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### OCEA PREPLACEMENT LESSONS WRITING TEAM 2022

**Deadline: February 14, 2022, at noon**

The Ontario Cooperative Education Association (OCEA) is seeking to hire a curriculum writing team to create preplacement lessons as an update to the OCEA document: "Pre-placement and Integration Curriculum (PIC) Resource for Cooperative Education and other forms of Experiential Learning." There are 6 positions available.

### CALL FOR WORKSHOP PROPOSALS

**Deadline: February 23rd, 2022**  
**2022 Virtual OCEA Spring Conference**

*Pathways Forward* → → →  
The 2022 OCEA Conference Planning Committee invites presenters to submit proposals for workshops to be considered for the **2022 VIRTUAL OCEA SPRING CONFERENCE** to be held on **April 4th and April 5th online via ZOOM**.

Cooperative Education and other forms of Experiential Learning teachers provide many new and innovative programs within schools and boards across Ontario. Community Connected Experiential Learning programs (participate-reflect-apply) benefit from the expertise of Co-op and other forms of Experiential Learning teachers and this benefit is further enhanced when you share the information with your peers. Please consider sharing your ideas and resources with other Co-op and other forms of Experiential Learning teachers across our province.

### CALL FOR SPONSORS

**Deadline: March 21, 2022**  
**2022 Virtual OCEA Spring Conference**

*Pathways Forward* → → →  
We have decided to continue offering something unique for our **2022 Virtual OCEA Spring Conference**. Instead of having exhibitors participate virtually we would like to offer an invitation to SPONSOR our upcoming **2022 Virtual OCEA Spring Conference: Pathways**

*Forward* → → → on **April 4th and 5th, 2022** and receive six months of advertising. Your participation will be exclusively advertised within all our media including, but not limited to, visuals recognizing our SPONSORS during the symposium, acknowledgement on our website ([www.ocea.on.ca](http://www.ocea.on.ca)) and an exclusive post in our **OCEA e-News May/June 2022 Edition** that goes out to all our members. Most importantly, this participation will highlight your commitment to professional development for the educators who are involved with helping students achieve success.

### OCEA PROFESSIONAL AWARDS 2022

**Deadline: March 22, 2022**

**"OPEN TO OCEA MEMBERS ONLY"**

#### OCEA Award Criteria and Submission Process

The growth and development of the Ontario Cooperative Education Association (OCEA) is the result of individuals who have worked diligently and enthusiastically to promote Cooperative Education and all other forms of Experiential Learning. Many Cooperative Education educators (and community partners) and students have contributed their talents and energies to promote Experiential Learning. In order that exceptional contributions by teachers and students may be recognized, OCEA has made it an annual tradition to present these two awards.

There are (2) two awards that may be presented annually, and they are presented in the context of the annual OCEA Spring Conference.

Those (2) awards are:

- The George King Award of Excellence (teacher award)
- S.J. (Jack) Ulan Professional Contribution Award (teacher award)



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### OCEA STUDENT CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT for COOPERATIVE EDUCATION and / or EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING

The *OCEA Student Certificates of Achievement* are **available on-line ONLY** in the *Members' Only Resource* section. The certificates are provided in an interactive PDF format. OCEA members can download the PDF file from the *Members' Only Resource* section, insert the student's name, add the date and print to present to their student. OCEA members are instructed to print (2) two copies per school year (*i.e.*, *September 1, 2021 - August 31, 2022*).

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### CAPTURING THE STUDENT VOICE® CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS:

"*Capturing the Student Voice®*" is an electronic journal that includes success stories written by students from across Ontario who participated in the Cooperative Education program and other forms of Experiential Learning (OYAP, SHSM, etc.) in their high school. These stories describe their placement experience, the tasks they had to complete, challenges overcome and the benefits they derived. Thank you for taking the time to read these inspiring stories and maybe even share yours!

Do you have a student who would like to share their success at a placement? We are always looking for stories in the following areas:

- ⇒ Dual-Credit and Co-op
- ⇒ Successful OYAP / Co-op
- ⇒ Successful SHSM / Co-op
- ⇒ Successful Special Ed. Co-op (non-earning credits)
- ⇒ Successful Co-op

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### OCEA E-NEWS® CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS:

The Association invites innovative ideas, original stories and relevant publications on a variety of topics related to Cooperative Education and other forms of Experiential

Learning from teachers in Ontario and the rest of Canada, in English and French. Let's inspire our colleagues by sharing our successes and innovative work!

**We are seeking the following items:**

**Featured Articles** – include photos when possible (max. 350 words) - Articles submitted by teachers regarding student successful placements, etc.

**Inspiring Professionals** – include photos when possible (max. 350 words) - Articles that feature inspiring or innovative Co-op and/or Experiential Learning educators and their accomplishments and ideas.

**Resource Links** – useful web-links that relate to Co-op and/or other forms of Experiential Learning.

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### ONTARIO LAUNCHING NEW AGENCY TO BETTER SERVE TRADESPEOPLE

**Labour, Training and Skills Development**  
January 25, 2022

[Skilled Trades Ontario](#) will address labour shortage by improving training and simplifying services.

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### ONTARIO INVESTING IN TRAINING FOR APPRENTICES

**Ministry of Labour, Training and Skills Development**  
December 02, 2021

The Ontario government is investing \$24 million to improve and modernize equipment and training facilities that support hands-on learning for students and apprentices. These investments ensure apprentices have access to high-quality training as they pursue rewarding careers in the skilled trades.