## **HOW TO WRITE AN EFFECTIVE COVER LETTER**

- Review the job description and highlight the key skills required.
- Review your skills and select the examples that best showcase your specific experience relating to the needed skillset.
- Combine the challenge, action, and result into 2-3 sentences clearly explaining what you did, how you did it, and what the result was.

Paragraph 1		Paragraph 2		
•	WOW the reader!	•	What are you studying?	
•	Why do you want to work for the company?	•	What are current courses you are taking?	
•	How will you provide value to the company?	•	What are current projects you are working on?	
•	Introduce yourself and where you found the job	•	Previous education (college or undergrad)	
•	Co-op availability	•	Demonstrate your technical skills related to the job	
Paragraph 3		Paragraph 4		
•	What are your past experiences?	•	Reiterate your interest in the role (be specific and	
•	Employment, clubs, projects, volunteer		always double check that you've listed the correct	
	opportunities		company)	
•	Demonstrate your soft skills that relate to the job	•	Include your email address and phone number	
		•	Thank the reader for their time	
Note: Paragraphs 2 & 3 are interchangeable		•	Be confident!	



