

ELITE PROGRAM FOR BLACK YOUTH

Brochure for Interns

What is the ELITE Program for Black Youth?

- Experiential Learning in Innovation, Technology, and Entrepreneurship (ELITE) Program for Black Youth.
- Great opportunity for Black Youth to access experiential learning and work-integrated training in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) fields and entrepreneurship.
- Targets Black Youth between the ages of 15 and 22.
- For high school students, university or college students, or those transitioning from high school to post-secondary education training.
- Interns participate in paid internships in an innovation ecosystem and on cutting-edge industry-relevant equipment.
- Interactive entrepreneurship training and coaching are integral elements of the ELITE Program for Black Youth.
- Interns work on projects with university researchers, for-profit industry companies, or government agencies.
- Interns acquire marketable technical skills, transition to post-secondary studies, and build a professional network for future employment prospects.

Please visit www.eliteprogram.ca to learn more.

What does the ELITE Program for Black Youth offer?

- Paid full-time or part-time internships of 8 to 16 weeks.
- Leadership and entrepreneur training.
- Interactive counselling and coaching for resiliency and managing the demands of professional careers.
- Interns and internship hosts matching based on interests and professional preferences.
- Possibility of work experience or co-op education credits for work completed through the ELITE Program for Black Youth.

The ELITE Program for Black Youth is offered in collaboration with:



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What will I be doing if I am accepted to the ELITE Program for Black Youth?

- High school interns will apply to their school for one of the *Work Experience 15–25–35 courses*, if available. They will take the *Workplace Safety Systems - HCS 3000* course before starting the internship.
- University or college interns may speak with their academic advisors about co-op education or course credits.
- High school interns participate in an 8-week internship. University and college interns may participate in 8-week or 16-week internships.
- All interns participate in a leadership and entrepreneurship training series for one (1) workday per week for 8 weeks in July and August.
- Interns will develop and deliver a project report.
- Interns will deliver an oral or poster presentation at an ELITE Program student-led workshop. All workshops are in collaboration with the University of Alberta Black Students' Association.
- Interns participate in an evaluation of the ELITE Program for Black Youth.

How do I apply to the ELITE Program for Black Youth?

The application portal for the ELITE Program for Black Youth opens in November of each year. The application portal is located at www.eliteprogram.ca.

- Eligible intern candidates are those between the ages of 15 and 22.
- Open to those who are high school students, post-secondary education students, or those accepted to post-secondary education programs.
- ***Intern applicants will provide:***
 - Personal identifying information.
 - One-page statement of professional aspirations and academic interests. *Click [HERE](#) for a template with requirements and tips.*
 - Transcripts of grades from current academic program.
 - A résumé or curriculum vitae.
- Potential interns will rank their preferred internship projects.

Who do I contact if I have questions?

For additional information, please visit the FAQ section at www.eliteprogram.ca/faq/ or contact us by visiting www.eliteprogram.ca/contact-us/