

Graduate Student Federal Work Study Program 2017-2018

Graduate Studies and the Financial Aid Office are pleased to announce funding for the Graduate Student Federal Work Study Program. Awards of up to \$5,000 are available for the 2017-2018 academic year for master's students who are eligible for federal work-study. Graduate students are supervised by graduate program faculty to perform specific research activities that are supported by the departments. Graduate Studies will provide the 25% match for the federal funds. Approximately \$50,000 of work study funds are available. These funds will be awarded to departments to support research, scholarly, and creative activities of faculty and their graduate students. Approval of an application must be obtained by the Department Chair and the Graduate Coordinator.

Purpose:

The program is designed to provide financial support for graduate students. Currently there are limited financial support mechanisms for graduate students. Specific purposes are:

- To match qualified master's students who are eligible for work-study funding with faculty members who have research/creative projects requiring a graduate student assistant
- To assist with graduate student recruitment and retention
- To promote meaningful graduate level research and creative activity opportunities for students
- To support students in their research and creative activities working in cooperation with faculty

Eligibility:

Graduate students must apply for financial aid using the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). The FAFSA may provide a work study allocation as part of a financial aid package. The priority deadline for filing the FAFSA is March 2, but later applications will be considered. Students must be enrolled in at least 6 units. New students cannot begin research projects until they have registered for classes. The Financial Aid Office will verify the financial aid eligibility of students. The award eligibility period is between August 16th, 2017 and May 13th, 2018.

Application:

Interested faculty should complete the application and describe one project for which a research assistant is needed. This statement should include a description of the work to be performed by the graduate research assistant and any particular qualifications or skills needed by the student. To insure the availability and eligibility of graduate assistants, faculty proposing a project may submit no more than two names of students, including student ID numbers. If selected to receive funding, the department must assume full responsibility for providing assistance with the Federal Work Study Time Voucher and using the Academic Programs Chartfield String (D20012) that is assigned to them. Faculty may select no more than two students; however, the total award to any one faculty member cannot exceed \$5,000.

Deadlines:

Applications from faculty must be submitted through the linked google form by Friday, May 5th, 2017 at 11:59pm.

Apply here: https://docs.google.com/a/humboldt.edu/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeTZvm-4LCAnhq_EWfRw5EtHmRyW8fGbtD4wjNqwtiZPvunOw/viewform