What is Work-Study?

**Work-Study** is a financial aid award that provides the opportunity to work and earn a portion of the funds needed to cover your educational or living expenses.

*Do you have work-study?* If you do, you will see it in your Financial Aid award. In order to have access to the monies, you must first accept your award on BroncoWeb. Once you have accepted your award, you may apply for a special classification of jobs open only to those with a work-study award. You can also apply for non work-study jobs as well. Note: your award amount is *not* a guaranteed earnings award – it is dependent on you working.

Although the majority of work-study jobs are on campus, there is a Community Work-Study Program that assists students with work-study in part-time jobs in pre-approved public agencies or private nonprofit organizations that are in the public interest.

Work-Study, like any other financial aid, is an option rather than a requirement: you do not have to pursue employment, employment is not guaranteed, and there is no penalty for declining this part of your award package. You may hold more than one work-study and/or non work-study position on campus as long as you do not work over 30 hours per week during school.

The work-study monies earned are given to students in the form of a paycheck every two weeks. The amount on each paycheck will depend on the hourly wage offered to you by your employer and the number of hours you have worked. Each job has different work schedules and responsibilities, with all jobs recognizing that academics are a student’s top priority.

**Work-Study Job Search:** You can review both work-study and non work-study job listings on BroncoJobs by registering for an account at career.boisestate.edu. (This account is not the same as your BroncoWeb account.)

The Career Center can assist you with the job search process including using BroncoJobs, resume and cover letter assistance, and improving your interviewing skills. For more information on how the Career Center can help, visit career.boisestate.edu.

Career Center staff can be reached by phone at (208) 426-1747, e-mail career@boisestate.edu, or in person at 1464 University Drive in the Academic & Career Services Building, Room 111A (across from the Rec Center).