



WORK LEARN | WINTER 2021



Work Learn students attending a Resume, Cover Letter, and Interview Workshop

Unit/Department:

[Biochemistry and Molecular Biology- Faculty of Medicine](#)

Position Title:

BMB EDI Work Learn

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What are some accomplishments you are proud of from this term?

"A lot of things we are studying in class are based on theory and slides but in the lab but I have the opportunity to run those same experiments that I have learned about in class."

"I'm proud of being more independent in the lab and asking lots of questions."

"This job helped my personal growth because I got to know many people who are advanced in their careers, and they gave me more insights on parts of the job I didn't know about. I didn't know what I wanted to do but now I feel more confident because I've been around the professional side of the job."

How has this work changed your thinking about your career goals?

"Being around so many grad students, I was able to get insights from them about what their day to day looks like. I also learned that people do find balance- that was a big shock to me!"

"Working in the lab I realized that I actually like working with my hands and doing work that involves more creativity. That is something I didn't really consider in a job before."

What does someone thinking about applying to Work Learn need to know?

"There is a lot of independence in these roles and Work Learn runs during the academic year and the summer."

"Your supervisors know you are also in school while working, so don't feel like a job will take over your life."

"This Work Learn is really about managing your own time, you manage your schedule but at the same time your supervisors are trying to help you learn."