OMAFRA “Highly Qualified Personnel” Program: a student’s perspective

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“Integrating Science and Business”

• Overarching theme for program
• Broader education
  – “Out of the bubble”
• Course is very well taught
  • Good introduction to business basics
• Work semester
  – Network building
Work Semester

- Flexible and easy to setup

Ian’s work semester (started January 5, 2011)

-Greg Stewart (OMAFRA corn specialist)

- Main duties:
  - “Translating” (Winter semester 2011)
  - Assist with field research (Spring/Summer 2011)
What’s in it for me?

• More options post-graduation
  – Know more people outside of academia
• $ begets more $
  – Scholarships go on resume
• Competitive edge?