

WHAT IS FEDERAL WORK-STUDY?

Federal Work-Study (FWS) is a need-based program that allows eligible students to **earn money by working part-time while in school**. Students are offered FWS based on their unmet need as determined by their annual FAFSA.

The maximum award is \$7,800 per academic year (\$3,900 per semester) and students who participate in the program receive bi-weekly paychecks.

Earnings are based on the hourly wage that is negotiated between the employer and the student. Wages are considered taxable income, but earnings are not used to determine your financial need when filing the annual FAFSA.

HOW DO I APPLY?

You must file a FAFSA.
Be sure to include UK's Federal School Code - 001989

Students must accept their FWS offer (via the myUK student portal) **before** they begin the job search & hiring process.

- FWS funds are limited and offered on a first-come, first-served basis. Apply early!
- **Not offered FWS?** Please contact us at (859) 218-2001 or FWS@uky.edu to see if you may qualify.

HOW DO I FIND A JOB?

1. Accept your FWS offer through the **myUK student portal**.

2. Search for open positions at **UK Jobs website**.

3. **Log in/Create Account** at UK Jobs to apply for position(s). Work-Study positions begin with "FWS"

4. **Interview for position(s).** Supervisors interview and hire at their discretion.

5. If offered a FWS position, look for **email from the FWS office with pre-employment instructions and information.**

6. After completion of pre-employment tasks, look for an **email from the FWS office with start date information.**