Federal Work Study (FWS) – Key Points, Cognos, Monitoring, Process and Helpful Hints

FA PAPERWORK CHECKLIST - BEFORE A STUDENT CAN BEGIN WORK.

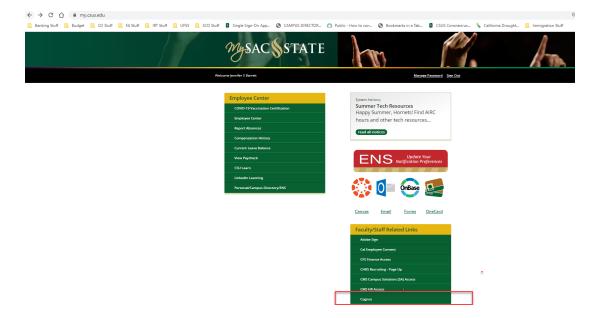
- 1. Department received FWS Funding Allocation Form
- 2. Confirm student FWS eligibility by requesting screenshot of award package from student
- 3. ITH Intent to Hire https://www.csus.edu/apply/financial-aid-scholarships/work-study/
- 4. Student Employment Confirmation received by student from Student Employment Office (SEO)
- 5. Financial Aid Office Accepts student award once all required hiring documents are verified as received
- 6. Student cannot begin working until the semester begins and must remain in Good Academic Standing. Students cannot work in more than one FWS position at a time.
- 7. SEPTF Student Employment Personnel Transaction Form https://www.csus.edu/administration-business-affairs/internal/your-hr/employment-services/ internal/ documents/hiring-manager-forms/student hiring manager packet.rev20211.pdf
- 8. Be sure to use the correct position #. These map to the correct account, fund and dept id. New position numbers can be requested using this form from the Budget Office. https://www.csus.edu/administration-business-affairs/ internal/ documents/aba-pdfs/request for new pos no 2020-07.pdf. Already existing position #'s can be found by running the SACHR025 report. Navigation: My Sac State/CMS HR Access/Organizational Development/Position Management/Sacramento Custom Reports/SACHR025. This report can be limited by dept id. Some staff may not have access to this report. In this case, please contact your College Resource Analyst (CRA). They should be able to run the report.

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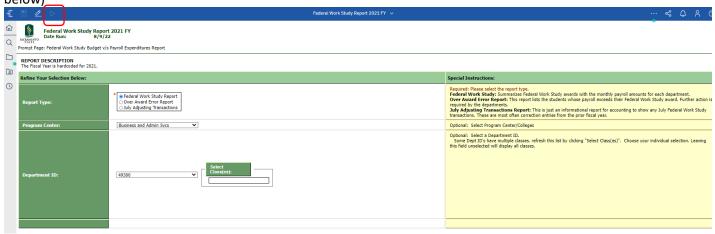
BUDGETS AND RECONCILIATION ONCE STUDENTS ARE HIRED

9. Cognos and Budget Tracking – for both Student Budget and Department Budget

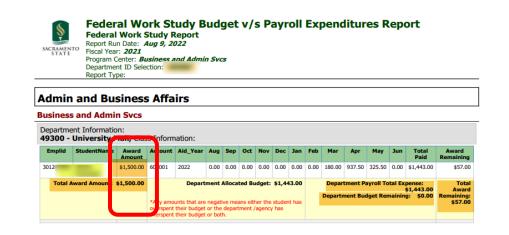
From Sac State sign on page – click on Cognos then follow this navigation - Team Content/Financial Reporting/Departmental Reporting/Federal Work Study Report 2223 FY. The FY 22/23 report won't return anything until we load LCD data.



Use dropdowns to select your program center, dept id and class (if needed). You can run as pdf or Excel (click arrow below)___



Report can be either pdf or Excel



The Over Award Error Report will isolate student whose earnings have gone over their student award amount. This would be helpful in finding problems.



Federal Work Study Budget v/s Payroll Expenditures Report

Over Award Error Report

Report Run Date: Aug 11, 2022

Fiscal Year: 2,021

Program Center Selection: All Program Centers
Department ID Selection: All Department IDs

Report Type:

This report returns all rows where the pay total is greater than the award total.

Emplid	StudentName	Award_Total	Aid_Year	Fiscal_Year	Pay Total	Pay Exceeds Award	
	s , Andrew	\$3,000.00	2022	2,021	\$3,422.00	(\$422.00)	

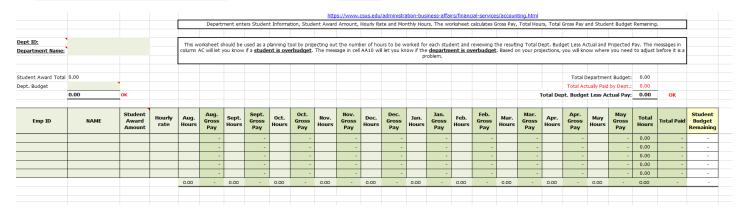
Use the Cognos report alongside the Excel Budget Calculator provided on the Accounting Services website - https://www.csus.edu/administration-business-affairs/financial-services/accounting.html.

Good to Know

- CFS 9.2 Fluid User Interface-Phase II-FAQ PDF
- CFS 9.2 Fluid User Interface-Phase II-Video Reference Guide WATCH
- Year-End Department Deadlines PDF
- Delegated Fiscal Authority Approval Scenarios (ADM-0162) PDF
- Expense Account Listing PDF
- Endowment Changes Message PDF
- Accounting Services Forms

• Federal Work Study Budget Calculator

- Expenditure Transfer Request Submission Deadlines PDF
- Audit Documentation
- Audit From For GASB PDF



BENEFITS OF COGNOS AND EXCEL BUDGET CALCULATOR

- 1. Cognos allows you to get student budget information. Checking it monthly is a good way to catch any adjustments that might increase or decrease a student budget. The student budget directly effects whether earnings exceed student budget. When it does, it can mean time consuming corrections for the dept, FA, HR and Accounting Offices.
- 2. Excel Budget Calculator allows the department to monitor department budget, student budget and to project student earnings. Hint does total of all student budgets exceed the department budget as shown on the department allocation form provided by FA? If so, HOUSTON WE HAVE A PROBLEM.

TYPICAL CORRECTIONS AND TIMING

Example of reconciling issues - It is determined that a student is in the wrong dept id, or should not be paid as FWS (602001), but should be a student assistant (601303)

- a. <u>674 Adjustment/Form</u> Payroll Office -> State Controller Office (SCO) > Pay Tape Load to LCD > GL/Cognos Report
 - Timing Request sent to the Payroll Office before the third week of each month to get posted in next LCD (Labor Cost Distribution) run at the end of the month. <u>Use from August through March/April</u>, because there is enough time to get the correction all the way through the process. If an item is pending with the SCO at 6/30/22, it creates a problem for year end close.
- b. <u>LCD Adjustment</u> through the Budget Office this acts like an Expenditure Transfer but processes through LCD. This keeps the LCD and the GL in sync. <u>Use from April through June</u>.
- c. <u>Journal entry/expenditure transfer</u> used as a last resort. Prefer to use this only when other options are not available. <u>Mostly used at year end</u> when the reconciliation process reveals an overage in either student budget, or department budget. At this point the only real option is to move the earnings from FWS (602001) to Student Assistant (601303). This means that the department will cover 100% of the earnings rather than the 30% for FWS. These take considerable time to identify and correct, so Financial Aid, Budget and Accounting would appreciate your diligence to help us to minimize this type of correction.