

MSCS and MSDS Align Co-op/Internship Work Experience Policy

MSCS and MSDS Align students that wish to pursue a co-op or internship work experience through the program have the following options:

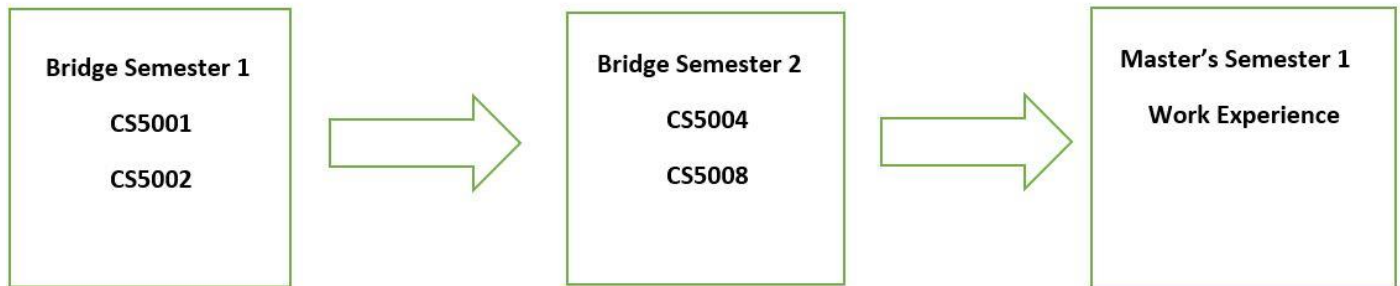
Early Work Experience (Pre-16 Master's Level Credits):

If you decide to pursue an Early Work Experience, you will be able to begin a co-op or internship after 1 year of full-time courses, or post-bridge, **IF:**

- You have completed the Career Preparation Modules and e-Portfolio and have had a meeting with your Co-op Advisor
- You find the work experience on your own. You will not have access to NUworks Co-op Database for this job search. You will have access to NUworks Co-op Database for future job searches assuming you meet the minimum requirements (3.2 GPA and on pace for 16 Master's level credits at the time you begin the work experience)
- Have at least a 3.0 GPA to begin a work experience

*Note that carrying out an Early Work Experience Pathway does not preclude you from carrying out additional work experiences during the program, but the above must be completed if you choose to search and complete a work experience at this time.

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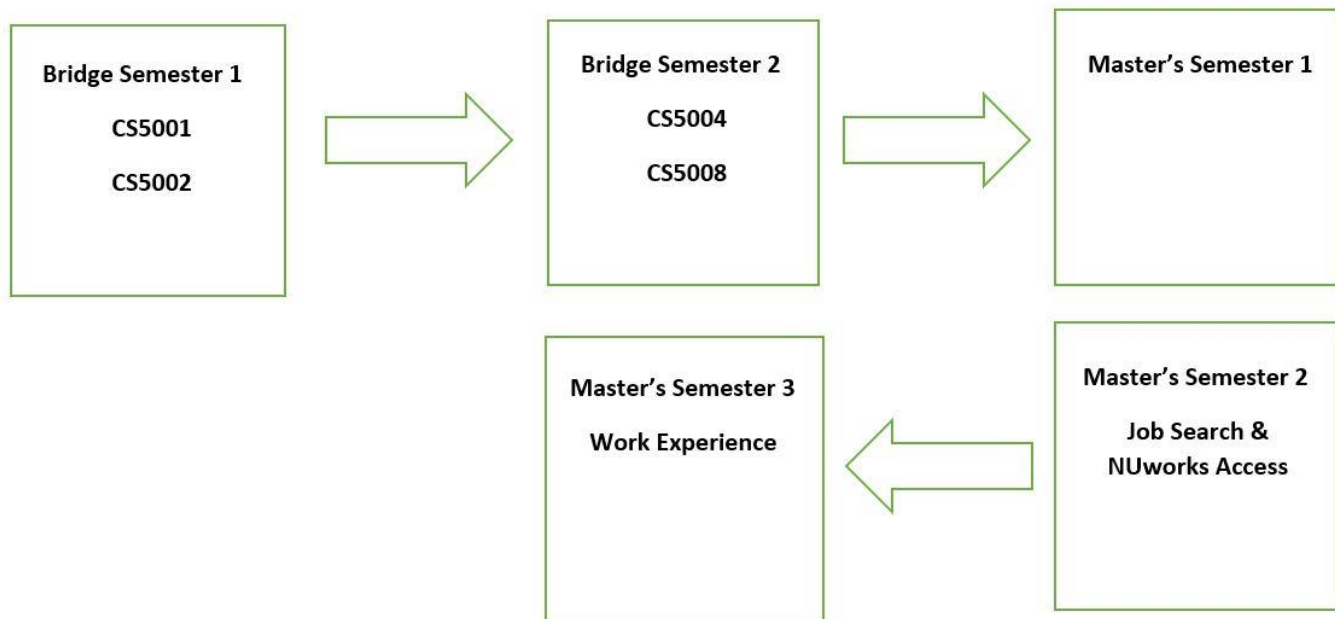
Traditional Work Experience (on track to complete 16 Master's Level credits when searching):

If you decide not to pursue an early work experience and want to follow the traditional model, you will complete a work experience upon completion of at least 16 Master's level credits, or two full Master's semesters.

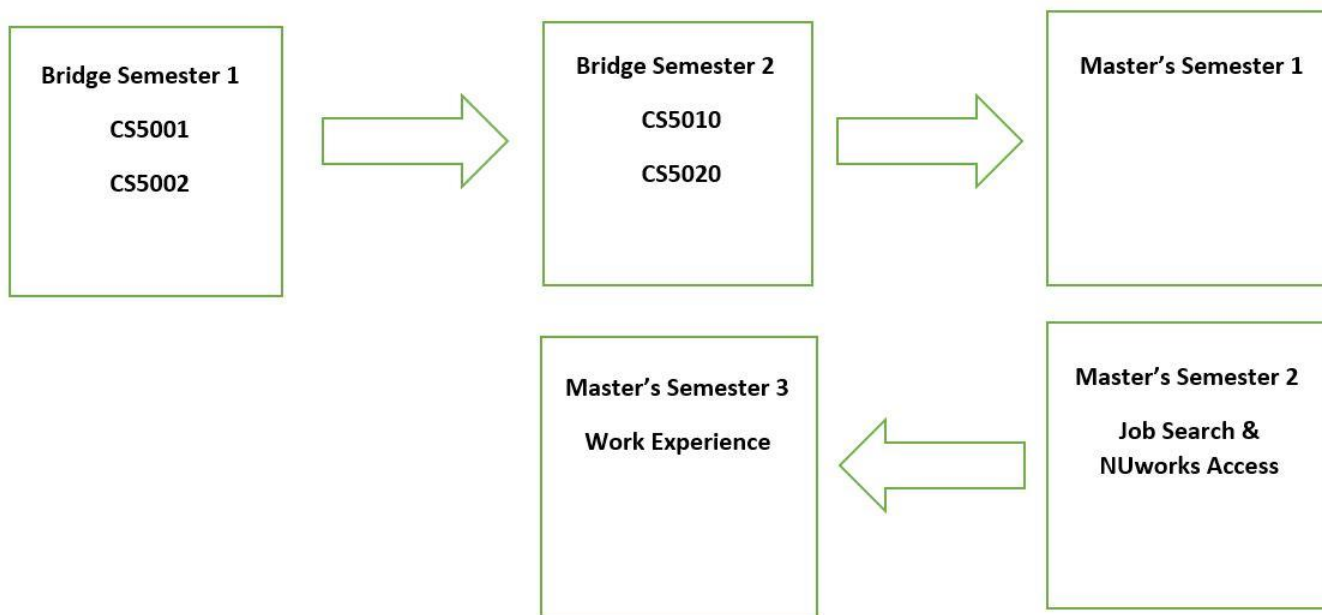
To pursue a co-op or internship during this time, you must:

- You have completed the Career Preparation Modules and e-Portfolio and have had a meeting with your Co-op Advisor
- Be on track to complete at least 16 Master's level credits at the time you begin the work experience
 - You will have access to the NUworks Co-op Database assuming you meet the minimum requirements (3.2 GPA)
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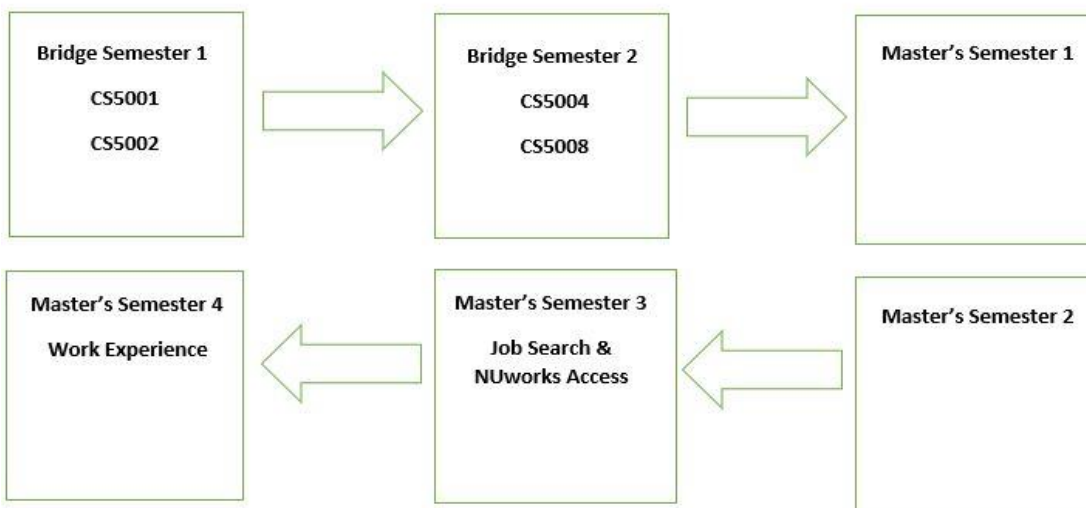
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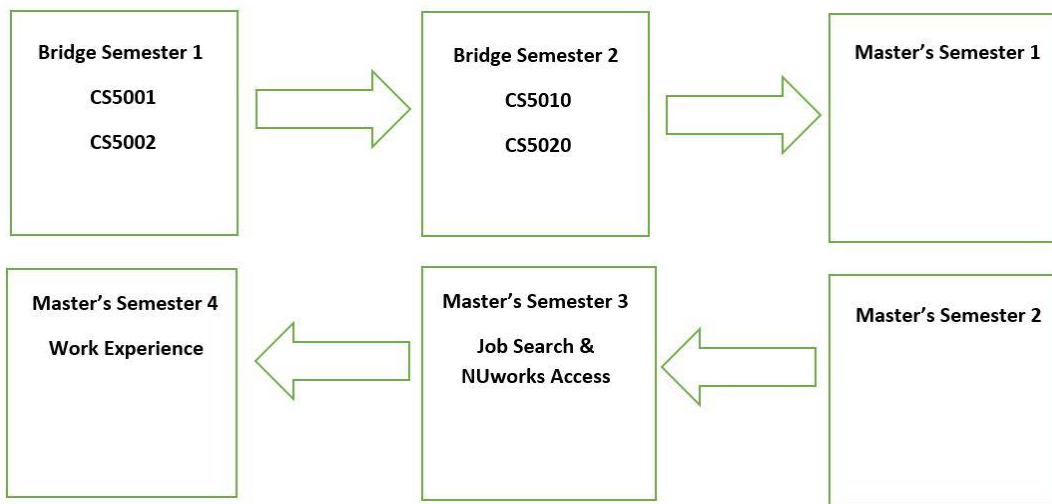
If you decide to wait and complete a work experience closer to your graduation date, you must:

- You have completed the Career Preparation Modules and e-Portfolio and have had a meeting with your Co-op Advisor
- Ensure that you have at least one class to return to post work experience (you cannot graduate on a work experience)
 - You will have access to the NUworks Co-op Database assuming you meet the minimum requirements (3.2 GPA)
- Have at least a 3.0 GPA to begin a work experience

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