

J-1 STUDENT EMPLOYMENT OPTIONS

Type of A Student Employment@ (see approval notice in boxes below):

- Type 1: AStudent Employment@ pursuant to the terms of a scholarship, fellowship or assistantship.
- Type 2: AStudent Employment@ on the premises of The University of Southern Mississippi.
- Type 3: AStudent Employment@ off-campus, necessary because of serious, urgent and unforeseen economic circumstances which have arisen since the student acquired exchange visitor status.

Conditions:

- < The student must maintain good academic standing at The University of Southern Mississippi while employed.
- < Except during official school breaks and the student=s annual vacation, the student=s employment may total no more than 20 hours per week, and he/she must continue to engage in a full course of study while employed.
- < This approval will be withdrawn automatically if the student=s program is terminated.
- < The Responsible Officer must approve the specific employment in advance and in writing.

Advantage

The current law allows work authorization to be granted by the Director or Assistant Director in the Office of International Student Affairs. It usually takes 3 -5 working days for processing.

ATTENTION J-2 VISA HOLDERS

J-2 visa holders must request work authorization from the Immigration and Naturalization Service. However, it may take up to 80 days to receive this authorization form the INS.

ISA will be happy to assist J-2 visa holders with this application process.