

Date: May 4, 2017
 From: International Student Services
 Subject: On-Campus Employment of International Students in F-1 or J-1 immigration status during Summer Vacation

This is a reminder message for the campus community regarding on-campus employment of international students. Due to confusion on these issues, International Student Services (ISS) has worked with Payroll, the Office of Graduate and Professional Studies (OGAPS), and the Registrar to clarify the information and to provide answers to frequently asked questions.

WORKING MORE THAN 20 HOURS PER WORK WEEK DURING SUMMER VACATION 2017

According to federal regulations, international students “may work on campus full-time when school is not in session, or during the annual vacation” 8 C.F.R. 214(f)(9)(i).

Students may be able to start working more than 20 hours/week at **12:01 AM (midnight) immediately after** the first day of Spring 2017 Commencement.

Students will have to stop working more than 20 hours/week at **11:59 PM (midnight) immediately before** the first day of classes of Fall 2017.

Please note that Commencement dates and First Day of Classes may vary depending on the campus and professional college. See the table below for specific dates for each entity.

Campus or Professional College	First Commencement Day Spring 2017	First Day of Classes Fall 2017
Texas A&M University (College Station), Texas A&M University at Galveston, School of Public Health, College of Nursing	May 11, 2017	August 28, 2017
Texas A&M School of Law	May 12, 2017	August 21, 2017
Texas A&M College of Dentistry	May 23, 2017	August 14, 2017
Texas A&M College of Medicine	May 20, 2017	August 28, 2017
Texas A&M College of Pharmacy	May 27, 2017	August 14, 2017

Please be aware that the repercussions for an international student who is in violation of employment rules are serious. A student who works more than 20 hours/week when not legally eligible to do so loses his/her non-immigrant status and is considered to have unlawful presence in the United States. Students will need to meet with an ISS advisor to determine the steps to regain their lawful status.

For more information and examples illustrating On-Campus Employment rules for F-1 and J-1 students, please see our “Frequently Asked Questions and Additional Information” links under:

<http://iss.tamu.edu/Current-Students/F-1-Status/F1-Student> (for students in F-1 status)

<http://iss.tamu.edu/Current-Students/J-1-Status/J-1-Students> (for students in J-1 status)

If you need additional information about this, please contact ISS at 979-845-1824, or email iss@tamu.edu.

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