EDUC 391 Cooperative Work Experience  
(Variable credit, 4-8 semester hours)  
Information Sheet

The cooperative work experience is a paid, supervised work experience in business or industry in the student’s career/technical teaching specialty. The student will be required to create a portfolio containing work-related documents. During the semester you are enrolled for EDU 391, the FSU Faculty Student Supervisor will visit your work experience site and discuss your progress.

Work Experience Guidelines:

The work experience should allow the student to:

1. Acquire and/or update skills/competencies
2. Apply and critique (analyze) theoretical concepts/ideas

Cooperative Work Experience Approval Process:

1. Complete the Cooperative Work Experience Application. Meet with the Vocational Authorization Officer to turn in application and discuss and insure proposed work experience is in line with state requirements.

2. Return completed and signed Employer/Student Agreement to the Vocational Authorization Officer for approval of experience goals.

3. Upon approval of the Employer/Student Agreement by the Vocational Authorization Officer, the student will contact the FSU Faculty Student Supervisor, register for EDUC 391 and begin work.

Work Experience Evaluation:

The final grade for EDUC 391 will be based on the following:

a. achievement of learning objectives  
b. quality of work logs and journal  
c. evaluations by employer supervisor, or designee.  
d. evaluation by FSU Faculty Student Supervisor  
e. over-all quality of portfolio materials.
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Cooperative Work Experience Application

Date:___________________

Name:_______________________________________ Social Security #:__________________

Address:______________________________________________________________________

    Street    City    State    Zip

Phone Number: (______)____________________ E-Mail Address:_______________________

Major:_________________________________ Minor:_________________________________

Semester Requesting internship:   Fall ________    Winter ________    Summer ________

Year Year Year

Present Employer:____________________________ Supervisor’s Name___________________

If Any Company/Agency Name

Employer Address:______________________________________________________________

    Street    City    State    Zip

Phone Number: (______)____________________ E-Mail Address:_______________________

List potential Work Experience site(s), including business addresses, phone numbers and e-mail:

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Describe the goals and learning objectives that you expect to complete during your internship: (to be negotiated with Vocational Authorization Officer)

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Student
Signature:______________________________________Date:___________________________

Vocational Authorization Officer____________________Date:___________________________

Number of credits:________________________________Semester:_______________________

Return this application to:

Vocational Authorization Officer
Ferris State University
School of Education – Bishop 409
1349 Cramer Circle
Big Rapids, MI 49307

Phone: 231/ 591-2830
Fax: 231/ 591-2041
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Cooperative Work Experience Packet

This packet contains the forms you will need for your internship:

1. Cooperative Work Experience Information Sheet
2. Cooperative Work Experience Application
3. Employer/Student Agreement
4. Sample Work Log
5. Work Experience Evaluation

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