Work Study VS. Student Worker

Federal Work-Study (FWS)

A "Federal Work Study" student has financial need and has qualified through the Financial Aid Office for a specific Federal or State aid program. The student is granted a specific allotment of money which can be earned, typically between \$500-\$1,000 dollars per semester. Students earn money on an hourly basis until they have received their allotment, or until the end of the term, whichever comes first.

It is the responsibility of the student and the supervisor to keep track of the earnings. Once a student earns their allotment, they must stop working, or be switched to non-work study status in some instances.

Student Worker

Any employment that is not from Federal or State programs is considered "Student Worker", and is funded totally through the individual department. These are generally hourly positions, but some may be paid through a stipend.

FAQ'S

How do I know if I have Federal Work Study?

Please view your Award Letter from Student Financial Services to determine if you have been awarded Federal Work Study. If you received Federal Work Study on your Award Letter you can apply for jobs through studentjobs@temple on the TuPortal. Please contact Student Financial Services at 215.204.2244 for more information.

Do I have to use my Federal Work Study if I have been awarded this grant?

You are not obligated to utilize your Federal Work Study grant if you were awarded this funding. However, if you are 100% certain you will not be using this fund please make sure to contact Student Financial Services so they can cancel this funding.

Does the job I apply for under the Federal Work Study Program need to be specific to my major or area of study?

No, you can apply for any job under the Federal Work Study job listings.

Please contact Student Financial Services at 215.204.2244 or Kronos Help at 215.926.2244 if you have additional questions.

If I was not awarded Federal Work Study, can I still work as a Student Worker?

In order to work for the Federal Work Study program, you must be entitled to Federal Work Study funds. However, you still may apply to non- Federal Work Study positions. These positions can be found by speaking with other regular student workers or speaking with different offices across campus. Don't be afraid to ask if different departments and offices across campus are hiring non-federal work study students!