



NEEDED: Industry Supervisors for Co-Op/Internship Programs

The Department of Biomedical Engineering is looking for industry professionals who would be willing to hire and supervise students in our Undergraduate Co-Op and/or Combined Degree Graduate Internship programs.

	Co-Op	Combined Degree Internship
Which students are eligible for the program?	Undergraduate, upper-division BME majors.	Students in the Combined BBmE/MS Degree Program.
What is the level and duration of employment?	Full-time employment for two consecutive semesters, typically fall and spring.	Part-time employment (approximately 10-12 hours per week for a 3-credit internship) during the semester(s) of the internship.
Am I expected to pay students hired in these programs?	Yes.	No, but employers who want to pay Combined Degree interns are free to do so.
Are students in these programs taking additional coursework during their employment?	No, Co-Op students are only registered for Co-Op credits and would not be taking any other coursework.	Yes, Combined Degree interns will be taking an additional 10-15 academic course credits along with their internship credits.
How is IP handled?	Since the student is an employee of the company during the co-op period, any IP involved is treated according to company policy.	Since the student is enrolled during the internship period, any IP developed by the student is subject to the Regents Commercialization of IP Policy (the IP belongs to the University). If the invention occurs at the company under a company NDA or employment agreement, then the company might be expected to claim partial ownership.
Where can I find more information about these programs?	Email bmedus@umn.edu	http://bme.umn.edu/grad/combined.html
Who can I contact if I still have questions?	Ashlee Haluptzok, Undergraduate Program Coordinator (bmedus@umn.edu)	Rachel Jorgenson, Graduate Program Coordinator (bmengp@umn.edu)
I have a position available for a student. How do I advertise it?	Contact the Career Center for Science and Engineering (http://ccse.umn.edu) for information about posting positions, conducting on- or off-campus interviews, career fairs, and more!	
How do these programs benefit the company/supervisor?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The programs provide valuable experience to BME students while company tasks and initiatives are completed. • Companies have the opportunity to screen and ultimately recruit graduating students. • Supervisors gain personal and professional growth by working with future engineers. 	