



Arkansas Cooperative Education Program in Business Scholarship

Program Description

The Arkansas Cooperative Education Program in Business Scholarship is designed to offer qualified business majors, between their junior and senior years, the opportunity to receive college credit while gaining valuable on-the-job experience in fields related to their academic majors. Students will participate in this program during the summer between their junior and senior years, working full time in a co-op eligible job in Arkansas; they will receive scholarship payments totaling \$2,000 during their senior year. Students are also able to earn 3 credit hours of junior/senior business elective credit through co-op.

Eligibility Requirements

- Must be at least a junior in the Sam M. Walton College of Business at the time of application (graduating in Fall 2010 or Spring 2011)
- Completed all pre-business core requirements
- Cumulative GPA of at least 2.8 at time of application and time of the scholarship award

Application Requirements – Students must submit the following:

1. Application form (see page 2)
2. Brief statement of interest detailing why you want to participate in this program (200 words max)
3. One letter of recommendation from a University of Arkansas faculty member
4. A copy of your resume

Frequently Asked Questions

Do I have to have a job or internship lined up to apply for the scholarship?

No. Students are not required to have a job at the time of application. If selected, students will then be responsible for finding a co-op eligible job or internship before summer. An eligible job must be full-time in Arkansas and must pertain to the student's major.

Do I have to enroll for co-op Credit?

No. Receiving co-op credit is optional for students participating during the summer. However, all students are required to complete the co-op written assignments (Learning Objectives, Employer Evaluation, Student Work Report and Paper), as well as write a thank you letter for the scholarship.

Aside from the scholarship, how do I benefit from the program?

Your co-op job could lead to full-time employment after graduation. If not, you will have two valuable selling points as you begin your job search:

1. You will be the recipient of a prestigious and very selective award.
2. You will have a higher level of work experience related to your academic major than many other graduates.

These two points alone will significantly strengthen your resume.

Will the scholarship be awarded to only one student?

No. There are a number of scholarships available each year.

How do I find a co-op job assignment if I'm not already employed?

You are expected to pursue employment opportunities on your own via on-campus recruiting, networking and through job advertisements. The Career Development Center can assist you in your search.



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Summer 2010 Application**

Name: _____

Honors? Yes No

Major: _____

Leadership Walton? Yes No

Graduation Date: _____

Student ID #: _____

E-mail: _____

GPA: _____

Phone: _____

Are you currently working at a co-op eligible job in Arkansas? Yes No

If yes, where? _____

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Signature _____ Date _____

All application materials must be submitted by Friday, November 20, 2009. Please submit the following to the Walton College Career Center, Willard J. Walker Hall 226:

1. This application form
2. A brief statement of interest detailing why you want to participate in this program (200 words max)
3. One letter of recommendation from a University of Arkansas faculty member
4. A copy of your resume

For more information about the Arkansas Cooperative Education Program in Business Scholarship contact:

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