

Program Summary

- Coop program provides FOUR key benefits:
 - ⇒ Skilled student employees
 - ⇒ Lower wage and benefits costs
 - ⇒ Reduced recruitment costs
 - ⇒ Source of temporary manpower
- Provides the basis for academically relevant programs that are offered in relation to the changing needs of the employer's market-place
- Ensures a “win-win” situation for all



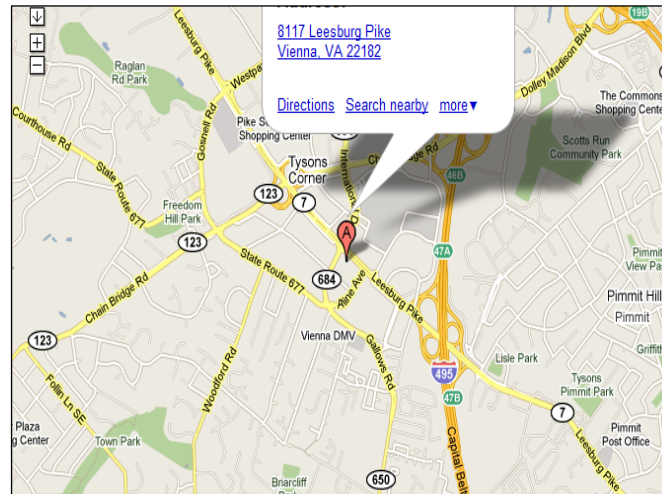
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WHERE WE ARE LOCATED...

UoNA is located at 8117 Leesburg Pike, Suite 201 in Vienna, Virginia. The University of North America is just a short bus ride from the Dunn Loring Orange Line Metrorail (subway). You can take either the Fairfax Connector 401 or the T2 Metro bus. Both stop in front of our building at the intersection of Gallows Road and



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- Founded in 2008 with experienced staff, faculty and administrators.
- The Mission of the university is to provide a high quality education that is student centered, that unifies theory and practice, and that is international in scope
- The goal is to provide students with an outstanding, integrated education linking current academic theory to real world applications
- The link is enhanced through the Cooperative Education Program.

Cooperative Education

- It is the integration of an academic program of studies with working experience in that field
- Linkage to the program of studies is done with work experience and student learning contract
- Benefits accrue to the employer, student and the university



Employer Benefits

- Motivated & eager to learn student employees
- Reduced wages & benefits for student employees
- Source of temporary manpower
- Potential staff continuity
- Mentoring opportunities
- Student ambassador for your company
- Opportunity for collaborative research projects with the University

Employer Options

Cooperative education assists employers:

- filling a newly created or vacant staff position(s)
- create new skill sets for existing employees
- retain existing OPT student employees via CPT
- lower recruiting costs



Employer Responsibilities

- To assume a broader role of supervisor that includes “educator”
- Provide a safe, challenging and relevant working environment
- Commitment to and signature on the UoNA Student Learning Contract
- Detailed quarterly evaluations for each student employee submitted directly to the university
- Upon completion of assignment, a reference letter for each student employee
- Provide the student with an academically relevant working experience

UoNA Responsibilities

- Detailed quarterly evaluations for each student employee submitted directly to the university
- Upon completion of assignment, a reference letter for each student employee
- Provide the student with an academically relevant employer
- Maintain the relevancy of academic programs
- Ensure that the terms of the Student Learning Contract are followed
- Establish a Cooperative Program Committee to facilitate improved information flow and greater communications between the university, employer & student