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## WORK STUDY PROGRAM

The purpose of this program is to stimulate and promote part-time employment of college and university students who are from low-income families and who need to earn money to pursue their education. In addition to enabling a wider range of students to attend college through financial assistance, the program will sharply reduce the heavy debt load that often weighs on the student who is least able to bear it.

Participating educational institutions will provide students with on-campus jobs such as dormitory and plant maintenance, food service, clerical work, library indexing, lab assistance and others. Off-campus employment, conducted under agreement with public or nonprofit organizations, will place students in jobs such as tutors, youth workers, recreation leaders, and community service aides. No student may be employed for more than 15 hours a week while classes in which he is enrolled are in session.

It is estimated that the average earning of an undergraduate during the first year of this program will be approximately \$500, and that for a graduate student will be \$1,000. More than 100,000 students are expected to participate in the Work Study Program in the first year.

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