

Drexel Co-op and the Semester Transition

What Employers Need to Know

Beginning **August 23, 2027**, Drexel University will transition from a quarter-based calendar to a semester-based calendar. This guide explains what this means for co-op hiring and your continued partnership with Drexel.

What Stays the Same: Almost Everything

- Six-month co-op cycles remain the standard after the transition period
- Same hiring process — A, B, and C recruitment rounds continue unchanged
- Same portal and systems — no changes to how you post positions or review candidates
- Same advisor relationships — your dedicated co-op advisor remains your main contact
- Same talent pipeline — Drexel students continue to bring job-ready skills and real-world experience

What's Changing

Co-op cycle timing shifts slightly to align with the new academic calendar.

Co-op Cycle	New Timing (Post-Transition)
Fall Co-op	Early July through early January
Spring Co-op	Early January through early July

The Transition Period: Summer 2027

To shift from quarters to semesters, Summer 2027 will be a one-time shortened term. This affects two co-op cycles:

Cycle	Impact	Dates
Spring/Summer 2027	~1 month shorter	March 29, 2027-August 20, 2027
Fall Semester 2027	~1 month shorter	August 23, 2027-January 7, 2028

After January 2028, all co-op cycles return to the standard six-month duration.

Questions?

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