

# WIL Quarterly

Work-Integrated Learning

## MacEwan University Students Available for WIL!

Connect with emerging HR talent through our Fall 2025 course-based and placement WIL opportunities. Our HR students can work on your projects in a way that align with your needs.

**For a WIL Placement:** This can be 90-120 hours and is unpaid. If you'd like them to work with you for longer, the placement will need to be paid.

**For a class WIL Project:** Students will communicate with you throughout the semester to put together a solution for your needs. This is unpaid.

**For co-op:** We also have HR students who can work full-time for 4-12 months starting in the fall semester in a paid position. Contact Lee Iverson at [wil@macewan.ca](mailto:wil@macewan.ca) for more information.

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## Making Work-Integrated Learning More Accessible for Students with Disabilities

During National Accessibility Week, the Business + Higher Education Roundtable (BHER) released a new work-integrated learning (WIL) resource, developed in partnership with eCampusOntario. \

Accessible WIL: A Roadmap for Accessible Work-Integrated Learning is a practical guide for employers and post-secondaries who want to make WIL experiences more inclusive and equitable for students with disabilities.

The Roadmap includes:

- Insights into how students with disabilities navigate WIL
- Common barriers at each stage of the WIL journey
- Actionable recommendations at the individual, institutional, and systems level
- Tools, assessments, and resources you can use right away

Informed by the latest research and lived experiences, this resource can be used by HR professionals to create more inclusive recruitment, onboarding, and retention processes for all. The resource is not only for Ontario. For HR professionals in Alberta in particular, the environmental scan and comparison of international, national, and provincial accessibility policies can be helpful to guide your own organization's strategies.

You can also explore the Roadmap interactively through [eCampusOntario's new custom GPT-powered tool](#)

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## TalentED YYC Pilot Project Concluded on March 31, 2025

Over the past two years, TalentEd connected with over 1500 local employers and generated over 3200 student opportunities, creating an estimated impact of \$16M for our local economy. Despite the ending of the pilot project and service to employers, we are ensuring employers have access to the supports they need to continue working with students.

Resources that will be available to you through our website for the next six months, include:

1. [Funding information](#) to determine which funding pathways are best suited to your organization's needs
2. [Work integrated learning catalogue](#) to explore different ways to bring in students from across 400 programs in Calgary in both paid and unpaid capacities
3. [Various resources](#) to create work integrated learning placements, including job templates and onboarding guides

Finally, thank you for working with our team. It has been a privilege to learn about your organization, explore ways to support your business growth through student talent, and connect you with resources and students in our city. Calgary Economic Development is committed to continuing to support businesses to grow in our city, building a strong community and growing economic prosperity for everyone. Calgary Economic Development's [business services](#) include:

- Trade and export support, including participating in the [Trade Accelerator Program](#)
- Real estate and site selection within the Calgary region
- Talent and workforce support including immigration, career fairs, Calgary service provider pathfinding
- Calgary economic and workforce data

The team at Calgary Economic Development looks forward to potentially connecting again in the future to support your business growth through our various programs and initiatives as they continue to evolve. To learn more about these services, please reach out to Chelsea Hallick, Director of Business Development ([chhallick@calgaryeconomicdevelopment.com](mailto:chhallick@calgaryeconomicdevelopment.com)) or 587-580-7493)

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**If you have questions about WIL, Resources or Events, please contact:**

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