## Update to Fall 2020 Commerce Students without a Secured Work Term

## Good day,

Given the ongoing concerns surrounding COVID-19, we are contacting you today concerning your Fall 2020 Work Term. As the Director of Management Career Services and as a Career Practitioner, I know that times are challenging for student employment. As such, I would like to provide you with some information regarding Fall work terms. Firstly, I would like to note that no student's academic progression will be delayed due to situations that are beyond their control.

In addition, after careful consideration with our national accrediting body, I can confirm that work terms of a minimum of eight weeks duration will be considered for approval for the Fall 2020 term. This means that:

- Bachelor of Commerce students **scheduled** for a Fall 2020 work term that have not yet secured work term employment will have a longer time to search for a work term.
- Approved work terms must still be full-time (35 hours per week) and the job content must be relevant to the study of business.
- An 8-week work term would need to begin no later than October 26th.

As the summer academic term will conclude shortly, you will soon have more time to spend on your job search. All students who have yet to secure a work term are **strongly recommended** to engage with their assigned Career and Recruitment (CRS) as soon as possible to discuss their work term job search strategy.

Currently, there are 26 postings on myCareer representing 40 positions, and new postings will be added as they come in. If you are self-developing a job, please note your Career and Recruitment Specialist can connect your potential employer with our Employer Development team to discuss funding options if needed. **Self-developed jobs should be submitted as soon as possible to ensure they meet co-op requirements.** 

Management Career Services will continue to keep you informed of updates relating to your Fall 2020 work term. Please continue to check your Dalhousie email address regularly for further updates, as well as our website at <a href="https://www.dal.ca/faculty/management/management-career-services/covid-19-updates.html">https://www.dal.ca/faculty/management/management-career-services/covid-19-updates.html</a>.

Sincerely,

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