

Federal Work Study

The Federal Work study Program (FWS) is employment financed primarily with federal funds. Students who apply for financial aid, demonstrate financial need, and indicate they will accept work will be considered for Federal Work Study. Students receive a monthly paycheck for hours worked (hourly rate set by the Board of Trustees). The total a student may earn depends on the amount of the student's award as determined by the College Financial Aid Office, based on the funds available to the College, and the student's unmet need. Students must be enrolled at least ½ time to be eligible for Work Study funds. There may be off-campus jobs available with non-profit organizations. Depending on funding and individual awards, students may work up to 20 hours per week when school is in session. Students may be allowed to work more than 20 hours per week when between semesters or when school is not in session if funding is available.

Colleges are required to expend a minimum of 7% of their FWS allocation toward Community Service employment. Federal Work Study statistics are reported on annual FISAP.

Federal Work Study (FWS) Selection and Awarding

FWS is awarded on a first come, first served basis if enough financial need exists until all funds are exhausted. If a student is offered Federal Work Study as part of his/her financial aid package, the student must log onto his/her Peralta Passport account and "accept" the Federal Work Study award. If the student does not accept the award within a certain timeframe as defined by the institution, the award will be cancelled and will be given to another student based on a first come, first served basis.

Federal Supplemental Opportunity Grant (FSEOG)

FSEOG is a grant award made by the College to students with exceptional financial need. Because funds are limited, students who apply early and are eligible for Pell Grants, and who demonstrate the highest need with priority awarding going to those with a ZERO EFC, will receive first priority consideration for FSEOG. Unlike Pell Grants, there's no guarantee every eligible student will receive one. In addition, funds are limited. These grants don't need to be paid back. Students are considered for FSEOG when they submit documents to the Financial Aid Office with a valid ISIR by April 1st. FSEOG award amounts vary by the funding available at each College.