"I think that Southeast Community College and the Parts Marketing & Management program are a perfect match for any parts retailer or wholesaler looking to add a new employee. The co-op quarter really gives an employer a good idea of what the student knows and their ability to learn more in the future. The instructors at SCC really do care about the student, and that is shown in the student's basic knowledge they have of the industry when graduating from the program."

Eric Bratrsovsky
Parts Manager
Performance Chrysler Jeep Dodge of Lincoln
Lincoln, NE

"I want to tell you how impressed we were with the professionalism and preparedness of the students from Southeast Community College's Office Professional program. They were able to integrate into our office environment quickly and efficiently, and their work ethic was outstanding. The level of skill possessed by the students was very impressive, and they quickly became an important part of our workflow processes. We will not hesitate to use the Cooperative Experience program at SCC whenever possible. The students from the Office Professional program are extremely well prepared to enter the business environment and contribute from the very beginning. The Office Professional program is yet another educational opportunity that SCC can truly be very proud of."

David Martin
Customer Service Manager
Exmark Mfg. Co., Inc.
Beatrice, NE

To List Job Openings

Employers interested in securing Cooperative Experience students may contact one of the SCC coordinators listed at
http://www.southeast.edu/programs/Coop.aspx

or you may list employment opportunities through the College's Placement Web site.

http://placement.southeast.edu

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Cooperative Experience

Southeast Community College students are highly sought-after, thanks in part to their participation in the Cooperative Experience program.

Cooperative Experience is a structured educational strategy integrating classroom studies with learning through productive work experiences in a field related to a student's academic or career goals. It provides progressive experiences in integrating theory and practice. Co-op is a partnership among students, SCC and employers, with specified responsibilities for each party.

Student objectives are established through mutual agreement by the student, the employer, and the Cooperative Experience Coordinator.

Students register for the Cooperative Experience course and earn college credit. The salary for Cooperative Experience is set by the employer and agreed upon by the student.

The course is designed for students who have completed specific courses in their Program of Study and have achieved a grade-point average of at least 2.0 on a scale of 4.0.

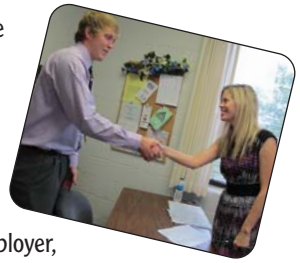
Coordinators work closely with employers and students to determine the optimum arrangement.

Cooperative Experience is ***paid employment****.*

Cooperative Experience Responsibilities

The Employer:

- Provide the student with training, supervision and work experiences related to career or academic goals.
- Help the student achieve his/her learning objectives with work experiences that include an appropriate learning environment and productive work.
- Evaluate the student's performance at designated time(s).
- Notify SCC of any changes made or needed in the Cooperative Experience training agreement.
- Compensate the student for the work performed.



The Student:

- Adhere to the policies of the employer, just as any other employee.
- Competently perform assigned work and complete agreed-upon objectives.
- Complete all necessary records for Cooperative Experience files.

The College:

- Recognize Cooperative Experience as an educational strategy integrating classroom learning and progressive work experiences, with a constructive academic relationship between teaching faculty and co-op faculty or administrators.
- Develop a structure for multiple work experiences in a formalized sequence, with study leading to degree completion of a Program of Study.
- Formally recognize the co-op experience on student records (e.g. grade, credit hours, part of degree requirement, notation on transcript, etc.).
- Provide pre-employment preparation for students, as well as ongoing advising.
- Maintain contact with the employer and the Cooperative Experience student during the term to ensure a successful experience.

Benefits To All

The program has excellent benefits to the employer, the student and the College. To that end, the Cooperative Experience is designed to develop or enhance a set of outcomes.

For the employer:

- Utilize well-prepared short-term employees while cutting recruiting and training costs.
- Provide real-world work experiences to students who are serious about learning and working and who have accumulated knowledge and classroom experience.
- Provide an opportunity to hire the student upon graduation.
- Enhance the partnership with SCC.
- Provide input on the quality and relevance of SCC's curriculum.

For the student:

- Increase confidence and positive self-image through a worthwhile on-the-job experience.
- Increased opportunity for employment after graduation.
- Understand the relationship between classroom theory and workplace practice.
- Fulfill the "experience required" stipulation associated with many job openings.
- Gain new or advanced skills.
- Develop a professional network.
- Help clarify career goals.
- Enhance interpersonal skills.
- Income to assist with college expenses or to support personal financial responsibilities.

For the College:

- Help in the recruitment of new students.
- Help retain current students.
- Provide wider range of learning opportunities for students.
- Enrich the program's curriculum.
- Enhance its reputation in the employment community.
- Improve the job placement rate of graduates.
- Enrich partnerships with business and industry.