On-Campus Employment Regulations
for Students in F-1 Status

The Department of Homeland Security’s Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) has regulations governing on-campus employment for students in F-1 status.

An F-1 student may work on campus if:

• Valid F-1 status is maintained
• Employment does not exceed 20 hours per week while school is in session
  NOTE: If a student works for more than one on-campus employer, the total number of hours worked from all jobs CANNOT exceed 20 hours per week
• The employment does not take a job away from a U.S. resident

F-1 students may be employed full time on campus during holidays and vacation periods, provided you intend to register for the next academic semester.

The definition of on-campus employment includes:

• Work performed on campus, including work required by a scholarship, fellowship, or assistantship
• Work for an on-campus employer who has a contract to provide services to students

Students are urged to come to the International Programs Office (FOB 232A) to be sure that such on-campus work meets the USCIS definition of on-campus employment.

In order to apply for on-campus employment, F-1 students should come to the International Programs Office to request a Verification of Work Authorization Form (I-9 Verification Form).