SGA OVERLOAD POLICY

Graduate assistants are expected to devote full-time effort to their studies and duties of their award. They are not permitted to hold any other job during the term of their assistantship; however, they may be offered limited extra work on campus.

Continuing graduate assistants who are not on F-1 or J-1 visas can be offered overload work that does not exceed an average of 6 hours a week or 90 hours a semester, for a total of 270 hours a year (or three semesters). As part of this work, graduate assistants may be hired to teach one 3-semester-hour course as an overload during the year (180 hours). The hours worked during the weeks between semesters are included in this total.

The International Student and Scholar Institute (ISSI) issues and verifies on-campus work authorization to eligible students in nonimmigrant visa classifications. Due to federal regulations, international student graduate assistants cannot be offered overload work. All international students must acquire the appropriate work authorization from the ISSI, 405 Ell Hall, prior to engaging each and every time in any form of employment.