CPT for Cooperative Education
Due during last integration day class

On this day each student will discuss their work experience with the rest of the class. The purpose of this CPT is to share with others what your work is all about. What skills are necessary to work at your job? What did you learn? What did you contribute? What did your typical day look like? Who did you work with? What kind of education pathway is necessary for your type of job? What are the next steps for you in terms of education or employment? Does it involve similar work as your co-op placement?

Throughout the semester I will visit your workplace and take pictures and in some cases some video. On our last integration day, we will all gather together and I will play those videos and showcase the pictures as each of you are asked questions about your job. You are encouraged to take your own pictures and videos as well and share them with the class. Students will ask questions, the teacher will ask questions, and you will have some prepared information to share with us.

Your job is to think about the following questions and present them in an interesting way:

What do you do at work? Describe all the jobs you do in detail.
What new skills have you learned?
What skills did you bring to the job? What did you already know and used on the job? (from school, work, volunteer jobs)
What transferable skills do you take with you? What could you use somewhere else?
What does your supervisor do at work? Describe his/her job(s).
What training or education does this job need?
What was the best thing about your job? Tell us a story. This helps to personalize your experience.

You will be asked at an earlier integration day to think about these questions and write the answers down. We will discuss the CPT in more detail at this integration session so be sure you attend. You can have cue cards with you to help you present and answer questions or you can make up a Bristol Board with some visuals and writing on it. The visuals I provide will be up on the whiteboard and you will just tell us about your work and answer questions. If you have additional pictures or videos, please let me know and you can share them with me and I'll include them on my slide show.
Each student will be marked on their knowledge of their job, their ability to answer questions, their knowledge and understanding of skills they use on the job and the transferable skills they bring with them after the job, and career pathways in this job. Each student will also receive marks for asking their peers questions. Paying attention to the presentations counts.

IDEAS:

- Oral presentation with or without cue cards to guide you and pictures in the background on a slide I can provide. Bringing in souvenirs and tools of your trade is recommended.
- Bristol Board with pictures, souvenirs, writing
- Video presentation that you make of your job
- Ask me about Book Creator (making an online book of your work experience)
- If you have a new and creative idea that can help you share your job experience with the class for your CPT, come to me well in advance of the due date and we can discuss it