

# **SRNS Cooperative Education Program Overview**

The SRNS Cooperative Education Program (Co-op Program) provides opportunities for students attending four-year universities to alternate semesters of academic study with semesters of paid, careerrelated, learning experiences. The goal of the cooperative education program is to help bridge the gap between academic study and its application in professional practice.

Each student's co-op experience is monitored both by the SRNS Co-op Office and university faculty to ensure learning. Cooperative Education, as the term implies, represents a partnership among the university, students, and SRNS.

Participation in the SRNS Co-op Program gives students the opportunity to apply what they have learned in the classroom and to learn material not yet covered. This can enhance your academic performance and give you a competitive edge when seeking full-time employment upon graduation.

#### Participation in the Co-op Program gives you the chance to:

- Apply classroom learning in a work setting and gain on-the-job experience
- Enhance your academic performance through increased understanding
- Realistically confirm your choice of major and career
- Strengthen your level of maturity, confidence and sense of responsibility
- Earn funds to help finance your education
- Increase your understanding of human relations and business operations
- Begin building a network of professionals in your field

# **Eligibility for the Co-op Program:**

- Must be a U.S. Citizen
- Must have completed 24 credit hours prior to first co-op rotation
- Must have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or above (verified by most recent official transcript)
- Must maintain full-time status at an accredited 4-year college/university
- Must be able to successfully complete General Employee Training (GET) and Substance Abuse Processing (SAP)

### **Disciplines:**

- Physical sciences
- Life sciences
- Engineering
- Environmental
- Computer science
- Mathematics
- Business
- Liberal arts

# **Co-op Benefits:**

- Limited Service Employee (LSE) of SRNS
- Paid salary
- Receive credit for prior site service if you obtain full-time employment
- Workers Compensation and Liability

# **How to Apply for Co-op positions:**

To apply for Co-op positions with SRNS go to https://sjobs.brassring.com/1033/ASP/TG/cim\_home.asp?partnerid=25264&siteid=5439

To participate in the SRNS Co-op Program you will need to register with the Cooperative Education office at your college/university.

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