The Cooperative Work Experience program is designed for students to gain realistic learning through work-specific experiences.

Individual contracts are developed for each student specific to their work assignment. The contract includes course objectives developed in conjunction with the student, the employer, and the assigned college instructor of record.

The contract and student evaluation processes assure that students’ on-the-job learning experiences are documented with written measurable learning objectives. Students are required to meet certain criteria and are evaluated, and the basis for awarding grades and credit is described.

Student records are maintained by the college and include the type and units of work experience in which student is enrolled, where employed, job held, basis for determining student qualifications, statement of student hours worked, evaluation of performance, and if applicable, that a work permit was issued.

Supervising faculty must maintain records that show consultation with the employer and the student, evaluation of the student’s achievement, and the final grade.