# International Programs Office



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#### **ON-CAMPUS EMPLOYMENT**

- F-1 students who are maintaining status may engage in on-campus employment.
- Employment is limited to no more than 20 hours per week while school is in session.
- Students may work full-time during the annual vacation or when school is not in session as long as they have maintained status and they intend to register the following term.
- The 20-hour limit applies to all types of on-campus employment including assistantship: in other words, the total hours per week must not exceed 20 hours.
- For students making their initial entry, employment may begin no sooner than 30 days before the start of classes.
- INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR FEDERAL WORK STUDY.

## EMPLOYMENT BY THE SCHOOL

- For example, employment in the library, the computer service, or the housing office. Work required by a scholarship, fellowship, or assistantship is also considered employment by the school.
- In the case of a transfer in SEVIS, the student may only engage in on-campus employment at the school having jurisdiction over the student's SEVIS record.

### PROCEDURES FOR ON-CAMPUS EMPLOYMENT AUTHORIZATION

- DSOs and the on campus employer usually must provide students with a letter verifying their job offer and their current immigration status so that the student may apply for a social security number if the student does not already have one.
- A letter or memo from the DSO may also be needed to assist the student's employer with I-9 documentation in cases where the employment is occurring at an off-site location.

#### **Process:**

- 1. Student can work on campus from his/her first semester.
- 2. Student cannot work on campus if he/she gets terminated or is out of status.
- 3. DSO does not need to update on-campus employment in SEVIS.
- 4. Student needs to find a job first and bring a proof of having an opportunity for employment to the international advisor.
- 5. DSO should verify the job offer and the current immigration status.
- 6. Student needs to apply for Social Security Number. Student needs to follow the social security form.
- 7. When student gets his/her card, he/she can start working on campus.