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Co-op Program in Healthcare – Fast Facts

Each year, the St. Michael's secondary school co-op program provides approximately 50 students with work experience in a variety of areas in the Hospital. The co-op program has three curricular goals: development of workplace skills, exploring new careers and understanding the modern healthcare environment.

Co-op Placements

Each co-op student is assigned to a “core placement” (this might be a clinic, a service area or a research area). Students will spend the majority of their co-op time in their core placement area performing the duties outlined in their placement role description. In addition, co-op students participate in modules designed to support the co-op curriculum including: tours of medical imaging and blood labs; educational sessions; and skills workshops. Students will be required to complete a series of assignments as well as a summary presentation at the end of their placement.

How to Apply

In order to participate, students must be at least 16 years of age, in Grade 11 – 12 and enrolled in their school's co-op education program. Co-op at St. Michael's is a single semester in duration (1/2 or full days). St. Michael's does not offer a full year co-op option. Interested students must submit the following through their co-op teacher:

- A completed co-operative education healthcare placement application, signed by the co-op teacher and the student.
- Completed Work Education Agreement.
- Two references and a resume.
- Credit Counselling Summary

Application Timeframe

Completed applications are reviewed on a continuous basis and in the order in which they are received. Applicants selected for an interview will be contacted to arrange their interview at the Hospital. Placement offers will be made on an ongoing basis.

The timeframe for selection (application review, interviews and placement offers) is:

- **Semester I** : mid-June to mid-September (*no applications will be accepted after the second Friday in September*)
- **Semester II** : early December to mid-January (*no applications will be accepted after the second last Friday in January*)

It is strongly encouraged that students apply early as placements are limited.

For More Information

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