

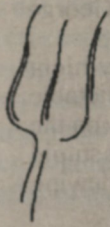
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## National Graduate Register help with job hunt

BY ERIN MCCRADY

The end of the school year is looming over the heads of everyone right now. The idea of having to find a job for the summer or a career is weighing on the shoulders of many. Have no fear, though, the NGR is here!

The National Graduate Register (NGR) is available year round, so there is still time to place your resume on the Internet for the summer. This service may not guarantee you a job right away, but it will give your resume global exposure and one day it may lead to a job.

As was mentioned in earlier editions of *the Cadre*, the NGR services allow employers to access the information within your profile in an attempt to find a "match" for a future employee. In addition, you can apply directly to job postings that are currently available on the NGR in the "Employer Mailboxes" section. If you are graduating this

year, it will be beneficial to enter your profile into the database so that you will have access to the internship program information. There are internships as well as other work experiences that may be in your field of study. One example of this is Experience Canada.

Experience Canada offers a six month paid work experience reflecting your educational background and field of interest. The ten month program begins with an intensive two week learning session, all expenses paid, in Ottawa. This session focuses on teamwork and problem solving. You will then be paired with a mentor who will offer professional advice. For more information on this program visit the NGR web site <http://ngr.schoolnet.ca>.

Remember that the NGR is available to all students and recent graduates (up to three

years after graduation). Your profile remains active as long as it is accessed on a regular basis, and your profile can be edited and changed at any time; nothing is set in stone.

At the end of March, my contract with the National Graduate Register will be completed so if you have any questions regarding the NGR you can contact the Career Development Centre (located within Student Services).

Good Luck to all students on exams and have a great summer!

## New graduate placement officer at career development centre

BY JULIE MALONE

Recently the Career Development Centre hired a Graduate Placement Officer to secure employment placement for upcoming and recent graduates. The transition between a learning institution and the work world has been difficult for some. UPEI has recognized this obstacle and through a joint venture with Human Resource Development Canada has created the Graduate Placement Officer position.

Although exams are quickly approaching and finding permanent employment may be the least of your worries, I can offer you a job posting in your field of study and lessen the burden of contacting employers. I will be actively recruiting employers to post jobs at UPEI and staying

in close contact with graduates. Student feedback is crucial.

Maybe you're not sure what type of job you would like to do or you would like to experience different cultures. Why not travel the world and make money doing it? There are numerous internship positions available to individuals with university degrees who are under the age of thirty. These short term positions are an invaluable learning experience and assist you with developing your professional and personal skills.

Now that you have realized the opportunities are endless, how can you access all this information? Good question. There are several options available. Stop by the Graduate Placement Office in

the Robertson Library room B08 to drop off a resume. Take a few minutes to discuss your interests and qualifications. Also, located outside of the office is the graduate employment opportunities board. Both internships and permanent positions are posted here.

If you feel more comfortable setting up an appointment first or receiving more information about the Graduate Placement Office, I can be contacted at 566-0792 or by E-mail at [jmalone@upe.ca](mailto:jmalone@upe.ca). Finally, for those of you who would rather surf the web than look at the job postings in person, all the positions available are advertised at [www.upei.ca/~studev/cdc/index.html](http://www.upei.ca/~studev/cdc/index.html)

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