F-1 Visa Holder Work Schedule Options & Academic Progress

Academic Status:

- Minimum GPA must be maintained throughout enrollment
  Undergraduate: 2.0 Graduate: 3.0

Work Period:

- Complete a **minimum of 12 consecutive weeks** during an academic term (fall, spring, summer).
- A work period begins no later than the "last day to add/drop without tuition liability."
- A work period ends no later than the last day of the Mason exam period during any given term.

Undergraduate	Graduate
Part-time: • **Work** 15 - 20 hours a week • **Credit Enrollment:** At least 12 credits during fall and spring semesters; at least 9 credits in the student's final semester at Mason	**Part-time:** • **Work** 15 - 20 hours a week • **Credit Enrollment:** At least 9 credits during fall and spring semesters; at least 6 credits in the student's final semester at Mason
Full-time: • **Work** over 20 hours a week; limited to summer only • **Credit Enrollment:** Maximum 6 credits	**Full-time****: • **Work** over 20 hours a week; limited to one academic semester (fall or spring); may work full-time during summer. **Credit Enrollment:** • Maximum of 6 credits. • Minimum of 3 credits during final semester ***Doctoral students**, who have completed all coursework, are restricted to one work period when enrolled for dissertation/research credits only* **Note: If you work full-time more than 11 months you will **lose your OPT**; for more information contact OIPS.