

Quick Guide: Grant-Funded Student Hiring & Part-Time Hiring

Student Eligibility

- **Undergraduates:** Must be enrolled in classes to be employed.
- **Graduate Administrative Assistant (GAA):** Must be enrolled in classes; assistantships begin in the fall semester and continue through the spring. Additional requirements may apply.
- **Graduate Research Assistant (GRA):** Must be enrolled in classes; assistantships begin in the fall semester and continue through the spring. Additional requirements may apply.
- **Academic Specialist (Graduate Student):** Bachelor's degree required; enrollment as a graduate student is not necessary for employment.

External Part-time Eligibility

- Not current Kean employee
- Has an earned master's degree

Grant-Funded Student Positions:

- **Graduate Administrative Assistant (GAA) & Graduate Research Assistant (GRA)**
 - **Full-Time:** 15-20 hours/week; full tuition waiver.
 - **Half-Time:** 7.5-10 hours/week; half tuition waiver.
 - **Quarter-Time:** 3.75-5 hours/week; one-quarter tuition waiver.
 - **Appointment:** Academic year (fall-spring, not including summer/winter).
- **Academic Specialist (Graduate students, Part-Time, Temporary)**
 - Supervised by a full-time employee; may work up to 15 hours/week.
- **Student Research Assistants (Part-Time, Semester-Based)**
 - Paid for hours worked from grant funds. Salary disbursed by HR/Payroll.

Grant-Funded Non-Kean Students/Non-Kean Employee Positions:

- **Academic Specialist (Part-Time, Temporary)**
 - The position is supervised by a full-time employee and may require up to 15 hours of work per week.

Departmental Hiring Responsibilities

Principal Investigator/Project Director (PI/PD): Responsible for completing hiring forms and obtaining approvals. Ensure information aligns with funding and university payment schedules.

- **Processing Time:** Estimated 2 weeks or more.

Grant-Funded Student & External Part-Time Hiring Form: [Form link](#)

***Important:** *Students must not begin work without HR clearance.**

Inquiries

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