

DSCI 4800 – Cooperative Education Fall 2025

“What I cannot create, I do not understand.”
Richard Feynman

Course Information

Course: DSCI 4800.711
Course Name: Cooperative Education
Class Location: -

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Course Description

Supervised work in a job related to student's career objective.

Communication with students and supervisor throughout the semester depend on the correct information being available in [Handshake](#). Assuring the information is correct is the student's responsibility. If information is not up-to-date and reports or assignments are not completed it may result in an incomplete or non-pass.

Finding an Internship

Many employers are looking for students to complete internships. Check out some of the currently available positions [here](#), and filter the list by the College of Business. A complete list of current internship opportunities is available in [Handshake](#). After you log in to Handshake, you can filter for internships based on your interest, major, and skills.

Objectives

Your internship should be used to gain valuable work experience and increase your knowledge in the field of your major. You are a Business Analytics major, and your experience should give you the professional confidence to discuss your skills, knowledge, viewpoints, and inspirations in your full-time job interviews. You will not only learn new business analytics or data skills, but also have the opportunity to reflect on your overall experience and how you will apply those new behaviors moving forward in your career.

Final Presentation

At the end of the course, you need to prepare and present a short presentation for me. This consists of the 3-5 most important things you learned from the internship. It will answer the question “what were the most important things you learned?” You should focus not only on technical skills, but interpersonal and communications skills, organizational politics, how to work effectively on a team, how to supervise other’s work, and other skills. You also need to explain how you will apply those skills in your career going forward. The presentation is due one week before the end of the term in which you are enrolled.