

Leading work-integrated learning in Canada

If it takes a village to raise a child, preparing post-secondary students to successfully enter the Canadian workforce requires an equally robust support system.

The next generation of workers requires **quality training** that fosters intrinsic motivation and a strong sense of personal independence. To achieve this goal, post-secondary institutions, employers, and the government must be equipped with the **proper tools and resources** to provide a consistently valuable experience for students across Canada. For over 45 years, CEWIL Canada has heeded this call, cementing ourselves as experts in **building the capacity** to develop future-ready students through quality work-integrated learning.

Knowledge is the fuel in our organization's tank, and a desire to facilitate **rich exchanges of ideas and know-how** is our guiding light. In the absence of a central point of reference for the diverse players who grow and support WIL, our membership-based association rose to the occasion.

Above all, CEWIL **leads** with compassion, sharing our knowledge and expertise with our network of 1250+ members in myriad ways. When one of our post-secondary institutions or employers is looking to join the world of WIL, we are there to **guide them through the process**, with valuable resources, and best practices at the ready. When the government wants to craft WIL-related policies, they can dip into our national database or call on us to help operationalize their ideas.

CEWIL is a pillar of support for each one of our stakeholders; **nobody is ever alone on their journey**. Not only do the experts and professionals in our tight-knit WIL collective benefit from our bank of proven best practices, but they also **learn from each other's experiences**. Each bit of information we share with each other brings us one step closer to creating **quality standards and guidelines** that take everyone's unique feedback and experiences into account.

As a team comprised primarily of **dedicated volunteers**, passion is inherently sewn into the fabric of our organization. A steadfast commitment to our members, powers our motivation to **act as educators** in the name of quality WIL, with consistency and precision at the heart of all that we do.

We will know we have succeeded when each graduation cap is placed atop a future worker who is **well-equipped and motivated** to enter the global job market.