Student Job Opportunities Expanded











In an effort to help more students earn a portion of their college expenses Mars Hill will add nearly 50 new jobs to its on-campus student employment program this fall, bringing to almost 400 the total of such work positions.

President Bentley instigated the expansion of student employment opportunities back in February in response to evidence which showed that the long economic recession which has gripped the nation has taken a heavy toll on the ability of students and their parents to meet college expenses.

"The recession has had a drastic effect on college students everywhere," he elaborated, "especially those attending private colleges like Mars Hill. We are sympathetic to their problem, and we need to do all we can to assist. By giving more students a chance to work a few hours a week on campus while they are taking a full academic load, we hope to help alleviate some of the burden.

"I'm told that in many cases a student's being able to earn a few hundred dollars during the school year can mean the difference between being able to stay in school or having to drop out. It's sad to see anyone being forced out of school, so I hope this expansion of student job opportunities will be helpful. I hope we will be able to find a job for everyone who wants to stay in school and is willing to work a few hours a week in order to do so."

This special Hilltop insert gives an idea of the various types of jobs which are available to students in different locations across the campus. No attempt has been made to provide complete job descriptions, only brief sketches. Unless otherwise indicated, all job assignments are made throughout the Financial Aid Office, second floor, Blackwell Hall.

A form for expressing interest in on-campus employment for the 1983-84 school year is provided below. It should be filled out, clipped and dropped in the mail slot at the student post office in Wren College Union by Friday, April 22 at the latest. College officials will try to match each student's stated preferences with available jobs.

With the exception of a few jobs which require special qualifications, all student jobs pay \$3.35 per hour. Most students work about two hours per day or an average of 10 hours per week. This means that, during the course of a full school year, they are able to earn approximately \$1,000. Students are paid once a month by check, which is issued by the Business Office around the 10th. Most students file exemption forms which make it possible for the college to pay them their full earnings without having to withhold state or federal taxes.

All student employees of the college are covered by Workman's Compensation Insurance, but students are not eligible for unemployment benefits when they leave their jobs at the college. As in all other aspects of the total operation of the college, all students are treated alike without regard to race, color, national or ethnic origin, sex, or physical handicap.

There are two major classifications of student workers, those eligible for Work/Study and those not eligible. Students whose family financial conditions meet certain federally prescribed standards are eligible for the Work/Study Program. The government pays 80 percent of the earnings of such students, and the college pays the remaining 20. On students who are not eligible for Work/Study the college pays 100 percent of the earnings.

The following is an up-to-date list of offices and departments around the campus which hire students, the numbers involved, and a brief sketch of duties required:

ADMISSIONS OFFICE, six students; general clerical work – filing, typing, work with bulk mailings, answer telephones.

ATHLETICS

Basketball, five students; serve as managers, clean dressing rooms, perform miscellaneous duties as needed.

Football, 25 students; serve as managers, wash uniforms, issue and check in equipment, work in training and weight rooms; one does general clerical work.

Intramurals, six students; two work with intramural players, four work at night - clean, check equipment in and out, lock up gym.

Life Guards, four students; on duty when the pool is open.

Physical Education Department, 10 students; nine do general clerical work for faculty members, grading papers, etc.; one supervises equipment room, including use and maintenance of all equipment.

BIOLOGY DEPARTMENT, five students; general lab clean-up, take care of equipment, care for aquarium, manage greenhouse, serve as lab assistants, take care of herbarium.

BOOKSTORE, 10 students; unload delivery trucks, mark merchandise, stock shelves, assist customers, clean and dust, operate cash registers. BUSINESS OFFICE, one student; general clerical work – typing, filing, assist with mailings, run errands.

CAFETERIA, 55 students; serve on food line, serve as hosts and hostesses at banquets, helping with cooking, clean, wash dishes, scrub pots and pans, general custodial work (mop and wax floors, steam-clean carpets, wash windows).

CAREER PLANNING AND PLACEMENT, one student; general clerical duties - typing, filing - plus helping maintain Career Library.

CHEMISTRY DEPARTMENT, two students; prepare labs, serve as lab assistants, put away chemicals and equipment.

CHORAL CLINIC, two students; one handles mailings and helps with student housing for the clinic; the other serves as choral librarian as needed. (continued on reverse)

YES, I NEED AN ON-CAMPUS JOB FOR '83-84!

CAMPUS ADDRESS

I.D. NUMBER

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(Please clip, fill in, and drop in student post office)

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