

Working While Studying

There are a few important things to know if you're hoping to work while studying at CBC.

On-Campus work

You do not need a work permit in order to work on campus while attending CBC, as your study permit gives you permission to work unlimited hours on-campus as long you are enrolled in full-time studies (See “Academic Load” on page 3 of the [Academic Manual](#) for CBC’s definition of “full-time”).

Please see Columbia’s [Student Job Board](#) for On-Campus Employment opportunities and requirements.

Off-Campus work

If you are studying in a degree, certificate or diploma program and meet CBC’s definition of full-time studies, you may work off campus up to a maximum of 20 hours per week during the regular academic year (September to April).

(See “Academic Load” on page 3 of the [Academic Manual](#) for CBC’s definition of “full-time”)

You may work full-time during academic scheduled breaks (summer session, Reading Week, and breaks between terms) if you are eligible to work during a scheduled break.

Working during a scheduled break

You might be eligible to work full-time on or off campus during a scheduled break.

Registered, eligible, or continuing students in CBC degree, diploma, or certificate programs are considered to be eligible to work while on a “scheduled break” if:

- You were full time in the term before the break, and
- Your degree has not been conferred, and
- You will resume full-time studies in the term following the break

If you meet the above requirements, you are permitted to work full-time on or off campus during a scheduled break for a total of 180 days per calendar year, but not more than 150 consecutive days.

If you *do not* meet the above requirements, you are **not eligible to work** during a scheduled break.

Students on a scheduled break who *do not* meet the above requirements may work up to 20 hours a week off campus and unlimited hours on campus during the summer session only if enrolled in a full-time course load. If you are enrolled in a part-time course load you are not eligible to work on or off campus