

Announcement on Changes in the Standards for Part-time Work Permit for International Students (Profitable Research Activities)

- Notice on changes in the standards for profitable research activities/part-time work permit for international students (enforcement date: 2021.04.28)

Current Standard	Revised Standard
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Special cases of part-time work permit <p>Profitable research activities and internship for international students (D-2): <u>prohibited in principle</u></p> <p><u>- However, international students (D-2) whose academic studies essentially involve research/internship activities are exceptionally permitted.</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Special cases of part-time work permit <p>Profitable research activities of international students (D-2)</p>
<p><u>① Part-time work permit is not required for profitable research/internship activities related to academic studies in the affiliated university.</u></p>	<p>(Research activities within the affiliated university)</p> <p><u>① In the case that the student receives allowance from the university or industry-academic cooperation group,</u></p>

<p><u>- However, if student engages in personal profitable activities regardless of academic studies, he/she is required to apply for part-time work permit</u></p> <p>✘ <u>Courses required for graduation are accepted to be linked to academic studies, whereas elective courses are subject to work-permit application so as to determine the possibility of abuse.</u></p>	<p><u>i) Participation in research-related activities: exempt from part-time work permit application</u></p> <p><u>ii) Participation in research irrelevant to academic studies: part-time work permit application required</u></p> <p>✘ Academic linkage is <u>evaluated after submission of (1) confirmation letter from academic advisor and a (2) recommendation letter from the college or graduate school dean or higher</u></p>
<p><u>② Profitable internship activities related to academic studies outside of the affiliated university are permitted only after obtaining a part-time work permit</u></p>	<p><u>② (Profitable research activities outside of the affiliated university) In the case that the student receives research funds from the institution outside of one's university,</u></p>

- Personal profitable research activities outside are prohibited in principle

i) Participation in research related to academic studies: part-time work permit application required

✘ Academic linkage is evaluated after submission of (1) confirmation letter from academic advisor, (2) recommendation letter from college or graduate school dean or higher (3) a statement of reason for participation in research activities outside of one's affiliated university

ii) Participation in research irrelevant to academic studies: Permission for activities other than the reason for stay required

✘ Standards for evaluating permission for researcher (E-3) will be in accordance with the regulations stated in the Researcher (E-3) stay permit guidelines.

<p>③ Profitable research activities in government-funded research institutes in the field of natural sciences are permitted regardless of academic linkage through authorization of activities other than the original purpose of stay</p>	
<p>Example of Cases Exempt from Permit</p> <p>When an international student receives allowance for internships, participation in research projects, and etc. for credit acquisition</p> <p>☞ No permit is required for university related research projects that provide allowance. If an individual receives funds for participation in university research projects regardless of academic credit</p>	

acquisition and for personal reason, part-time work permit must be applied for.

- **Participation in research projects (regardless of required/optional status) is restricted to activities for course credit acquisition and thesis preparation in universities under the supervision of the advisor. Even if the student participates with a professor, he/she is required a permission if the project is held in an institution other than the affiliated university; if student participates in a research project organized outside of university (with exception of the joint university project), he/she must obtain part-time work permit.**

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※ The above standards also apply for
profitable internship activities.