

## AIESEC, NB Government Create Exchange Opportunity

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for The Brunswickan

An opportunity for a UNB student or recent graduate to work abroad was created last week as the New Brunswick Office of the Comptroller chose to participate in AIESEC's International Traineeship Exchange Program. This program provides businesses and organisations from around the world with the opportunity to hire a student from a foreign country. For every job raised by an AIESEC local a position is created for a student from that university to work abroad in a similar job. The students and companies involved in AIESEC's exchange program are matched by a computer which provides both companies and students with employees and jobs that suit their specific interests.

By hiring a student from abroad through the program, the Office of the Comptroller benefits from the experience of having a student from a foreign culture working in their offices. This is the seventh year that the Office of the Comptroller has participated in AIESEC's exchange program. Last year the department hired Roland Hammer, a student from AIESEC Graz in Austria. "We have been very satisfied with the benefits of this program. Not only does our office gain a capable employee but also gains from being versed in the culture of a foreign student," says Steve Thompson, Director Operational Audit at the Office of the Comptroller. It will take approximately two months before the department

knows who they have been matched to this year.

Gloria Lyons, an Arts student and member of AIESEC UNB, was involved in the signing of the traineeship and will be responsible for the corporate servicing. This includes ensuring that the computer matched student is suitable and keeping the Office of the Comptroller informed about the status of their employment request. Of her experience in AIESEC Ms. Lyons said, "AIESEC is providing a valuable opportunity to interact with the business community in a business setting. Presently, I am learning practical skills through the program and in the future I am looking forward to being able to participate in an exchange."

Through AIESEC's exchange program the Comptroller's Office is playing a proactive role in the development of the future Canadian work force by creating the opportunity for a UNB student to work abroad. The UNB student receiving the placement will have the opportunity to learn foreign business practices, learn to be adaptable, develop a new perspective of their own culture and potentially learn a foreign language. All of these skills will be essential in the business climate of the next century. The AIESEC local in the foreign country will co-ordinate reception activities to ensure that the difficulties of adapting to a new culture are minimised.

AIESEC is an international education organisation which provides students with the opportunity to experience other



Michelle Hicks, AIESEC UNB President, and Steve Thompson.

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cultures and learn practical business skills. This is accomplished through the co-ordination of student initiated exchanges in partnership with the corporate community. There are presently over 800 universities in 85 countries involved in the AIESEC program. In Canada, the AIESEC members at the 36 universities involved are taking a proactive role in the development of the Canadian workforce. AIESEC is developing the entrepreneurial spirit and the international awareness of today's student to prepare them for their role as the Canadian business leaders of the 21st century.

### Fulton gets \$558.92

The Executive has decided to give Acting Vice-President (Finance and Administration) Duncan Fulton honouraria for his work last term.

"They [the Executive] decided to back pay me for all the work I did during the two weeks before Christmas, during Christmas and the first week back," Fulton said.

Fulton received a check for \$558.92 in honouraria on January 26. During January, the other executives received \$250 in two checks, which is the usual amount.

Fulton received \$100 in honouraria last term as a member of the Finance Committee. Fulton was appointed Acting Chair of the Finance Committee on November 28. He became Acting Vice-President (Finance and Administration) on January 16.

This decision by the Executive was not brought to Council.



Sunday

All you can eat spaghetti

\$4.99

Tuesday

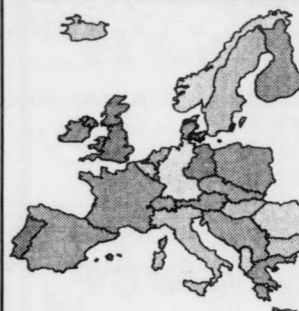
All you can eat wings

\$7.99

Wednesday \$2.50 Nachos

All food specials require a purchase of a Beverage  
Molson Canadian Friday's  
Check it out

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### Exchange Abroad for Canadian Students

Pay your fees at the University of New Brunswick and attend the University of Umea in Sweden or the University of Swansea in Wales.

AN INFORMATION SESSION WILL BE HELD  
ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD, 1996 FROM  
11:00 AM UNTIL 12:00 NOON IN THE  
ALUMNI MEMORIAL BUILDING LOUNGE.

For applications and more information,  
please contact:

The International Student Advisor's Office  
The Alumni Memorial Building, Rm. 18  
Tel: 453-4860

Deadline for Applications: March 1, 1996