

Renovation Construction Technician

FAQs

What does hybrid learning mean for my program?

Students will be required to attend classes and complete homework exercises, pre and post lab work, and assignments off-site, and will be required to attend labs at the prescheduled times. Some classes will be presented live (synchronous delivery) meaning there will be a set time to log on to the internet to participate in the live version of classes, and some will be pre-recorded and presented in such a way that students can attend them at any time during the day (asynchronously). Professors will be available to answer questions at scheduled times whether the delivery is synchronous or asynchronous. There will be self-directed work and discipline required to complete and submit assignments online as required. Professors will make these expectations clear on the first day of classes.

What can I expect during the lab component of my program?

For all programs, lab section sizes may be reduced to accommodate social distancing, additional barriers may be placed to accomplish this goal. In addition to regular PPE for labs, you will be required to wear a mask to help prevent the spread of COVID-19 and be vigilant about hand hygiene. Students will be asked to complete their lab sessions and promptly exit the building or move to their next lab period. There will be no access to seating areas or food services during our recovery period.

How has the co-op part of my program been affected?

We continue to search for answers to this question and will advise when a solution has been developed.

How has the field placement component of my program been affected?

Construction is deemed as an essential service and there has not been a disruption in field placement. Co-op employers ultimately decide whether they will employ co-op students. Every effort will be made to ensure consistent communication to eligible students applying for co-op. Most companies are still actively taking RENT students for field placements. Each company may choose to alter some employment details such as PPE requirements. Please speak to Field Placement Coordinator for full details.

What additional supplies are recommended for my program? Will I need a new laptop/webcam/microphone?

In order to participate in all virtual classes as well as complete some assessments:

- Students are required to have a computer (laptop or desktop) with webcam and microphone, along with a reliable internet connection. A printer is recommended
- Cellphones are not recommended as a student's main device
- Students will be required to scan and create pdfs and upload into our learning management system (D2L), as well as learn relevant software. Accessing Microsoft Teams, taking online quizzes and submitting documents to the D2L dropbox.



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In addition to being onsite for labs, students will be required to complete some major assessments on campus in a proctored environment, while observing social distancing guidelines. The dates for these on-ground assessments will be communicated at the beginning of the term. Power tools for the labs will be provided, however these will be shared between students and encouraged to bring their own.