THE CO-OP EXPERIENCE

“The knowledge and guidance I receive from engineers in the workplace is far different than what professors in a classroom impart. Combined, they provide the experience needed to stand out and be successful in my career.”

— Jay Gersten ’19
BS, Mechanical Engineering
Co-op: National Grid

SOME OF OUR CORPORATE PARTNERS

“The co-op gave me the chance to work in multiple disciplines of engineering. I’ve learned so much on the job and I’m so grateful to have had this experience before I graduated.”

— Susanna Planck-Kuney ’18
BS, Mechanical Engineering
Co-op: Lizardos Engineering

“The co-op program is an eye-opening experience that helps you decide what you want to do after graduation. It’s definitely worth it.”

— Frank Tricouros ’19
BS, Mechanical Engineering
Co-op: Oerlikon Metco

“I’m truly grateful for having experienced a co-op internship, especially with a prestigious company like Lockheed Martin. Not only did I gain valuable experience in a real-world work environment, but I made great connections as well.”

— Benjamin Weiss ’17
BS, Computer Engineering
Co-op: Lockheed Martin

CO-OP PROGRAM
Opportunity Through Experience

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CO-OP REQUIREMENTS

Student Qualifications:
- Minimum 2.75 GPA for undergraduate students
- Minimum 3.2 GPA for graduate students
- Undergraduate students must have completed first semester junior-level coursework
- International students may apply

Length of Employment:
- Minimum six months to a maximum of eight months
- Start dates: January and June

Wages, Work Hours, and Employee Benefits:
- Recommended wage is $20/hour
- Full-time employment during co-op term
- Companies must comply with all local and state labor laws

DEMATTEIS SCHOOL DEGREE PROGRAMS
- BA, Computer Science
- BA, Engineering Science
- BE, Engineering Science (Biomedical Option)
- BE, Engineering Science (Civil Option)
- BS, Bioengineering
- BS, Civil Engineering
- BS, Computer Engineering
- BS, Computer Science
- BS, Computer Science and Cybersecurity
- BS, Computer Science and Mathematics
- BS, Electrical Engineering
- BS, Electrical Engineering (Computer Option)
- BS, Industrial Engineering
- BS, Mechanical Engineering
- BA/MS, Computer Science
- BS/MS, Computer Science
- MS, Computer Science
- MS, Cybersecurity (Technology)
- MS, Engineering Management

ABOUT THE DEMATTEIS SCHOOL

- Undergraduate engineering program is ranked in the top 15% in the nation among 210 non-PhD-granting engineering schools by U.S. News & World Report, Best Colleges rankings, 2020.
- Since its establishment in 2012, the DeMatteis School has seen its undergraduate enrollment more than double to its current number of about 800 students.
- Approximately 4,000 alumni in industry, government, and academia.
- State-of-the-art research facilities in mechatronics, cell and tissue engineering, ultrasound in medicine, aerodynamics, construction materials, materials testing, and big data.

Corporate participation in the Co-op Program provides:
- A resource of energetic and talented students to supplement full-time staff.
- A process to evaluate and mentor future permanent employees.
- Opportunity to collaborate with the largest private college on Long Island.

Today, it is not unusual to find employers citing their inability to fill entry-level engineering positions with students who are entering the work force with real-world experience. The DeMatteis School of Engineering and Applied Science Co-op Program at Hofstra University maintains a long-term commitment to partner with the corporate community to address this growing need.

The DeMatteis Co-op Program provides students with an integrated educational and professional work experience. Participating students have the opportunity to secure a paid position with a company in a field related to their degree program.

The program also helps business leaders tap into the base of experienced young engineering and technology talent here on Long Island. We are currently working with approximately 200 firms and have successfully placed more than 125 students since we launched the co-op program five years ago.

We continue to work hard to build and improve our program, which is attracting top-ranked students and top-tier corporations looking to recruit DeMatteis graduates. Our long-term goal is to transform the DeMatteis Co-op into a nationally recognized program that contributes to Hofstra’s educational value proposition while meeting the needs of our corporate partners.