Federal Work-Study (FWS)

Approximately 60% of our undergraduate students receive federal aid. A federal Work-Study award can be a part of the financial aid package. A student must demonstrate satisfactory academic progress by earning a minimum number of units and maintaining a minimum grade point average to receive Federal Title IV student financial assistance. These requirements vary from major to major. Students who accept their offer of FWS are not guaranteed a job; it is their responsibility to apply for the jobs that interest them. Work-Study students are paid by the hour on a bi-weekly basis. In order for a Work-Study award to be used for a job, the pay rate must not be more than $12.00/hour for undergraduate students or $16.00/hour for graduate students. The student’s total gross earning must not exceed the award limit amount. Any hiring department that undergraduate students work for can use their federal Work-Study award. Graduate students’ Work-Study awards are restricted to use by their graduate department only.