

Jacobs School of Engineering Cooperative Education (Co-op) Pilot Program Details

Students who participate in the Jacobs School of Engineering Cooperative Education (Co-op) Program are expected to work full-time (30-40 hours per week) for the duration of their Co-op experience (Summer - Fall Quarter). Participating departments include: Computer Science & Engineering, Electrical & Computer Engineering, Mechanical & Aerospace Engineering, NanoEngineering, and Structural Engineering.

We strongly encourage students participating in the Co-op to register as either part-time or full-time students for Fall Quarter, and take their department’s internship course.

Students who decide not to enroll full-time in Fall Quarter should carefully consider impacts to anything that may depend on them being a full-time student, such as, but not limited to: financial aid, health insurance, student housing, etc. Students who enroll as either part-time or full-time students are subject to all normal timelines, payments, and policy requirements for the classes in which they are enrolled. Students who choose not to enroll in classes for Fall Quarter will not be considered a UC San Diego student for that quarter. Please see the chart below for more information.

Special considerations apply for international students, as described below. International students should consult with an international student advisor at the International Students & Programs Office (ISPO) as soon as possible before applying for Co-op positions.

Fall Enrollment options for Domestic Students participating in the Co-op Pilot

	Part-time Status (1-10 units)	Not Enrolled
Enrollment Options	<p>Students may elect to enroll in their academic department’s internship course, and elect the number of units for the course, if applicable.</p> <p>It is recommended that students take a minimum of 6 units. Students may accomplish this through the internship course and classes that fit within their work schedule (i.e. early morning, evening or remote classes).</p>	<p>Students may elect not to enroll for classes in Fall Quarter if they were enrolled in Spring Quarter.</p>
Approval for enrollment status	<p>Complete and submit the Part-time Study Application.</p>	<p>No application required. Students will remain in good standing, and will be invited to register for Winter Quarter classes as usual if they were enrolled in Spring Quarter.</p> <p>It is recommended that students inform their college advisor that they are not planning to enroll in classes for Fall Quarter.</p>

Tuition and Fees	Once approved for part-time status, students will be billed for one-half tuition and full fees.	Students will not be billed for tuition or fees.
Financial Aid and Scholarships	<p>Students who are enrolled in any number of units may be eligible for Pell Grant. Students enrolled in 6 or more units and are approved for part-time status may be eligible for a portion of other University and State grants, as well as Federal Loans</p> <p>Consult with the Financial Aid and Scholarships Office on how individual financial aid packages may be reduced to reflect part-time status.</p>	<p>Students will not receive aid for Fall Quarter if not enrolled.</p> <p>Students must notify the Financial Aid and Scholarships Office if they are not enrolling in classes, or aid may be cancelled for the remainder of the year.</p>
<p>Federal Student Loan Deferment and 6-month Grace Period</p> <p>Student loan payments are in deferment while students are enrolled in the university. Students typically have a 6-month grace period from the time they graduate until the first student loan payment is due.</p>	Students who are enrolled with 6 units or more will have no impact on their student loan deferment or the grace period.	If students are not enrolled for six consecutive months, they may exhaust the one-time grace period and receive a loan repayment bill. It is important to pay the bill on time to avoid delinquency and default. Once students are re-enrolled for winter quarter, loans will go back into deferment until graduation or until the student ceases to maintain half-time enrollment.
Health Insurance and Student Health Services	Students have access to Student Health Services and Counseling and Psychological Services. Enrollment in the UC Student Health Insurance Plan is automatic unless the student has an approved Health Fee Waiver for the quarter.	Students are not eligible for UC San Diego Health Insurance Plan and do not have access to Student Health Services or Counseling and Psychological Services providers.
Other Student Services (RIMAC, Library, etc.)	Students are eligible for all student services paid for by the student services fee.	Students are not eligible for student services paid for by the student services fee.
On-Campus Housing	Students are eligible for on-campus housing.	Students are not eligible for on-campus housing.

Summer Enrollment options for Domestic Students participating in the Co-op Pilot

	Enrolled	Not Enrolled
Enrollment options	Students may take summer session courses to stay on track for graduation.	Students can choose not to enroll in the summer session.
Approval for enrollment status	No approval required	No approval required
Tuition and fees	Students pay summer session tuition and fees.	Students will not be billed for tuition and fees.
Financial Aid and Scholarships	Students may be eligible for Pell grants, Federal Loans and campus financial aid. Students should complete the UC San Diego summer financial aid request form.	Students are not eligible for aid while not enrolled.
Federal Student Loan Deferment and 6-month Grace Period Student loan payments are in deferment while students are enrolled in the university. Students typically have a 6-month grace period from the time they graduate until the first student loan payment is due.	Summer enrollment generally does not impact loan deferments, assuming students were enrolled in 6 or more units during the term immediately preceding summer.	If students are not enrolled for six consecutive months, they may receive a loan repayment bill. It is important to pay the bill on time to avoid delinquency and default. Once students are re-enrolled for a given term, loans will go back into deferment until graduation or until the student ceases to maintain half-time enrollment.
Health Insurance and Student Health Services	Students who registered for Spring 2019 have access to Student Health Services. Students who were enrolled in the UCSHIP for Spring 2019 have continued coverage through the summer.	Students who registered for Spring 2019 have access to Student Health Services. Students who were enrolled in the UCSHIP for Spring 2019 have continued coverage through the summer.
Other Student Services (RIMAC, Library, etc.)	Students are eligible for all student services paid for by the student services fee.	Students are not eligible for student services paid for by the student services fee.
On-Campus Housing	Students are eligible for on-campus housing.	Students are not eligible for on-campus housing.

International Students

International students, who would like to participate in the Co-op, are required to meet with an international student advisor at the International Students & Programs Office prior to applying for any Co-op positions. This includes discussing the appropriate course(s) to maintain full-time enrollment during each quarter, obtaining required employment authorization, and how to maintain immigration status during the Co-op period. For example, per F-1/J-1 federal regulations, students will be required to receive employment authorization and will need to remain enrolled during the Summer Session and Fall Quarter.

Summer Session: Students will need to enroll in their academic department's internship course during the Summer Session to be eligible for employment authorization over the summer. The student may enroll less than full-time (less than 6 units in S1, S2 or S3) as long as the employment is within the summer course program dates.

Fall Quarter: Students must enroll in a total of 12 units during Fall Quarter to maintain their visa status during the Fall Quarter. Students must enroll in their academic department's internship course. Certain internship courses may be taken for up to 12 units to achieve full-time student status. Others may have to achieve this through remote, early morning, or evening courses.

Once a job offer is received, students will have to apply for a Social Security Card, and will be expected to pay and file U.S. income taxes accordingly. Please meet with an international student advisor to facilitate these additional requirements.

Contact Information for Additional Questions

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Structural Engineering (SE): se-sa@eng.ucsd.edu

Financial Aid and Scholarships Office: finaid@ucsd.edu

Registrar Office: registrar@ucsd.edu

International Students & Programs Office (ISPO): istudents@ucsd.edu

Summer Session: summer@ucsd.edu

College advising: Virtual Advising Centers (VACs) – <http://vac.ucsd.edu>