- Invitations to EIT seminars to receive timely information that will help you understand more about the licensing process
- Email notices of events and items of interest pertaining to your development as a licensed engineer
- Access to Engineering Dimensions, the association's official journal
- Use of EIT designation
- Inclusion in PEO's online directory

#### TIPS WHILE PROGRESSING THROUGH THE LICENSING PROCESS

- As an EIT, your field of work should be in the same discipline in which you graduated
- Up to 12 months of pre-graduation work experience can be counted towards your overall work experience
- You may receive up to 12 months experience credit for successful completion of a postgraduate degree in engineering in the same discipline as your undergraduate degree
- Sufficient references must be provided when submitting your final experience report
- Keep track of projects that you have been working on while gaining acceptable work experience



#### WHAT IS PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS ONTARIO?

Professional Engineers Ontario (PEO) was established in 1922 and operates under the authority of the *Professional Engineers Act* to regulate the practice of professional engineering and governs its members to serve and protect the public interest. It does so by ensuring all professional engineers meet rigorous qualifications for licensing and that only properly qualified individuals practise engineering.

As part of its mandate, PEO also establishes, maintains and develops standards of knowledge and skill, standards of practice for the profession, standards of professional ethics, and promotes public awareness of its role.

### WHY BECOME LICENSED?

- Is required by law to take accountability for engineering work
- Gives you the right to use "P.Eng." after your name and "engineer" in your job title
- Represents a high standard of engineering knowledge, experience and professionalism
- Recognized by employers and clients
- Demonstrates a commitment to the profession
- Allows you to participate in professional selfregulation
- May provide opportunities for advancement

A professional engineer's (P.Eng.) licence is required if you are going to be responsible for work defined as professional engineering under the *Professional Engineers Act*. To become a professional engineer in Ontario, you must be licensed by PEO.



### WHAT IS THE EIT PROGRAM?

The Engineering Intern (EIT) program is an optional program that provides guidance and assistance to engineering graduates as they acquire the 48 months of acceptable engineering work experience. This includes annual reviews of experience to ensure that an applicant is on the right track for licensure.

#### HOW DO YOU REGISTER IN THE EIT PROGRAM?

To qualify for the EIT program, you must submit a licence application, pay the application fee and have met the academic requirements for licensure. To be considered for registration in the program, check the appropriate box on the licence application.

Graduates of an engineering program accredited by the Canadian Engineering Accreditation Board (CEAB) and international engineering graduates (IEGs) with a bachelor of engineering or applied science degree may also be able to participate in PEO's Financial Credit Program (FCP). Under the program, eligible participants can have the cost of their application fee and first year of enrolment in the EIT program (should they choose to enroll) credited towards payment of their registration and initial P.Eng. licence fees once they have been approved for a licence. CEAB graduates who apply within six months of the date of their degree conferral and IEGs who apply within six months of their landing date in Canada are eligible for the program.

## ARE YOU A NON-CEAB GRADUATE?

Academic credentials of applicants without a bachelor's degree from an accredited engineering program in Canada will be reviewed by PEO's Academic Requirements Committee. An applicant's credentials are either accepted or the applicant may be assigned a program of exams.

An applicant who graduated from an engineering program that is not accredited by the CEAB is eligible to enroll in the EIT program when they have met the academic requirements for licensure or they are in the process of completing the examinations required by the Academic Requirements Committee to meet those requirements.

# **EIT PROGRAM BENEFITS**

PEO's EIT program is designed to guide engineering graduates through the process of acquiring the required 48 months of acceptable experience for licensing. Enrolment is voluntary; however, the program offers many benefits:

- Guidance on how to prepare and submit your engineering work experience record for review
- Increased understanding of the experience requirements for qualification for your P.Eng. licence—EITs are entitled to receive detailed confidential annual reviews of their work experience
- Eligibility to participate in PEO's Licensure Assistance Program, in which you are matched with a professional engineer to receive additional guidance on PEO's licensure process
- Demonstration to employers and supervisors of your commitment to becoming a licensed professional engineer
- Involvement in the profession—EITs may receive the privileges of chapter membership and participate in events that connect you with licensed professional engineers