Student Information Session 2024/2025



For prospective Canada-Japan Co-op Program students



CO-OP PROGRAM



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About Us

We are a consortium of Canadian university and colleges that link some of the best undergraduate and graduate students in the arts, business, engineering, and science disciplines across Canada with highly committed Japanese organizations.

 We integrate an undergraduate/graduate student's academic studies in Canada with valuable work experience in a Japanese organization.

 We are open to universities and colleges nationally, and the Program office is at the University of British Columbia.



Vision

The Canada-Japan Co-op Program's vision is to be the best program for Canadian undergraduate and graduate students wishing to complete co-op work terms/internship in Japan and is currently the leading international co-op program for Japanese employers requiring experienced and pre-qualified students.

Mission

The Canada-Japan Co-op Program's mission is to provide top caliber Canadian undergraduate and graduate co-op students with high quality career-oriented work opportunities in Japan as well as to provide participating Japanese employers with Canadian undergraduate and graduate students who can make valuable contributions to their organizations.



Proven Program Track Record

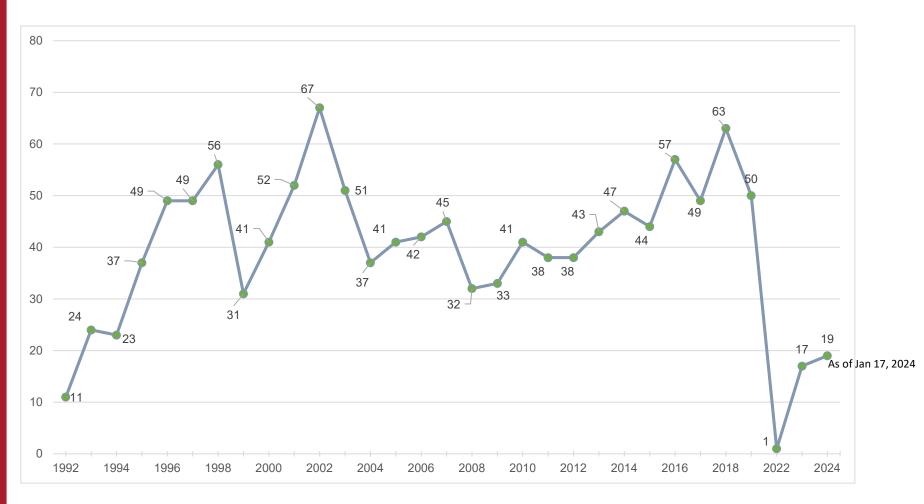
The Canada-Japan Co-op Program celebrated its 30th anniversary in 2022. We have seen over 1,200 students from across Canada in arts, business, engineering, science, and forestry academic programs participated in co-op work terms in Japan.



CJCP 30th Anniversary event at Canadian Embassy Tokyo in Oct 2023



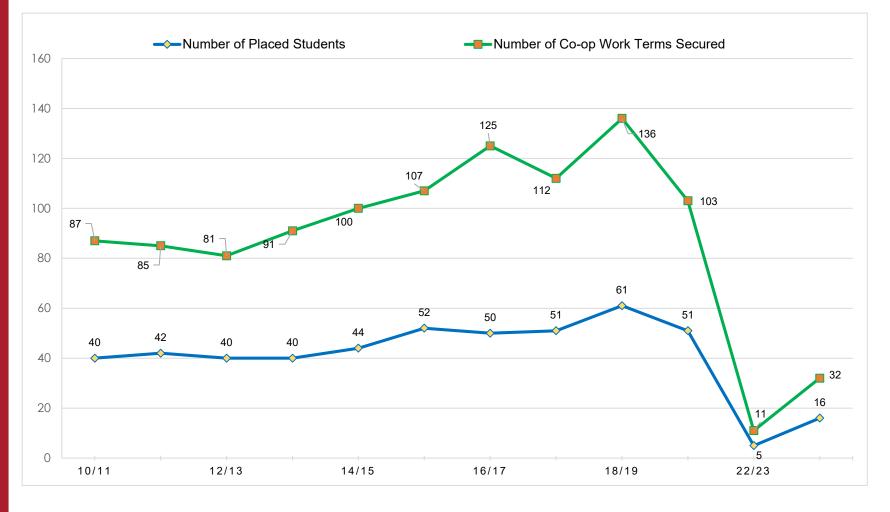
Placement History Statistics



NOTE: Placements in calendar year



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Note: Numbers of placements in fiscal year as of January 17, 2024



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Global Skills Opportunity



In 2023, CJCP was awarded a \$500,000 Global Skills Opportunity (GSO) grant from Universities Canada. The funding will be available for Canadians and Permanent Residents of Canada.

- In next 2 years, 53 additional students will be supported
- The funding offers more support for students who are Indigenous, have a disability, or are from a lowincome background
- Social Sciences, Humanities, Tourism, and Business disciplines, in additional to those from the STEM disciplines are encouraged to join CJCP.

Benefits for eligible co-op students

- 53 students are eligible to have \$ 130 Application Fee to the Program waived (firstcome, first-served)
- Up to \$10,000 each for EDI students* and up to \$5,000 each for other eligible students
- Travel costs and living expenses in Japan over the next two years to supplement stipends provided by the employers**

*Indigenous, low-Income, and students with disabilities

**some conditions apply

Educational Institutions Participation

throughout the course of the program's history *indicates current member institutions

British Columbia

- Simon Fraser University *
- The University of British Columbia *
- Thompson Rivers University *
- The University of Victoria
- British Columbia Institute of Technology
- North Island College

Alberta

- The University of Alberta *
- The University of Calgary

Saskatchewan

- The University of Regina
- The University of Saskatchewan

Manitoba

• The University of Manitoba

Quebec

- Ecole de Technologie Superieure *
- Polytechnique Montreal *
- Université de Sherbrooke *
- Concordia University
- McGill University

Ontario

- Algonquin College
- McMaster University
- Toronto Metropolitan University
- The University of Ottawa
- The University of Windsor
- The University of Waterloo
- The University of Toronto
- Queen's University
- The University of Ontario Institute of Technology

New Brunswick

- Université de Moncton *
- The University of New Brunswick

Nova Scotia

- Dalhousie University
- Acadia University
- Saint Mary's University
- Technical University of Nova Scotia

Newfoundland

• Memorial University of Newfoundland





Fields of Study

Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences

International Relations, Asian Studies and Language, Information management, etc.

Business and Tourism

International Business, Marketing, Business Administration, Tourism, etc.

Engineering

Mechanical, Electrical, Software, Materials, Computer, Chemical, Biomedical, etc.

Science

Computer Science, Chemistry, Physics, Biochemistry, Microbiology, etc.



Benefits of Participation



Gain valuable international work experience



Enhance student's value

to Canadian industries



Broaden student's

outlook and

perspective on

educational goals



Opportunity to travel and

learn another language

and culture

Who Can Apply to the Canada-Japan Co-op Program?



- Canadian/Permanent Resident/international students from a participating CJCP member institution
- ✓ Undergraduate/graduate Co-op students in CJCP member institution
- ✓ Have completed at least one co-op work term/Will do so prior to commencement of their work term in Japan
- Will have at least one full-time academic term to complete after your CJCP co-op work term
- Have/will complete at least one Japanese language course prior to departure Note: Students can apply if they agree to register and complete a Japanese course prior to departure For more details Japanese Language requirements -Prospective Students
- ✓ Agree to participate in the CJCP mandatory pre-departure training workshop
- ✓ Be flexible with the duration and type of work in Japan (preference given to students who can commit to 8-12 months)
- Possess a mature attitude and enthusiasm to work in Japan and learn more about Japanese culture



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CJCP Employer Expectations of Interns

"Although the internship is carried out primarily for international exchange, the reason for hosting interns varies from company to company. More or less, they expect the following:

- To facilitate internationalization and activation of the office;
- To establish and expand foreign networks;
- To interact with top young specialists and apply their talent and knowledge in an actual worksetting
- To examine interns as a possible candidate for future employers; and
- To make a social contribution, especially to academic education or international exchanges"





Key CJCP Student Attributes

- ✓ Strong academic/technical background
- ✓ Relevant prior co-op work experience(s)
- ✓ Knowledge of Japanese language and culture
- ✓ Ability to adapt and immerse into a new culture
- ✓ Maturity and self-confidence
- ✓ Perceived ability to handle new culture:
 - Previous international experience
 - Leadership experience
 - Community involvement
 - Outgoing personality





CJCP Jobs

in 2019/2020 (pre-COVID)

Engineering/Science



- Cell Culture Analysis
- Chemical Solution Monitoring
- Data Management
- Network System Evaluation
- Gas Quality Management
- Internet Routing & Communication Quality
- Locomotion Control in Robotics
- Multimodal Human-Machine Interaction
- Programming
- R&D

Business/Arts



- Digital Marketing Operation Support
- Global Market Analysis
- International Sales & Marketing



CJCP Employers

in 2019/2020

- Asahi Kasei
- Advanced Telecommunications Research Institute International (ATR)
- Azbil Corporation
- Dai Nippon Printing
- EMC Healthcare
- Institute of Innovation for Future Society, Nagoya University
- J. Morita
- JFE Steel
- KPMG Ignition
- National Institute for Materials Science

- Nippon Telegraph and Telephone (NTT)
- Osaka Gas
- Rakuten
- Smart Trade
- Taiheiyo Cement
- Taiyo Industrial
- Tokyo Gas
- Yamaha Motor



Financial Summary

Potential Co-op Earnings

\$ 1,423/month x 12 months salary\$ 8,300 company dorm/housing\$ 1,800 misc. expenses

Total Earning

\$27,176.00 CAD

Costs for 12 months (3 co-op work terms)

- \$ 130 Application Fee
- \$ 250 Pre-departure training workshop
- \$ 1,800 Average round-trip airfare
- \$ 2,514 Co-op tuition fee
- \$ 100 misc. expenses
- \$ 420 Insurance

Total Investment

\$5,214.00 CAD

* Subject to increase every school year as administered by UBC. Current fee for one co-op term at UBC is \$ 838.00.



Typical Work Term Conditions

Living allowance (per month): 70,000 – 205,000 JPY (net amount after deduction of any applicable taxes)

In addition to the living allowance, the company and/or student are responsible for the following items:

Items	Company pays	Student pays
Dormitory/Housing Fee	√	
Breakfast (at dorm)		√
Lunch		√
Dinner (at company dorm/housing)		√
Futon/bedding rental or purchase	√	
Electricity/Hydro charges	√	
Telephone/Internet chargers		√
Local commute	√	
Health insurance		√
Return airfare (Canada-Japan) *30% of companies offer all or half of airfare costs (optional)		√



2019/2020 Salary Average

Discipline	# of students	Avg. Salary (yen/month)
Business	1	150,000
Engineering	42	
Aerospace		152,000
Biomedical		150,000
Chemical		152,667
Civil		170,000
Computer		191,250
Electrical		142,543
Integrated		150,000
Industrial		100,000
Information Technology		150,000
Materials		98,933
Mechanical/Mechatronics		113,000
Software		176,250
Science	8	
Chemistry/Chemical Biology		125,000
Computer Science		180,000
Microbiology		160,000
TOTAL	51	147,835

Note: Numbers of placements in fiscal year April 2019-March 2020



CJCP Placements 2022-23 including Winter 2024

- ATR (Advanced Telecommunications Research Institute International): 1
- EMC Healthcare: 3
- KPMG Ignition Tokyo: 1
- NIMS (National Institute for Materials Science) : 1
- Honda Research Institute Japan: 2
- J. Morita: 1

- NTT (Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corporation): 6
- Pasona Group: 2
- Taiheiyo Cement: 2
- Taiyo Industrial: 1
 - Toagosei: 1



CJCP Student Locations

2022-2023 including W24





CJCP Placements 2024 to date

Summer 2024: 16 student placements (32 work terms)

- ATR (Advanced Telecommunications Research Institute International): 2
- Honda Research Institute Japan: 4
- JFE Steel: 1
- NTT (Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corporation): 6
- Rakuten: 3



What You Have To Look Forward To





Company Dormitory











Company Apartment









Work Uniform









Open Space Office









Activities Outside Work



Tea ceremony



Touch rugby



Kyudo (Japanese archery) practice



Edo Kiriko glass making workshop



Local festival



CJCP's Role

During work terms in Japan



Ongoing

communication

with students



On-site visits while co-op

is in progress



Resolution of difficulties with assistance of the Embassy of Canada and Consulate offices in Japan



Collection and evaluation of

work term reports and

employer evaluations



Evaluation of CJCP Work Terms

To gain credit for CJCP work terms

Students must submit

- A 10-page experiential report for release on CJCP's website
- Student performance review from supervisor
- Student evaluation for work term

A student must receive a satisfactory mark on their reports and a satisfactory employer evaluation to receive a passing grade for CJCP work term



Application Process

- 1. Check eligibility for your application to CJCP
- 2. Complete CJCP Online Application Form
- 3. Schedule a meeting with CJCP Liaison Officer at your home institution
- 4. Schedule an application intake interview and Japanese language assessment with CJCP staff
- 5. Access to CJCP job postings to apply
- 6. Have a job interview if shortlisted
- 7. Receive a job offer/ confirm acceptance of the job offer
- 8. Start visa application process
- 9. Attend the mandatory Pre-departure Training Workshop



CJCP Liaison Officers

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The Canada-Japan Co-op Program

www.thecoopjapanprogram.com

Undergraduate and graduate co-op students have the opportunity to gain valuable technical skills and experience a new culture and way of life at the same time.

An internship in Japan is a **life-changing experience**!

If you have any questions or require more information, please contact:

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