Agency employers often ask about hiring students part-time during the year, especially after the students have proven themselves in a summer internship. Information assurance-related work during the year can be a good thing for both the student and the employer, but in moderation.

CyberCorps students are full-time students. They must maintain outstanding grades and participation in the courses and activities of the CyberCorps program. Failure to do so could cause termination of the student from the program, and the student would then be liable for any obligations thus owed to the federal government. They must maintain a high grade point average. Failure to do this requires them to immediately resign from any employment and participate in active mentoring to improve their grades.

We also want students to immerse themselves in the university experience and to spend an appropriate amount of time in the laboratory on projects customized to them, developed with the instructor of the required CyberCorps seminar.

For those reasons, we limit part-time work. During the academic year, incoming students may work up to 10 hours a week during their first semester. SFS scholarship students may work up to 15 hours a week outside of their full time academic commitment without loss of stipend. Students who work more than 15 hours but less than 30 will receive a reduced stipend and students who work over 30 hours will receive no stipend.

Employers with questions on this policy should contact the CyberCorps office cspriaa@gmail.com or call (202) 994-5613 for more information.

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