

**How to initiate a graduate student hire in HCM:**

This job aid outlines how to initiate a graduate student hire.

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**Information**

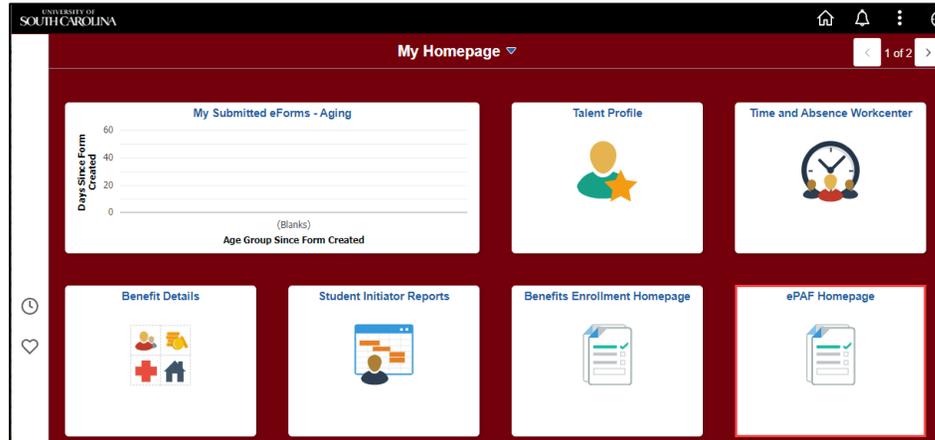
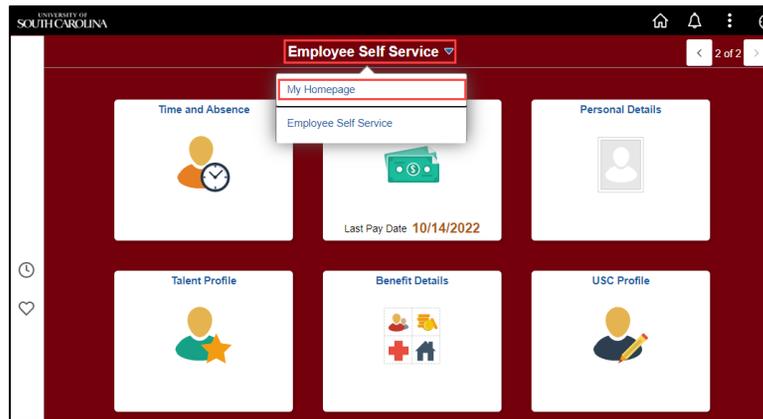
Those with Student Hire Representative Initiator access can take this action on all students enrolled on their campus.

**Initiating a graduate student hire:** In order to initiate a graduate student hire, take the following steps:

1. Click the **Employee Self-Service** drop-down menu button.
2. Click the **My Homepage** option in the drop-down.
3. Click the **ePAF Homepage** tile.

**NOTE:** You can also access ePAF Homepage from within the Student Initiator Workcenter.

**Screenshots**

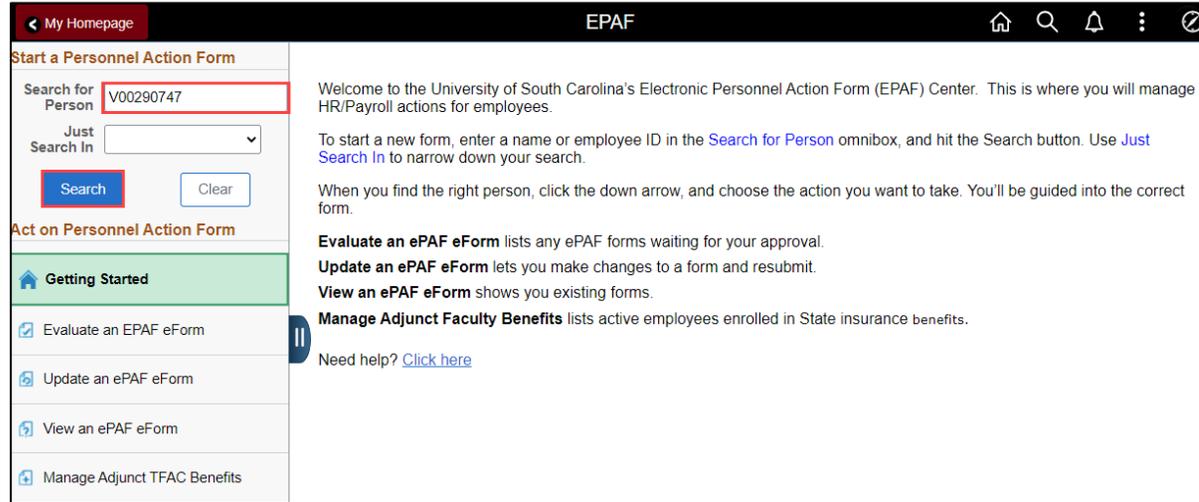


## University of South Carolina HCM HR Contact Resources Student Actions: Graduate Student Hire

On the ePAF homepage enter the student's full name (as displayed in Banner) or USC ID in the **Search for Person** field, then click the **Search** button.

The results that appear are referred to as **Search Cards**. If the student has more than one active hire numerous search cards will appear. To initiate a new hire, it does not matter which search card you select. Click the **Related Actions Menu** button.

The security for students is tied to the campus on which they are enrolled in classes. Any authorized Student Hire Representative with security access to a department on that campus has the ability to initiate a Student Hire eForm for the student. However, if the Student Hire Representative's security access is for a department on the Columbia campus but the student is enrolled at USC Aiken, the individual will not be able to initiate the eForm. In these scenarios complete and submit the paper student hire request to your assigned Service Team in central HR.



The screenshot shows the ePAF homepage with the following elements:

- Search for Person:** A text input field containing "V00290747" is highlighted with a red box. Below it is a "Just Search In" dropdown menu and a "Search" button.
- Act on Personnel Action Form:** A list of actions including "Evaluate an ePAF eForm", "Update an ePAF eForm", "View an ePAF eForm", and "Manage Adjunct TFAC Benefits".
- Getting Started:** A green header for a section containing the same list of actions.
- Right Column:** Welcome message and instructions: "Welcome to the University of South Carolina's Electronic Personnel Action Form (EPAF) Center. This is where you will manage HR/Payroll actions for employees. To start a new form, enter a name or employee ID in the Search for Person omnibox, and hit the Search button. Use Just Search In to narrow down your search. When you find the right person, click the down arrow, and choose the action you want to take. You'll be guided into the correct form." Below this are links for "Evaluate an ePAF eForm", "Update an ePAF eForm", "View an ePAF eForm", and "Manage Adjunct Faculty Benefits".



The screenshot shows the ePAF search results page with the following elements:

- Search for Person:** A text input field containing "V00290747" and a "Search" button.
- Student Profile Card:** A card for Caitlyn Jamison Mettetal with the following details:
 

<b>Student</b>	Empl ID V00290747	City Sumter
	Empl Record 2	State SC
	Term Fall 2022	
Caitlyn Jamison Mettetal <span>Year in School Graduate</span>		

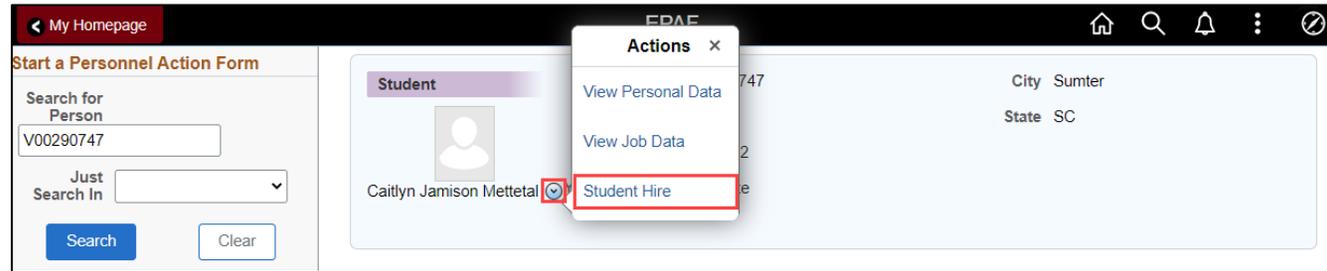
The **Related Actions Menu** shows all of the actions/eForms which the user has authority to initiate on this specific employee's EMPL record.

The **Student Hire eForm** is used to hire current students in a student employment capacity.

From the Related Actions Menu, select the **Student Hire** option.

Note: The **Student Hire eForm** will display the student's enrollment data as of the date the eForm is initiated (the data is based on a set point in time and does not update once initiated).

- **Graduate students (no assistantship)** must be enrolled in 6 credit hours during the fall/spring semesters. No enrollment requirement for the summer.
- **Graduate students (with assistantship)** must be enrolled in 6 credit hours during the fall/spring semesters or have approved Z-status from Grad School allowing for less enrollment. No enrollment requirement for the summer.



My Homepage

Start a Personnel Action Form

Search for Person  
V00290747

Just Search In

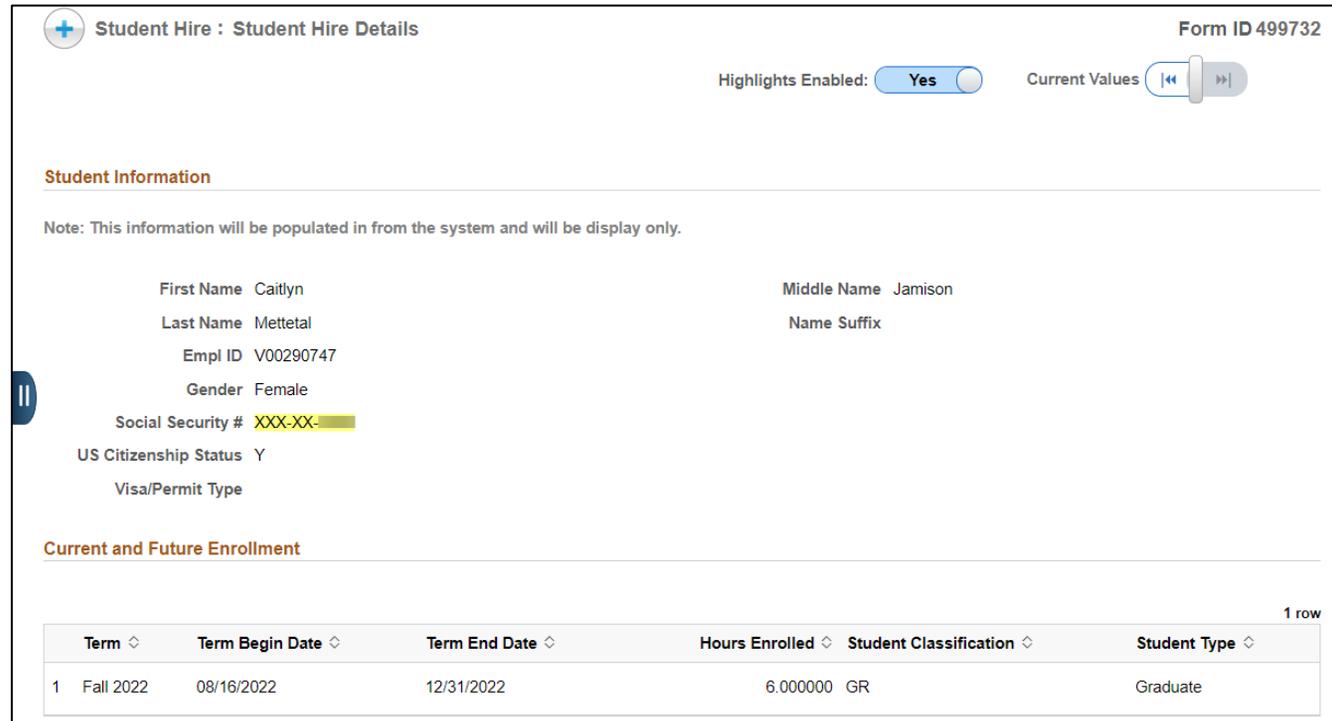
Search Clear

Student  
Caitlyn Jamison Mettetal

City Sumter  
State SC

Actions x

- View Personal Data
- View Job Data
- Student Hire



Student Hire : Student Hire Details Form ID 499732

Highlights Enabled:  Yes Current Values

**Student Information**

Note: This information will be populated in from the system and will be display only.

First Name Caitlyn Middle Name Jamison  
Last Name Mettetal Name Suffix  
Empl ID V00290747  
Gender Female  
Social Security # XXX-XX-  
US Citizenship Status Y  
Visa/Permit Type

**Current and Future Enrollment**

Term	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Hours Enrolled	Student Classification	Student Type
1 Fall 2022	08/16/2022	12/31/2022	6.000000	GR	Graduate

1 row

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Note: The **Student Hire eForm** also displays the student's other active jobs (if applicable) as of the date the eForm is initiated (the data is based on a set point in time and does not update once initiated). If no other active jobs the section does not appear on the eForm.

- **International students** cannot work more than 20 hours per week during the academic year while classes are in session. They may work over 20 hours per week during official university breaks or during the summer if they intend to enroll for the subsequent semester.
- **Graduate students (with assistantship)** are capped at 20 hours per week, however graduate students may submit an Appeal to the Graduate School to request increased hours during the Fall and Spring semesters up to 25 hours per week. No appeal is necessary during the summer, but graduate students are capped at 28 hours per week.
- **Graduate students (no assistantship)** must not work over 40 hours per week across all active on-campus appointments.

**Other Active Jobs**

							1 row
	Empl Record ◇	Department ◇	Description ◇	Standard Hours ◇	Start Date ◇	End Date ◇	
1	2	130100	BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES	10.00	08/16/2022	12/31/2022	

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**Completing the Student Hire eForm:**

1. Enter the **Job Begin Date**.
2. Enter the **Job End Date**.
3. Click the **Job Code** lookup button (magnifying glass icon) to select the appropriate job code for this student hire. Note FLSA and employee type automatically populate based on the job code selection and cannot be edited.

**Hire Information**

\*Job Begin Date  

\*Job End Date  

\*Job Code  

Internal Title

\*Campus  

**Lookup**

Search for: Job Code

Search Criteria

Search Results

15 rows

Value	Description
SFHG	Grad Work Study - No Asstship
SFNG	Grad Work Study-Sum NonEnroll
SFNU	Ugrad Work Study-Sum NonEnroll
SFWG	Grad Work Study with Asstship
SFWR	Undergraduate Work Study
SGAA	Graduate Athletics Assistant
<b>SGIA</b>	<b>Graduate Instructional Asst</b>
SGNA	Graduate Student - No Asstship
SGRA	Graduate Research Assistant
SGRH	Graduate Residence Assistant
SGST	Graduate Staff Assistant
SGTA	Graduate Teaching Assistant
SUEA	Undergraduate Assistant
SURA	Undergraduate Research Asst

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4. Enter an **Internal Title** for the student, if applicable. This step is primarily important for hourly students as that is what they see displayed in their timesheet selector.
5. Enter the **Department** number (the name will populate to the right of the field).
6. Enter the **Location** code of the building (the name will populate to the right of the field).
7. Enter the **Supervisor's USC ID** (the name will populate to the right of the field).
8. Enter the **Tax Location Code**. This is vital to ensure the student is taxed appropriately for the state in which the work is being performed.
9. Enter the **Salary/Total Payment** for the hire. Minimum compensation for graduate students on the Columbia campus is \$14.00 per hour (salary rates must equate to this hourly rate minimum).

**Hire Information**

\*Job Begin Date: 11/21/2022      \*Job End Date: 05/15/2023

\*Job Code: SGIA Graduate Instructional Asst      Internal Title: SGIA for MGMT 101

\*Campus: SCCOL

\*Department: 150115 DMSB Management      \*Location: 234 Darla Moore School Of Business

\*Supervisor ID: A01755324 Andrew Wijesekera

\*Tax Location Code: SC South Carolina      FLSA Status: Exempt

Employee Type: Salaried Employees

\*Salary/Total Payment: 5000.00      \*Full/Part Time: Part-Time

\*Standard Hours: 10.00

**Account Funding**

Amount	Percent of Distribution	Select Chartstring	Operating Unit	Department	Fund Code	Account	Class Field	Business Unit	Project/Grant	Activity ID	Cost Share	Combination Code	Insert A Row	Delete A Row
1	0.000000	0.000000											+	-

Funding Distribution Total

Percent Total: 0.00

If you enter an hourly rate greater than \$25.00 or a salary greater than \$20,000, an Acknowledgement will trigger at the bottom of the form.

10. Enter the **Standard Hours** (hours per week). Based on the amount entered, the **Annualized Salary** will automatically calculate (for students paid a salary).
11. Click the **Select Chartstring** button to enter the funding for this hire.

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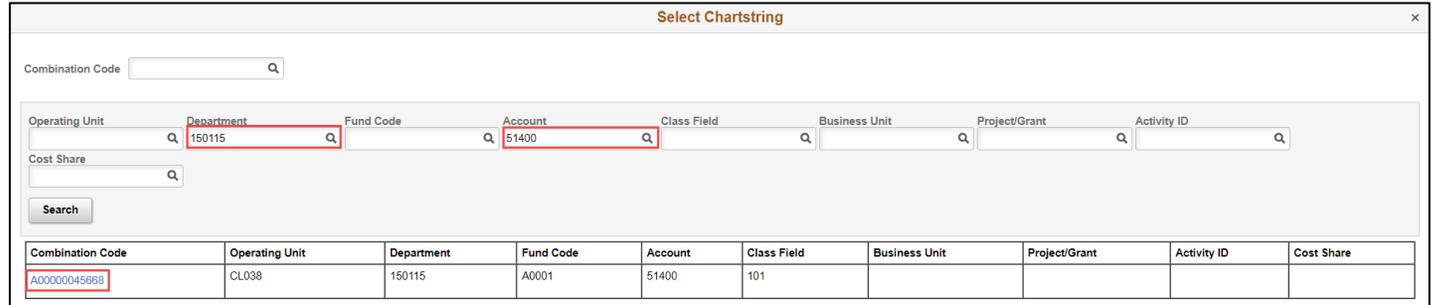
12. In the **Select Chartstring** search fields enter information for your department funding.

Student Account codes:

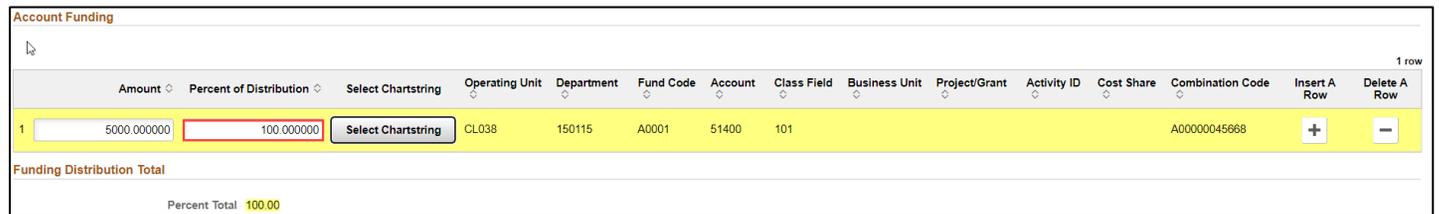
- 51400 – all non-workstudy students
- 51422 – all workstudy students

13. Click the **Search** button and select the appropriate **Combination Code** link from the search results.

14. If this is the only source of funding for the hire enter **100** in the **Percent of Distribution** field. If another funding source is needed enter the Percent of Distribution associated with this chartstring and then click the **Plus +** button to add another row of funding (following steps 11-14).



Combination Code	Operating Unit	Department	Fund Code	Account	Class Field	Business Unit	Project/Grant	Activity ID	Cost Share
<a href="#">A00000045668</a>	CL038	150115	A0001	51400	101				



Amount	Percent of Distribution	Select Chartstring	Operating Unit	Department	Fund Code	Account	Class Field	Business Unit	Project/Grant	Activity ID	Cost Share	Combination Code	Insert A Row	Delete A Row
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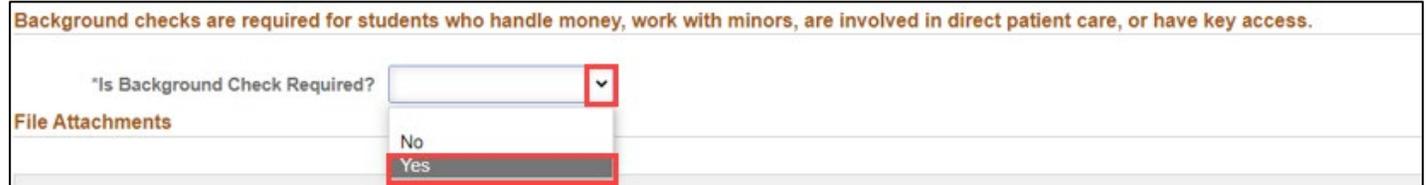
Funding Distribution Total

Percent Total 100.00

15. Click the **Is Background Check Required?** drop-down menu button and select **Yes** or **No**.

Most students do not require a background screening unless they fall into certain categories such as:

- Handling money
- Working with minors
- Involved with direct patient care
- Have key access



Background checks are required for students who handle money, work with minors, are involved in direct patient care, or have key access.

\*Is Background Check Required?

**File Attachments**

No

Yes

I-9 completion is a federal requirement for all employment types. Employees should have only one valid I-9 on file. To confirm if an individual has a valid I-9 on file, reach out to your assigned Service Team. Duplicate cases may result in fines from the Federal Government which will be passed to the department responsible for the duplication.

- **Future Dated Hire** – The hire is future dated, and the I-9 will be completed at time of hire.
- **I-9 Verified as Current** – The I-9 is completed and current, meaning the student has not had more than a 1-year gap in employment with USC.
- **New Case Created** – First time hire or the individual has had more than a 1-year gap in employment with USC.

16. Click the **Select Student I-9 Status** drop-down menu button and select the applicable status.

#### I9 VERIFICATION

As a Student Hire Representative, you are required to validate a student's eligibility to work in the US before they can start working.

[Click here](#) to verify the student's eligibility to work in the University's I9 Verification system.

- Select Student I-9 Status
  - [Future Dated Hire](#)
    - The hire is future dated and I-9 will be verified at time of hire.
  - [I9 Verified as Current](#)
    - The I-9 case is valid as long as the student employee is continuously employed by UofSC or has not had a gap in employment of 1 year or more. Contact your Service Team to verify I-9 status of a student who has worked outside of your assigned area.
  - [New Case Created](#)
    - If the student employee is a first time hire or has been separated for 1 year or more, you must initiate a new I-9 Advantage case and verify the employee's documents.
      - NOTE: There should only be one current I-9 Advantage case on file for each employee, duplication of cases may result in fines from the Federal Government which will be passed to the department responsible for the duplication.

\*Select Student I-9 Status

Future Dated Hire

I9 Verified as Current

New Case Created

The only time an attachment is required for a graduate student hire is if the student is international. In these scenarios, the **Payroll International Tax Form** will automatically appear as required.

Offer letters are not a required attachment. At time of final approval, the student will receive an automated confirmation email detailing the specifics of this work assignment.

17. If hiring an international student, click the **Upload** button and follow the onscreen prompts to attach the **Payroll International Tax Form** from your desktop.

File Attachments				
Status	Action	Description	File Name	Remove
1 	<a href="#">View</a>	Payroll International Tax Form	TALFONSO2022-03-03-12.09.40hr27.pdf	<a href="#">Replace</a>
<a href="#">Add</a>				

Depending on the type of student and hire situation there are three **Acknowledgements** you may see when hiring an undergraduate student.

- **Background screening** requirement. This acknowledgement appears when you select Yes to the background screening question earlier in the eForm.
- **Internal title** field blank. This acknowledgement appears when the internal title field is blank. This field is important for hourly students as it appears on their timesheet.
- **Salary** entered is above the typical rates for undergrad hires (\$25.00/hr or \$20,000 salary)

18. Click the Yes/No toggle button to **Yes** on all acknowledgements.

19. Review your work on the eForm. Once you've confirmed the data click the **Submit** button. The eForm has successfully submitted! Always click the **View Approval Route** button to see the workflow steps for this action.

**Action Items**

Acknowledgement	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	I acknowledge that a background check is required for students handling money, working with minors, involved in direct patient care, or have key access. I have initiated a background check if required or verified the student has an existing background check on file that is not more than 3 years old.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	WARNING: The internal title field was left blank. Internal title appears in the timesheet and helps students, who have multiple jobs and record working hours, identify which job to record working time. If this was missed, please enter an internal title. If the job doesn't have an internal title, click "Yes" and proceed with submitting the student hire form.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	WARNING: The salary entered is higher than what is typically expected for a student employee. Please verify the salary has been entered correctly. If the salary is correct, please click Yes and proceed. If the salary is not correct, please correct and proceed.

▶ **Comments**

Search Save **Submit**

**+ Student Hire : Finalized**

**Completed**

You have successfully submitted your eForm.  
The eForm has been routed to the next approval step.  
[multiple approvers.](#)

**View Approval Route**

▶ **Signature/Action Logs**

20. The Approval Route shows the workflow steps for the specific action you submitted. All student action eForms route to the Student Campus Approver. Depending on the action, the action may route to Financial Aid, Grant Approver, and/or the Graduate School before executing in the system.

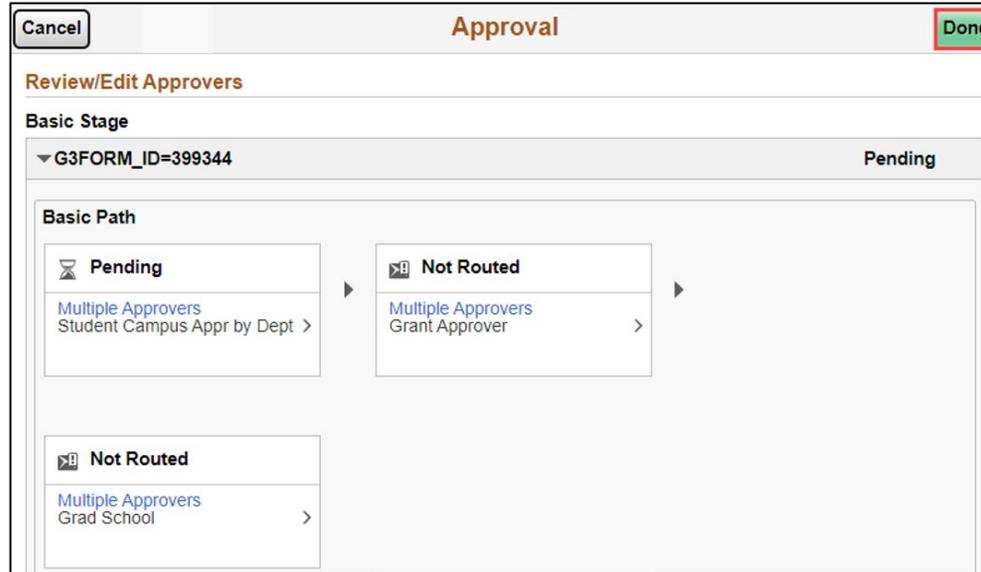
The Division of HR is not in the workflow for approval of graduate student hires, so it is vital to ensure eForm accuracy prior to submission.

21. Upon review of the workflow, click the **Done** button.

Once the eForm is approved by the last approver in the workflow, the eForm will execute into the system. At time of final approval, the student will receive an automated confirmation email detailing the specifics of this work assignment.

Students being hired for the first time (new hires) will receive a consolidated email that addresses both onboarding and hire confirmation.

You have successfully initiated a **Graduate Student Hire!**



The screenshot shows a web-based approval workflow interface. At the top, there are 'Cancel' and 'Done' buttons. The main heading is 'Approval'. Below this, there is a section titled 'Review/Edit Approvers'. Underneath, it shows 'Basic Stage' for 'G3FORM\_ID=399344' with a status of 'Pending'. The 'Basic Path' section contains three steps in a sequence: 
 

- Step 1: 'Pending' with 'Multiple Approvers Student Campus Appr by Dept >'.
- Step 2: 'Not Routed' with 'Multiple Approvers Grant Approver >'.
- Step 3: 'Not Routed' with 'Multiple Approvers Grad School >'.

 Arrows indicate the flow from step 1 to step 2, and from step 2 to step 3.