

UI Campus Employment Breakdown Part Time: 6-7K Employees/Year Employer Pays 100% Jobs From 1-20 Hours/Week Most Frequent Wage: \$9.50 Paid Bi-Weekly via Direct Deposit **Defeat the misconception! Working as a freshman has proven to help students settle in and adapt to the college experience, not the opposite.**



UI Does Not Function Without Student Workers

- 8,000+ students work on-campus yearly
- 60%+ of UI students work on-campus while attending school

Future Employer Expectations...

- Students are capable & EXPECTED to learn outside of the classroom
- Education NEEDS to happen in the workplace





Student Worker v. Non-Student Workers

Year	Fall to Fall Retention Rate	1 st Semester GPA	4 Year Grad Rate	6 Year Grad Rate
2013	6.5%	0.13	1.52%	3.50%
2014	5.7%	0.09	1.52%	5.40%
2015	3.5%	0.10	1.52%	
2016	6.6%	0.19	7.80%	
2017	5.2%	0.12		
2018	5.1%	0.15		
2019	3.4%	0.17		

Student Involvement – Why It Matters

Who would you hire as an employer?

- A. UI Graduate
- B. UI Graduate + 3 years of job/internship experience
- C. UI Graduate + 3 years of job/internship experience + student organization leader



Student Employment: More than Just Money

- Positive Campus Experience
 Transferable Skills Development
 Improved Campus Engagement/Involvement
 Increased Awareness of Campus Resources
 Networking & Social Development

 - Increased Confidence With College Transition

- Positive Student Outcomes

 Improved Retention Rates (5+ % for freshman)

 Improved 4 & 6 Year <u>Graduation</u> Rates

 Positive GPA Effect (0.15 greater in 2019)





Transferable v. Job Specific Skills

Transferable Skills	Job Specific Skills	
Intangible	Tangible	
Easily observed in leaders	Easily identified	
Not quantifiable	Easily quantifiable	
Portable	Obtained through school, training, or certificates	
	Gets you "in the door"	

Hiring companies consider candidates with the 3-5 job specific skills desired, but the decision of who to hire often comes down to who possess the 2-3 transferable skills that were not originally considered.



What Employers Want From Students

Employers Rate Career Readiness Competencies in Terms of Essential Need

Competency	2020	2019	2018	
Critical Thinking/Problem Solving	4.65	4.66	4.62	
Teamwork/Collaboration	4-57	4.48	4.56	
Professionalism/Work Ethic	4.48	4.41	4.46	
Oral/Written	4-35	4.30	4.30	

Based on a 5-point scale where 1=Not essential; 2=Not very essential; 3=Somewhat essential; 4=Essential; 5=Absolutely essential;

92% of employers believe that soft skills matter as much or more than hard skills



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Supervising Today's Students Series Workshop Topics Include:

Why Campus Employment?

- Resume Builder—Gain valuable work experience
- Develop Transferable Skills—Differentiate yourself from others
- **Develop Emotional Intelligence**—Interact effectively with peers, supervisors, customers
- Professional Etiquette Development—Be more work-ready
- Superior Time Management & Organizational Skills
- Networking & Reference Opportunities—3-5 references!
- **Learn!**—What do you like and dislike about work environments?



