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RE: New Statutory Requirement for Texas College Work-Study (TCWS) Program

During the 84th Legislative session, Senate Bill 1750 was passed that included new language about off-campus employment for the Texas College Work-Study program. Senate Bill 1750, Section 56.076(b) states,

“Each eligible institution shall ensure that at least 20 percent but not more than 50 percent of the employment positions provided through the work-study program in an academic year are provided by employers eligible under this section who are providing employment located off campus”.

To clarify the language in the bill, the new requirement refers to the percentage of student positions that must be located off-campus and not the percentage of work-study funds that are allocated to the institutions. This new requirement goes into effect beginning with the 2016-17 academic year.

In an effort to address some commonly asked questions about the new TCWS requirement, we have provided a TCWS Q&A document. For additional questions, please contact the Financial Aid Services office at 1-800-242-3062 or GrantInfo@theccb.state.tx.us.

Enclosures: [SB1750](#)
[TCWS Q&A document](#)

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