**Description of programme objectives**: The SOCI/CRIM Co-op is based upon a vision of social justice, reflecting Faculty strengths and teaching interests and the Department's curriculum core. The Co-op Program objectives are both practical and academic.

At a practical level, the SOCI/CRIM Co-op Program helps our SOCI/CRIM students:

- improve employment skills
- contribute to both the agency and community
- practice professional ethics--such as anonymity and confidentiality
- explore different career paths
- build a competitive resume
- help pay for their education

At an academic level, SOCI/CRIM Co-op work placements are also designed to provide our students with opportunities to:

- apply sociological/criminological concepts
- grasp sociological patterns that relate sociological/criminological knowledge to the empirical world
- develop their capacity to think critically, constructively and self-reflectively
- cultivate a social justice consciousness and anti-oppressive practices