Bachelor of Bio-Resource Management

Food Industry Management

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Food Industry Management co-op major bridges food science and business. Combining business practice and industry and market analysis with the science of food safety, processing and food composition. Food industry management graduates ensure the success of food businesses.

Professionals in food industry management have broad career options with the ability to focus on either the processing or business side of the industry. They understand the impact of changing a single ingredient on both a product’s flavour and the company’s bottom line. This program is offered and administered by both the Department of Food Science and the Department of Food, Agricultural and Resource Economics. *New for Fall 2018, the Food Industry Management major is pending approval by the Ontario Universities Council on Quality Assurance and the Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Development

WHY CO-OP?

As a co-op student, you will gain relevant work experience, build professional networks, and develop essential interpersonal skills needed to succeed in the workplace, all while getting paid and earning your university degree. Guelph’s co-op program is unique due to the exceptional level of support provided, including a co-op preparatory course, and a personal connection with Co-op Coordinators to assist you during the employment process, and access to senior student mentors.

COURSE SEQUENCING

In the Food Industry Management co-op program, you will participate in three or four co-op work terms in addition to eight academic semesters throughout your five years at the University of Guelph.

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SAMPLE JOBS

There is a diverse selection of jobs made available to Food Industry Management co-op students, in government, academia, and the private sector. Students may conduct research, participate in literature searches, assist in data collection and analysis, and/or may formulate, prepare, and analyze food samples. Students may work in a laboratory, on a production or manufacturing floor, or in an office setting. Below are some examples of positions that may be held by Food Industry Management co-op students.

Quality Assurance Co-op Student

Students will be responsible for recommending and implementing changes within the production process to improve internal controls and departmental efficiencies, work with Quality Manager & Quality Systems Supervisor to develop methods and SOPs for the plant operations & cleaning practices, and provide compliance reports.

Junior Project Analyst

Gain hands-on knowledge as to how the provincial government functions, including exposure to finance, program design and delivery, measurement and analysis, and individual ministry decision-making processes. This includes analyzing business proposals, reconciling financial data, and developing communications materials.

Research & Development Intern

In this role, students will assist the R&D Manager in product development, developing specifications for all new and enhanced ingredients, products and packaging, conduct plant trials and first productions and subsequent formal product evaluations. Student will also develop specifications for all new and enhanced ingredients, products and packaging.

Additional Sample Jobs: Oilseed Marketing Co-op Student, Sensory Assistant, Technical Support Associate, Assistant

SAMPLE EMPLOYERS*

- Maple Leaf Foods
- Canadian Food Inspection Agency
- Bunge Canada
- Mondelez International
- Agricorp
- Canadian Mist Distillers
- RBC

*Sample co-op employer list only. Employers will vary depending on recruitment needs. During a job search, students are encouraged to be actively engaged and are also supported in establishing and maintaining their own personal contacts.

SALARY INFORMATION

Average Weekly Salary Range: $525 - $700*

*Salary ranges shown as rates before deductions. Statistics are based on jobs held by co-op students in similar programs in 2017/2018. These ranges may fluctuate on an annual basis in response to economic conditions.