José Abreu, P.E., F. ASCE, is a Senior Vice President with Gannett Fleming and a member of the leadership team responsible for guiding the firm’s strategic growth and business development initiatives related to transportation and other infrastructure. He previously served as Director of the Miami-Dade Aviation Department, directing the operations at Miami International Airport (MIA) and four general aviation airports in the Miami area. José also served for two and a half years as Secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation under Governor Bush. In his role, he oversaw the operation of FDOT including seven districts and the Florida Turnpike.

Marion H. Antonini has held countless leadership positions, including Principal, President, and CEO of Kohlberg & Co., a private equity firm. Prior to this role, Marion was Chairman, President and CEO of Wiesbit Corporation, Managing Director of KD equities & Co., President of International Operations at Xerox, Managing Director at Kaiser Jeep, President and CEO at Printing Arts of America, and President of Elta International Corporation. He serves on numerous boards of companies such as Scientific-Atlanta Inc., Engelhard Corporation, Redaeli Tecnca, S.p.A., and Chon Food Systems, Inc., and he is Director on the boards of Holley Performance Products, Inc., Redaeli Tecnca, S.p.A., and Cardinal Logistics Management, Inc.

Benjamin (Baumzweiger) Bauer is a 1937 graduate from the University of Cincinnati Electrical Engineering Program. Bauer passed away in 1979, with more than 100 patents to his name and as an engineer and innovator spanning more than 40 years. Bauer began his professional career as a co-op student at Shure, Inc. in Chicago. Bauer’s work ethic and creativity earned him a permanent position with his co-op employer. As a recent graduate from UC, Bauer developed the Uniphase acoustical system, the technology that made possible the first Unidyne microphone, the world’s most famous microphone, used by such greats as Martin Luther King, Jr., and Elvis Presley. In 1957, Bauer left Shure, Inc. to join CBS Laboratories in Stamford, Connecticut, as the head of audio technology development.

Ekkarak Boonphrom, an outstanding co-op student, started his career at MiWCOM, a Japanese IT Security Services. Then, he was offered a position from Accenture - a global management consulting, technology services and outsourcing company. As a SAP specialist at Accenture he was a part of many important projects such as the SAP implementation for PTT Public Company Limited - a Thai state-owned oil and gas company. In 2012, he moved on to a much bigger challenge at Dextra Manufacturing – A French manufacturer of construction products. Currently, Ekkarak leads IT department at Dextra Manufacturing.

Andrea Carey is passionate about getting Canadians active and building physical literacy throughout the lifespan. She is Director of Special Projects with Sport for Life Society and also consults on a variety of inclusive projects across Canada. In her previous role at the Pacific Institute for Sport Excellence, she built quality programming aligned with the Canadian Sport for Life Long-Term Athlete Development model and established a national reputation for Physical Literacy programs. Carey was recognized as One to Watch by the Canadian Association for the Advancement of Women in Sport and one of the Top 25 Women of Influence in Canada by Women of Influence magazine. She is a board director for the Canadian Paralympic Committee and a board member of KidSport Greater Victoria.

Ms. Cashman credits co-op with a great deal of her success as the chief executive and president of her own firm, Cashman & Associates, a strategic communications, brand management and special events agency. She completed three co-ops at Saks Fifth Avenue in New York City, at Askins Modeling Agency, and at MAG Productions. This work experience provided an advantage, helping her land a position after graduating as an event director for five Bloomingdale’s New York City and later as director of public relations & special events for 28 Strawbridge’s stores. In late 1999, she opened Cashman & Associates and produced events for the 2000 Republican National Convention. She received the Design Angel Award from The Art Institute of Philadelphia (2013) and a Citation of Honor & Recognition from the City of Philadelphia City Council (2013), and from Drexel, she received the Rankin-Epstein Distinguished Alumni Award (2008), and the Young Entrepreneur of the Year (2003). Ms. Cashman is also a dedicated supporter of the co-op program.
Kelly Claffey is a project manager for Bartlett Brainard Eacott, where she oversees The Hartford’s Interior Renovation Project. Claffey also works as an independent consultant for JAFRA Cosmetics USA. Prior to her current positions, she served in project management roles for both Holder Construction and O&G Industries, as well as an assistant project manager at Barr & Barr, Inc. She has overseen her career projects for State Farm Atlanta, Bradley International Airport, and Emory University, among others. During her tenure at Wentworth, Claffey earned co-op experience working with the NY State Dept. of Transportation, Shawmut Design & Construction, and Barr & Barr, Inc. She has also garnered awards for LEED Accreditation Commercial Interior Projects, and the Wentworth President’s Award for Academic Excellence and Co-curricular Involvement. Claffey notes that she often takes coop experience into consideration when hiring, noting that co-op teaches professionalism and details that cannot always be taught in a classroom.
JOE FALLON
Class of 1977
Wentworth Institute of Technology
Civil Engineering

EDWARD GENTILE
Class of 1988
Rochester Institute of Technology
Bachelor of Science, Packaging Science

MARK GLEIBERMAN
Class of 1980
Drexel University
BS, Accounting, LeBow College of Business

RYAN HEALEY
Class of 2012
Johnson & Wales University
Bachelor of Science, Advertising & Marketing Communications

DEBRA HEATH-THORNTON
Class of 1981
Rochester Institute of Technology Bachelor of Science, Criminal Justice

GLENN IIVES
Class of 1984
University of Waterloo
Bachelor of Mathematics, Mathematics/Chartered Accountancy (Information Systems Package), Honours, Co-operative Program

NOMINATED BY
Dr. Zorica Pantić, President Wentworth Institute of Technology

Joe Fallon is not simply a veteran of Wentworth’s co-op program—he initiated the Institute’s very first one. While studying at Wentworth in the 1970s, Fallon took a co-op position with Malden Redevelopment Authority, setting in motion a career that would take him to tremendous heights in the real estate world. As the President and CEO of The Fallon Company in Boston, Fallon’s portfolio includes Fan Pier, a three million square foot development that contains Twenty Two Liberty, One Marina Park Drive, Vertex Pharmaceuticals, and 100 Northern Avenue. The Fallon Company is also responsible for the Westin Boston Waterfront Hotel, and Park Lane Seaport, among other sites. Fallon was nominated one of The Boston Globe’s “Bostonians of the Year,” as well as “Developer of the Year” by the Boston Redevelopment Authority, and he serves on numerous nonprofit boards. Fallon has employed co-op students and relates that he hires people who match his passion in their work.

NOMINATED BY
President Bill Destler Rochester Institute of Technology

After getting a business marketing degree in 1984, Gentile earned his bachelor’s degree in packaging science in 1988, embracing a new passion along with a new career. His first position after graduation was at McDonald Douglas Corp., where he had worked on co-op. Currently a business development executive at Perfecseal North America, he oversees sales, development and service of flexible and rigid sterile packaging products used in the health care industry. He daily applies what he terms “the great, solid technical skills I learned at RIT.” Based on his own RIT success, Gentile advises students to not over limit themselves.

NOMINATED BY
President Bill Destler Rochester Institute of Technology

Mr. Gleiberman is the founder, president, and chief executive officer of MG Properties Group (MGP/G), a San Diego-based real estate investor in apartment communities throughout the Western United States. The Group oversees a portfolio of 12,000 units in over 49 communities in high-growth cities in California, Washington, Arizona, and Nevada. As president, Mr. Gleiberman has guided the growth of MGP/G, raising money for new investment partnerships and overseeing the renovation, leasing and property management of the company’s portfolio of communities. Mr. Gleiberman completed one co-op at Samuel Fisher and Company, a regional CPA firm, and two co-ops at major accounting firm, Ernst & Whinney (known as EY today). After graduating, he was hired by the company and worked as a tax specialist.

NOMINATED BY
Chancellor John Bowen Johnson & Wales University

With the explosion of data readily available through the sheer size and depth of the Internet, the advertising industry is “taking a really cool turn right now.” The analytics team Ryan Healey works with brings value to nationally known brands such as Bank of America, Chili’s, Trip Advisor, and Dunkin’ Donuts, by taking insights from all that information and presenting it in a way that makes it understandable. The insight they glean informs their clients and internal teams at the agency about the success of their current campaigns and what can be done to expand their potential. Working as part of a team presenting to big-name clients might intimidate more than a few new graduates, but Ryan found his internship at the agency gave him the confidence he needed.

NOMINATED BY
President Bill Destler Rochester Institute of Technology

Debra Heath-Thorton is the executive dean of the Campa College of Graduate and Professional Studies at Eastern University. She is responsible for the academic programs in the college and for managing curriculum development and strategic planning for the college. Previously, Heath-Thorton was a tenured faculty member at other institutions. She is committed to higher education, where she believes she is able to do the most good and effect positive change one student at a time. Heath-Thorton is particularly passionate about the criminal justice curriculum courses she has created in victimology, community-based corrections and restorative justice.

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President Bill Destler Rochester Institute of Technology

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2015-2016 CO-OP HALL OF FAME

David Kaganovsky
Class of 1995 Drexel University BS, Information Systems, College of Computing and
Informatics
NOMINATED BY President John Fry Drexel University
Mr. Kaganovsky is the Global Applications Director for GroupM, a leading global media investment management operation. He also serves on the company’s Global IT Executive Committee and the Global Technology Strategy Board. His responsibilities include managing 50 personnel around the world and leading the creation and enforcement of global application development standards for a variety of platforms. His co-ops provided real world IT experience that prepared him to enter the industry. He completed a co-op at the General Services Administration where he worked on IT projects and two co-ops at U.S. Healthcare (now Aetna) where he worked in IT on the help desk and as a support associate. He also had the opportunity to build servers and set-up basic infrastructure in new offices.

Scott Leibfried
Class of 1993 Johnson & Wales University Associate in Science, Culinary Arts
NOMINATED BY Chancellor John Bowen Johnson & Wales University
When Scott Leibfried graduated from JWU he found that traveling and working in restaurants was the best way to truly master his craft and learn about restaurant culture. For 10 seasons he had a recurring role as sous chef alongside Chef Gordon Ramsay on Fox TV’s “Hell’s Kitchen”. He was also the lead chef advisor for the “Kitchen Nightmares” series. In 2009, Scott partnered with the Santa Monica Seafood Company to launch the tremendously popular seafood cafe and oyster bar within the newly renovated Santa Monica Seafood retail store. The following year, Mick Fleetwood of Fleetwood Mac tapped Scott to create Fleetwood’s, a restaurant and entertainment venue in Maui, Hawaii. Currently, Scott is owner of Re/Viser in New York City.

Shane Mailey
Class of 1990 University of Manitoba Bachelor of Science, Civil Engineering
NOMINATED BY Ms. Carolyn Geddert, Director of Co-op/IP (Engineering) University of Manitoba
Shane Mailey is the Vice-President of Transmission at Manitoba Hydro. He received his B.Sc. (Civil Engineering) in 1990. Shane was part of the first cohort of Co-op students at the U of M’s Faculty of Engineering completing his work terms at Centre Cass. Since that first placement Shane has been a passionate supporter of Co-op. Upon graduation he entered the Engineer In Training (EIT) Program at Manitoba Hydro. Prior to his appointment to VP he worked in areas including design, construction management, contract administration, project management, operations and maintenance. He is also the Corporate Engineer for Manitoba Hydro. Shane is active in the EIT program, and sits on the following boards; the Friends of Engineering, Teshmont Consultants, Midwest Reliability Organization, and CIGRE Canada. He earned the designation of Fellow from Engineers Canada in 2011.

Irene McSweeney
Class of 1983, 1985, 1988 Wentworth Institute of Technology Building Construction Technology ’83, Civil Engineering Technology ’85, Civil Engineering ’88
NOMINATED BY Dr. Zorica Pantic, President Wentworth Institute of Technology
As the director of construction within the Boston Water and Sewer Commission, Irene McSweeney leads a team that helps ensure the delivery of high-quality potable water and collection of sanitary flow to Deer Island for treatment. Her major separation projects include work on the Reserved Channel, Massachusetts Avenue in Roxbury and Dorchester, Dudley Square, South Boston, and East Boston. McSweeney was also proficient as a Wentworth student, completing an unofficial co-op her freshman year with Sydney Construction before serving official co-ops with Allen and Demurjian, a civil engineering firm in Boston that also offered her a full-time job upon graduation. Since starting at the Commission in 1991, McSweeney’s Construction Division has employed an average of six to nine co-ops per year—totaling 175 students as of spring 2015.

Annie Moletsane
Class of 2006 Vaal University of Technology Master of Commerce, Business Management
NOMINATED BY Prof John Mouton, Vice-Chancellor & Principal Vaal University of Technology
Mrs Annie Moletsane, Director Co-operative Education in Vaal University of Technology from 2012 to date. She has 20 years of service in VUT of which 17 years was spend in Co-operative Education Department handling different portfolios. In 2005 she served as an advisor for Student Association for Commercial Accounting (SACOMA). In 2006 Chairperson of Local Education and Training Unit (LETU). From 2006 to 2007 she was Deputy Chairperson of School Governing Body (General Smuts High School). She is currently a Chair of the Christian Women’s League: Evaton Presbytery serving 9 Churches. She is a member of different forums in Vaal University of Technology. She has presented various papers at Local and International Conferences. She serves as Secretariat of SASCE (South African Society for Co-operative Education). In 2015 she was elected to serve on the SASCE Board of Directors. In 2010 she has also joined the WACE (World Association for Co-operative Education) Board of Directors. Also in 2015 she has been appointed as Additional Member to serve on the Council of Sedibeng Technical and Vocational Education and Training College in terms of section 10(6) by Dr BE Nzimande (Minister of Higher Education and Training). She is currently holding a Master of Commerce: Business Management and pursuing her PhD in Marketing and Business Management.

Therese Jones-Mutton
Class of 1988, 1996, 2012 Charles Sturt University Bachelor of Arts (Social Welfare), Bachelor of Social Work, Master of Child and Adolescent Welfare
NOMINATED BY Professor Andrew Vann, Vice-Chancellor and President Charles Sturt University
As a workplace learning (WPL) supervisor Therese inspired many social work students to become capable and caring professionals. Her students and colleagues regarded her as an outstanding WPL supervisor. Following her masters degree she became CSU’s Social Work WPL program coordinator. She has promoted quality WPL in rural and urban areas and developed a strong network of senior practitioners from regional and remote areas who mentor WPL supervisors and assess students. She has developed quality support and training systems for WPL colleagues. Many people (students, staff, clients) have benefited greatly from her leadership, support and commitment to excellence in WPL.
After attending a technical college for electronic and telecommunication engineering, Leonhard Rechberger began at the University of Applied Sciences Joanneum majoring in environmental and process engineering. He completed internships at TANNPAPIER, a producer of tipping paper for the tobacco industry. He also gained experience in the tobacco industry via a company project that led to a MSc. He completed an Environmental and Process Engineering Degree Programme, majoring in Environmental and Process Engineering (Austria), at the University of Applied Sciences Joanneum.

Leonhard Rechberger is the creator of the transformational (jQuery, JavaScript) library. He has also contributed to numerous other JavaScript libraries, and is the author of Pro JavaScript Techniques and Secrets of the JavaScript Ninja. John also contributed to research done at the Center for Discovery Informatics at RIT, primarily in Instant Messaging (Project: IMSCAN). In recognition of the revolutionary and global impact of his work, John was inducted into the first RIT Innovation Hall of Fame in 2010. Resig is currently the Dean of Computer Science at Khan Academy where he is leading an innovative project, Khan Academy Computer Science.

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Peter Rock, who started his career in a military products position at GE Aviation, has had many students for engineering positions at his company, the world-leading provider of engines and integrated systems for commercial, military and general aviation aircraft. Rock earned a bachelor’s degree in mechanical engineering from UMass Lowell’s Francis College of Engineering in 1983 and a master’s degree from MIT. At GE Aviation, Rock has held a number of engineering leadership positions. His involvement with student engineers continues through membership in UMass Lowell’s Mechanical Engineering Advisory Board.

Michael Santora serves as CEO and co-founder of Crown, a commercial real estate company. An attorney and real estate broker, she manages a legal staff that works on abstracting and lease administration projects. It was her co-op experience working with the legal staff at the Environmental Protection Agency that sparked her interest in pursuing a legal career, changing the course of her life. Active in the community, Ms. Sennett has served on the boards of the Chester County Fund for Women & Girls, Pathways, PA and Interfaith Housing Assistance Corporation. Recognized by the Pennsylvania State Senate, she received a Senate Citation for Excellence and Dedication to her community. In 2014, she was as one of 30 women in the Philadelphia region recognized by the Philadelphia Business Journal with its Women of Distinction Award.

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Tengku Tan Sri (Dr) Tengku Mahaleel Tengku Arifff

Class of 1970
University of Malaya Bachelor of Arts (Honors), History

NOMINATED BY
Professor Dato' Dr. Mohd. Amin Jalaludin, Vice Chancellor, University of Malaya

Tengku Tan Sri (Dr) Tengku Mahaleel has over 35 years of experience in food, paper, oil, marine, tobacco, aviation and automotive industries. Throughout the years Tan Sri has contributed a great deal towards UM, such as the Lead Facilitator for Student Affairs Strategic Planning in 2013, set up Tengku Mahaleel fund for Best Student Award for 1st Residential College for the past 7 years, helped UM to revive UM Alumni association, he is the special guest and speaker for the 1st Residential College for the past 10 years, he organized a job interview techniques workshop for final year students, he became a keynote speaker at UM MBA Graduation class in late 2014, and has recently been appointed as the Advisor to the Faculties of Economics & Administration and Business & Accountancy. During his career as a CEO with the country’s first national car manufacturer, PROTON, he engaged UM’s Faculty of Engineering to test their diesel engines.

Chiaya Thongrattana

Class of 2000
Suranaree University of Technology B.Eng. Mechanical Engineering

NOMINATED BY
Prof. Dr. Prasart Suebka, the Rector, Suranaree University of Technology

Mr. Chiaya Thongrattana held a co-op position as a Maintenance Engineer at Thai J. Press Co., Ltd. The experience he gained from the co-op enabled him to have a rapid career advancement. Upon his graduation, he worked as an Automatic Tool Design Engineer at Fujikura (Thailand) Co., Ltd. Currently, he is serving as the Manager of (Asia, AME) Advance Manufacturing Engineering Department at Western Digital (Thailand) Co., Ltd. (Thailand Representative Office). His responsibilities include developing product technology, assembling tooling and automation line for plants in Asia. Moreover, he has continuously supervised the co-op students during their placements at the company.

Philip R. West

Class of 1981
The College at Brockport SUNY B.B., Philosophy

NOMINATED BY
Dr. Mary Ellen Zuckerman, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, The College at Brockport, SUNY

Phil West is chairman of Steppeo & Johnson, LLP. and head of the firm’s Transactions and Tax Department. One of America’s premier international tax lawyers according to publications such as Chambers USA, Chambers Global, and the Legal 500, he has extensive experience advising on international business operations and transactions and served for nearly four years as the Treasury Department’s International Tax Counsel (senior international tax lawyer in US government). In that position, he played a central role in virtually every policy, legislative, and regulatory development in the international tax area and led global tax treaty negotiations, discussions, and ratification efforts. He studied abroad during college at the London Center for Economic and Political Studies, and had numerous clerkships and law-related positions during law school.

Albert Yip

Class of 1997
The Hong Kong Polytechnic University Master of Science, Information Systems

NOMINATED BY
Prof. Keith Chan, Dean of Students Office, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

Mr. Albert Yip, Head of Audit Services (Asia), Manulife Financial, possesses over 25 years’ experience in corporate finance, internal auditing, risk management, compliance and information security across Asia Pacific and United States. He has held a number senior internal audit positions across 11 Asian countries with regional responsibility over 40 high-calibre internal audit professionals, including vice president, actuarial, fraud investigations, etc. Albert received Master of Science degree in Information Systems from Hong Kong Polytechnic University, and his First Honours degree in Accounting from City University of Hong Kong. Albert is a FCPA (Australia), CMA, CRISC, CRMA and Forensic CPA (U.S.), is the Honorary Advisor & Chairman of Corporate Governance Committee of CMA Australia; a member of the SEC Committee of Institute of Internal Auditors (IA) and Deputy Chairman of Financial Service Committee of CPA Australia. A seasoned speaker, Albert has been guest speaker at various professional bodies, universities, international conferences and forums in Asia and United States.