



*Work  
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### Cooperative Work Experience Education

Bakersfield College, in cooperation with business, industry, government and the community, makes it possible for students to earn elective credit toward a degree and/or certificate through employment experience. The college may grant credit to a student in an amount not to exceed four units per semester for part-time occupational work experience or three units per semester for general work experience under the Parallel Plan. Under the Alternate Plan, the college may grant to a student an amount of eight units per semester for full-time employment. Full-time and part-time summer work experience can also qualify for credit. Work experience may count toward graduation in disciplines. Contact the chair of the appropriate department for further information.

### Types of Cooperative Work Experience Education

- A. General Work Experience Education (WEXP B250ab) is supervised employment of students. It is intended to assist them in acquiring desirable work habits, career awareness and positive job attitudes. The jobs held by students need not be related to their occupational goals or college program. Contact the Director of Cooperative Work Experience Education or a counselor for more information.
- B. An Internship or Occupational Work Experience Education (WEXP B248ab and B249ab) is the extension of classroom occupational learning opportunities and career awareness into employment related to the student's major or occupational goal. Work Experience credit may be transferable to many colleges and universities. Contact the Director of Cooperative Work Experience Education or a counselor for specific information.

### COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

The following abbreviations are commonly used in the course descriptions: **lect** lecture; **lab** laboratory; **demo** demonstration; **Repeat** repeatability (see policy on course repetition); **CCS** Course Classification System. Hours given in parentheses are total hours for the course. Hours lecture, lab, etc., are hours required per week usually. **Offered:** F=course is offered fall semester; S=course is offered spring semester; SS=course is offered summer session. If there is no designation, the course is offered irregularly. Check with the department for information. Many classes are offered occasionally during the summer. Check the summer class schedule for additional course listings. Prerequisites are expressed as minimum requirements. (CSU) indicates transferable to California State Universities; (UC) indicates transferable to University of California.

### WORK EXPERIENCE

*Credit limitations may apply. For specific information see a counselor or the transfer institution.*

#### WEXP B248ab Cooperative Work Experience Education (1-8 units. Limit 16 units)

College credit for learning experiences obtained on the job in accordance with a training plan developed cooperatively between the employer, college, and student. Major or occupational goal must be job related. **Prerequisites:** Declared major or occupational goal and evaluation by Work Experience Director of student's qualifications and objectives.

**Hours:** B248a: 75 hours per semester, per credit unit at a paid job; B248b: 60 hours per semester credit unit at a non-paid job. **Offered:** F, S, SS. **Repeat:** 3. Limit of 16 units. **CCS:** Occupational Education. **Transferable:** CSU and private colleges.

#### WEXP B249ab Cooperative Work Experience Education (1-4 units. Limit 16 units)

College credit for learning experiences obtained on the job in accordance with a training plan developed cooperatively between the employer, college and student. **Prerequisites:**

Declared major or occupational goal, concurrent enrollment in seven or more units (including CWEE units, except summer school) and evaluation by Work Experience Director of student's qualifications and objectives. **Hours:** B249a: 75 hours per semester, per credit unit at a paid job; B249b: 60 hours per semester credit unit at a non-paid job. **Offered:** F, S, SS. **Repeat:** 3. Limit of 16 units. **CCS:** Occupational Education. **Transferable:** CSU and private colleges.

#### WEXP B250ab General Work Experience Education (1-3 units. Limit 6 units)

Offers students an opportunity to combine a planned occupational program with progressive on-the-job experience (OJT) and practical learning experiences in the world of work.

**Prerequisites:** (a) pursue a planned work experience program, (b) concurrent enrollment in seven or more units (including GWE units) except summer school, (c) evaluation by Work Experience Director of student's planned work experience program, qualifications and objectives. **Hours:** B250a: 75 hours per semester credit per credit unit at a paid job; B250b: 60 hours per semester credit unit at a non-paid job. **Repeat:** 3 or until a limit of 6 units is reached. **Offered:** F, S, SS. **CCS:** Occupational Education. **Not Transferable:** Associate Degree only.