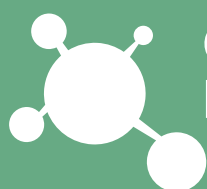


STAFF SUMMER HIRE GUIDELINES 2026



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TYPE OF ACTION	STAFF REQUISITION	EDA	COMMENTS
New Hire & Rehire (New students registered for Fall will be considered New Hire Staff)	Yes	N/A	Summer hire requisitions must be approved by the DOO or Department Lead in Taleo. In some cases, additional approval may be required from the COO or Provost's Office. All newly hired and rehired staff must check in remotely with Recruiting on the first day of employment to complete the necessary paperwork.
Minor Hire (Under the age of 18)	Yes	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ DIVISION APPROVAL - At campus, minors working in laboratories must be approved by the Division Chair or designee in consultation with the supervising Principal Investigator. Minors working in areas with restricted access must also be approved by the supervising Director. Consideration for approval should be on a case-by-case basis taking into account potential hazards associated with the specific research, the types of equipment to be used, and any potential chemical and/or biological exposures. In some cases, additional approvals may be required. ■ WORK PERMITS – Persons under the age of 18 who have not completed high school or the equivalent must provide a Work Permit authorized by the proper school district authorities. Recruiting will assist with obtaining and maintaining these forms. For additional information, PM 9-1 addresses details on the Employment of Minors and can be found on the HR website. ■ MEDICAL AUTHORIZATION FORM– Staff under 18 years of age must submit a Medical Authorization form for emergency treatment properly signed by a parent or legal guardian. Recruiting will handle obtaining and maintaining these forms. The forms are available through Recruiting, if needed.
Transfer from Student to Staff (Includes June graduates and students not registered for Fall)	Yes	No	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Bi-weekly payroll: students need to be transferred to staff effective the 1st Monday after term ends. ■ Monthly payroll: students who will only be here until June 30 do not need to be transitioned to staff. If they are staying beyond the end of the month, they need to be hired as staff effective July 1. ■ International students: cannot be employed as student-employees after they have graduated. A staff assignment will be required effective the 1st Monday after graduation.
Additional Assignment	Yes	No	New department has OVERTIME responsibility for non-exempt positions.

- Please provide your Recruiter with your summer hire's resume or CV that includes contact information.
- Please make a note when initiating a requisition that it will be for a Summer Hire.
- Questions regarding student hires should be directed to HR Records.

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Staff Requisition

Required for all staff hires, including June graduates of Caltech, and Caltech students not registered for Fall.

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Posting

All summer occasional positions must be posted on the Caltech Careers site for five days. Please allow at least two weeks for Recruitment to process your summer hire.

Staff Benefit Charge

The labor amount will be charged the FY26 paid leave rate of **18.75%** and a benefit rate of **25.10%**. Subject to change.

Minimum Rate

The current Caltech minimum rate is \$19 per hour.

Pre-employment Background Investigations

Background investigations are conducted on all newly hired staff employees, including summer hires, after a contingent offer has been made and before commencing work.

Physical Examinations

Candidates for any positions that involve lifting 25 pounds or more and/or exposure to potentially hazardous materials/ environments are required to complete a physical examination before their start date. For further information, please contact Recruiting at employment@caltech.edu.

Employment Eligibility Verification (Form I-9)

All new hire staff employees are required by law to complete Form I-9 Section 1 on or before their date of hire. The employee must not be allowed to continue working beyond the third day unless acceptable, original documents have been presented for Section 2. New hires will be sent Form I-9 electronically through our I-9 automated vendor (Equifax) for Section 1 and will receive instructions on how to complete Section 2 of the I-9 during the HR check-in on their first day, or with International Scholar Services.

Remote Work

Please inform Recruiting if you intend for the position to be performed remotely. Fully remote work is subject to HR approval before an offer is extended to a candidate. Hybrid remote work will require an approved remote work agreement after an employee begins their assignment.

Holiday Pay

All summer hires will be considered occasional employees and, therefore, will not be paid for holidays.

Benefits and Retirement Eligibility

Occasional hires are not eligible for Caltech health benefits or Base Retirement Plan.