

BUSINESS MAJOR: INTERNSHIP vs. COOP

Both an internship and a coop will fulfill the “internship requirement”, but what are differences?
Take a look and see what will work best for you and your unique situation.

	INTERNSHIP	CO-OP
Paid or Unpaid	UNPAID	PAID
Managed by	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business Department 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Career Services
Required Class- BUS 490	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must take BUS 490 <u>at the same time</u> as your internship • Karen Crowley in the Business Dept. will register you once she has approved your internship • You do not register online – you must sign a form in the Bus. Dept. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May take BUS 490 <u>within a year</u> of doing your internship • Karen Crowley in Business Dept. will register you once she has received paperwork that you are enrolled in a COOP. • You do not register online – you must sign a form in the Bus. Dept.
Credits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 credits received (3 for BUS 490 and 3 for internship) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 credits received for BUS 490 but NO academic credits for coop
Benefits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Usually Flexible hours • Part-time (16 hours per week) • Build your resume • Build your network 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full time (determined by employer) • Pre-professional experience • PAID!!! Real-world experience • Build your network
When do I do one?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spring, Summer or Fall Semester in conjunction with BUS 490 class 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spring, Summer, or Fall semester (when you can devote your time)
How long is it for? HOURS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be semester long • 16 hours per week (for 14 weeks = 224 required internship hours) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be semester long • Full time hours determined by employer
REQUIREMENTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must have 90 credits to take BUS 490 • Must have 2.5 GPA in order to take BUS 490 • The class of 2013 and beyond must have a GPA of 2.7 to apply for an internship 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be an enrolled full or part time student at ECSU • Must have completed 30 credits (15 which are from ECSU) • NO outstanding financial obligations due to ECSU • Have and maintain a GPA of 2.0 • Clear of any judicial proceedings for student misconduct
How do I get one?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business Department has list of approved internships (make an appointment with Karen Crowley) • Utilize Career Services • Find your own! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Utilize Career Services and search postings of COOPS (paid internships) on http://eastern.experience.com • Internhere.com and other online links • Find your own!
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