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Canadian Association of Optometry Students

Association canadienne des étudiants en optométrie

Re: CAOS Summer Optometric Internship Program 2016

Dear Practicing Optometrists,

Every year, the Canadian Association of Optometry Students (CAOS) organizes a unique Summer Internship Program that mutually benefits optometrists and optometry students alike. Our program provides you with a perfect opportunity for the coverage of your staff's summer vacations or if you are in need of extra help over the summer season.

How It Works

Employ an enthusiastic first or second year optometry student over the summer months, many of whom are looking for hands-on experience in an office. The summer student can apply their optometric knowledge and patient relations skills. In addition, some students may have prior optical and dispensing skills. The time of employment, and extent of duties performed by the summer student is up to you to decide. In return, you will provide invaluable mentorship of a future doctor of optometry, as they gain insights into running a clinic—from the front of office to managing patients.

NEW! Registration Process

Say goodbye to faxing or scanning! CAOS launched a new website with a **new online job board system**:

- ① Create an account online at www.caostudents.ca/summer-internship.
- ② While logged on to dashboard, "Post a Job"
- ③ You will be notified of new applicants to your posting via email.

When you are ready, you can edit your posting, close applications and proceed to interviewing candidates. While we cannot make guarantees of employment, you are free to interview as many candidates as you wish.

Optional Considerations

Canada Summer Jobs Program 2017: If you are interested in hiring a student, but would like some funding assistance, the federal government may provide funding for small business employers to subsidize the pay of summer students up to 30 years of age, working in a field related to their area of study. For details, please visit: <http://www.servicecanada.gc.ca/eng/epb/yi/yep/programs/scpp.shtml>

The application period is January 4 to January 20, 2017.

Relocation Options: If your clinic is outside a metropolitan area, it may be a good idea to provide example leads into local housing or transportation so that more interested candidates may choose to apply. (ie. suggestion to contact the local university/college residence or a nearby apartment)

In the past, the program has been a success and we are confident that with your help it will succeed once again. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me via email.

We hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely,

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