Chemical engineering uses the basic principles of chemistry, math, physics, biology and economics to design, operate and troubleshoot processes used to manufacture materials, develop energy sources and create new products from the nanoscale to automobiles. By taking on grand challenges, such as developing access to clean and sustainable energy, providing communities with clean and reliable water, or improving the yield and reliability of the agricultural sector, chemical engineers continue to play a vital role in the development and growth of society.

Potential Employers
- Apotex Inc.
- Bunge
- Canadian Natural Resources Ltd.
- Collins Aerospace
- Enbridge Gas
- Gerrie Electric
- PepsiCo
- Sanofi Pasteur
- Stelco
- TC Energy
- Toyota Canada

Potential Careers
- Biotech Lab Assistant
- Critical Utilities and Systems Co-op
- Environmental Engineer
- Innovation & Decision Optimization Student
- Manufacturing Engineer
- Materials and Process Engineer
- Supply Chain Co-op

Average Salary
All work term opportunities must be compensated by your employer. Compensation for work terms varies widely depending on your employer, industry of employment, program of study, year of study, and prior work experience.

In 2022/2023, the average hourly wage for undergraduate co-op students was $23.00 per hour. The wage range for students was between $16.00 to $60.00 per hour.

How Do Employers Get Involved On Campus?
- Engineering Networking Nights
- Hosting Career Development Workshops
- Involving in organizing capstone projects, hackathons, or research projects
- McMaster Career Fair
- Posting positions on Oscarplus
  (Job Board)
Engineering Co-op & Career Services (ECCS) connects students with employers, offers career development tools and resources, and provides opportunities for students to gain employment experience.

We understand that every student is different; your career journey is shaped by the many experiences you have. Engineering Co-op & Career Services is here to prepare you for your future. Our approach allows you to have the flexibility to make your own decisions and choices, with the support of our team and subject-matter experts. We are here to guide, support, coach and offer expertise, resources and options.

Our program is optional, flexible and accessible for all.
- Co-op is available in all degree options.
- A minimum of 12 months of relevant work experience is required to receive the co-op designation on your degree.
- For maximum flexibility, options include:
  - 4-month summer work-terms.
  - 8-month to 16-month continuous a-terms

**Career Support & Skill Development**

From career support to skill development, ECCS offers a wide range of services available to all students registered in the Faculty of Engineering. We believe in integrating our services and taking an educative approach to ensure our students get the best out of our services:
- Employment Preparation and Career Readiness
- Career Educators for each program
- 1:1 appointments and job search support
- Professional & career development workshops
- On-the-job check-ins and work term reflections
- Emphasis on the lifelong process, skill development, and professional growth

**Companies**

Faculty of Engineering co-op students undertake work terms with leading companies across the globe, including:

- Aecon Group Inc.
- AcelorMittal Dofasco
- BlackBerry
- Celestica
- Chrysler
- CIBC
- Corporation Maple Leaf Foods
- Ford Canada
- GE Canada
- General Motors
- Generation
- John Deere
- Rockwell Automation
- Stackpole International
- Stem Cell Technologies

**Statistics**

- McMaster Engineering is the second largest co-op program in Ontario, Canada.
- In 2022/2023, over 2500 undergraduate and graduate students completed over 4000 co-op work terms across the globe.

Need more info? Visit our website!

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