

# Riipen Labs

## Project-Based Experiential Learning for Students

Finding meaningful, hands-on experience that connects to your career goals can be challenging. Riipen Labs offers short-term, project-based opportunities where you can build real-world skills, work with employers, and strengthen your experience while exploring potential career paths.

Riipen is a leading experiential learning platform that connects students, educators, and employers through real industry projects. Through Labs, learners gain practical experience by contributing to real business challenges in a structured and supported environment.

Projects are designed to be flexible and accessible, allowing you to gain experience alongside your academic commitments.

### What You'll Do

Through Riipen Labs, students work on real projects provided by employers across industries. These experiences are designed to simulate real workplace scenarios and help you develop in-demand skills.

Example projects may include:

- Developing marketing or communications strategies
- Conducting research or data analysis
- Supporting business development initiatives
- Creating digital or social media content
- Contributing to product or service improvements
- Projects vary in scope and duration depending on the employer and opportunity.

Riipen Labs runs in cohort cycles. Students can participate in one project per cohort and may join a waitlist if spaces fill.

### Why Participate?

- **Real Experience:** Work on real-world projects with employers
- **Skill Development:** Build in-demand, transferable skills
- **Career Exploration:** Try out different industries and roles
- **Networking:** Connect with employers and expand your professional network
- **Flexible:** Designed to fit alongside your academic schedule

## Eligibility

To participate, you must meet all the following requirements:

- Be a Canadian citizen, permanent resident, or a person with refugee protection under the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act.
- Be legally entitled to work in Canada according to your province or territory's regulations.
- Be currently enrolled at a Canadian post-secondary institution and registered in at least one course during the semester of the project (or the following semester).
- Please note that international students are not eligible for this program.

## Typical Cohort Key Dates

*Dates and cohort availability are subject to change.*

**Pre-Step** - Apply ASAP at <https://www.riipen.com/labs/learners> to join the program pool and be ready for the next cohort!.

- January
- March
- April
- January

Source: [Riipen Labs FAQs | Riipen Help Center](#) & [Riipen Labs Cohort Breakdown | Riipen Help Center](#)