## ADDENDUM

## COOPERATIVE EDUCATION/INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

The Cooperative Education/Internship Program integrates college-level academic study with on-the-job work experience. Students participating in the Cooperative Education/Internship Program are among TCI's best and brightest students. These competitive positions will offer students hands-on experience in their field of study. Students may receive academic credit, and in some cases the participating company or organization provides a salary or stipend. It will take a <u>minimum of two (2) semesters to complete the Cooperative Education Program</u>

In order for the student to be considered for the Cooperative Education Program, the student must successfully complete the following eligibility requirements to achieve candidacy<sup>1</sup> status:

- > complete two (2) terms of study (completion of at least 24 Credits)
- > apply for the program in the beginning of their third term
- > have a minimum GPA of 3.0 or higher
- > Interview internally with the Department of Career Services for the Cooperative Education/Internship Program
- Complete the nine (9) week Cooperative Education/Internship Program training sessions

After the student achieves candidacy status, the student must then interview externally with a corporate representative in order to become a placed Cooperative Education/Internship Intern

Students must fulfill certain academic requirement in addition to their cooperative work assignment. These include the following items:

- Meet bi-weekly with assigned Faculty Advisor
- Identify cooperative program goals in conjunction with their industry or organization supervisor
- Submit written monthly progress report(s) to the faculty advisor
- > Submit a final report to the faculty advisor that summarizes the experience
- The final grade is based on a combination of the industry/organization supervisor's appraisal and the student's submissions to the faculty advisor.

The Cooperative Education Program is a highly competitive program, and TCI students will be competing for internship positions with other college students from around the metropolitan area. Many Cooperative Education Internships become full-time employment opportunities upon program completion.

If you have any questions, please visit the Department of Career Services in Room 300 or call Extension 5236.

<sup>1</sup> The Department of Career Services does not guarantee an internship for every candidate who has successfully completed the eligibility requirements for internship candidacy.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Company will determine number of corporate interviews.