

**Public Employee's Retirement System (PERS)
Waiver of Eligibility**

Student Name (Printed): _____

Social Security Number: _____

Hiring Department: _____

Student ID Number: _____

Students enrolled at least half-time are eligible to work on-campus for up to 15 hours per week. Students enrolled full-time may be able to work additional hours if they submit this form to **Human Resources** in Bouillon 140 or at mailstop 7425. Refer to the Student Employment website (www.cwu.edu/student-employment) for information on how many hours you may work.

Half-time = 6-11 credits (5-9 credits in Master's Program)
Full-time = 12 or more credits (10 or more credits in Master's Program)

I hereby certify that I am at least a half-time student at Central Washington University and my employment is primarily in furtherance of my education or training. I have read the information below and understand my rights and obligations as stated and wish to be classified personally ineligible for membership in the Public Employees Retirement System. I waive any claim to pension, annuity or disability benefits which might accrue to me as a result of participation in PERS. I understand this waiver will be in effect while I am enrolled at least half-time at CWU. I understand that if my student status changes or I become a career employee, I may later become a member of PERS subsequent to the change in my status.

I understand that by signing this waiver, I may work on the CWU campus for more than 69 hours per month while in full-time student status. I agree to notify my CWU employers if I drop below full-time student status, and will not work more than 69 hours per month (15 hours per week) while not enrolled full-time.

Student Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

WAC 415-108-520 Membership Exceptions – Student & Spouse of Student

1. A person employed by a Washington State institution of higher education or community college (employer), who is employed at such institution or college primarily for the purpose of furthering her/his education or the education of the person's spouse, is excepted from membership in PERS when:
 - a. The person is full-time student or the spouse of a full-time student; AND
 - b. The person is employed at the same institution where she/he is a full-time student OR where the person's spouse is a full-time student; AND
 - c. The person determines her/his employment is primarily an incident to and in furtherance of her/his education or training, OR the education or training of the person's spouse.
2. For purposes of this section, RCW 41.40.120(7) shall be administered as follows:
 - a. When a person begins employment in a PERS eligible position, a determination shall be made by the person as to whether the provisions of this section apply. If this section applies to the person, she/he shall determine her/his membership status as either being excepted from membership in PERS, or being a member of PERS, based upon whether employment at the institution of higher education or community college is primarily as a incident to and in furtherance of her/his education or training, or the education or training of the person's spouse. The person shall notify the employer in writing of her/his determination of membership status no later than two months after commencing employment in a PERS eligible position.