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Jobs may benefit school

## Papik: Keep priorities straight

By Pam Alward

If students keep their priorities straight, a parttime job during college need not adversely affect their grades, UNL's admissions and advising director said. But freshmen may have a difficult time balancing a job and school.

Al Papik said a parttime job can even have a positive effect on a disciplined student. Problems exist only when work becomes a higher priority than school, he said.

Then the student is more apt to miss a class than miss work," Papik said.

Another disadvantage is that a job leaves students with less time for campus and extra-curricular activities, Papik said.

However, the advantages are many, he said. These include money, experience, discipline and an increased appreciation of school.

The university takes no official stand on the wisdom of students of students holding jobs, Papik said. But, he said, he thinks freshmen should not work, especially during their first semester at the university.

Jobs make the transition from high school to college more difficult, he said. If they need to work, freshmen should take fewer credit hours of classes or work fewer hours, Papik said.

According to UNL research; 62 percent of the freshmen enrolled for the 1983-84 academic year planned to work while in college. The study also showed that 27 percent didn't plan to work their first year and 4 percent did not respond to the questionnaire.

Of the students who planned to work, 26 percent planned to work one Thirty-five percent planned to work 11 to 20 hours per week and 8 percent planned to work more than 20 hours per

week. Although it seems most students work to earn money, Papik said, many working students' parents will pay the extra expense if students choose not to work. Many students work simply to be independent, he said.

"I admire that as long as it doesn't interfere with their education," Papik said.

Doug Severs, assistant director of student employment, said the work-study program is one way for students to earn money to help finance their college education. The uni-

to 10 hours per week. government sponsor the work-study program, he said.

> Work-study jobs are allocated according to a student's financial need, Severs said. UNL offers work-study both during the summer and the academic year. About 450 students use the program during the summer and about 1,000 use it the rest of the academic year, he said.

> Pay ranges from \$3.35 per hour to \$5 per hour, depending on the job, Severs said. Students work in university departments and offices.

Papik said that besides the work-study program, the university has a "miniemployment agency," run by the scholarships the wide jobs.

Peggy West, student employment coordinator of the Job Location and Development Program, said the number of jobs needed by such a large student population can't all be filled on campus. Because of this, her office places students in parttime jobs of campus.

Employers give permission for a job notice to be placed on the Job Board when a spot is open, West said. The board hangs on the west wall of the Administration Building.

"We don't have to go too far to find them (employers)," she said. "They find us.'

The Job Location and Development Program placed more than 800 students in the 1982-83 academic year, West said.



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