

# EPAF Manual

## Student Employee/Work Study Hire

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PURPOSE

Use this procedure to enter personal information and appointment information for a new student hire. Perform this procedure when a person is hired by an authorizing individual.

PREREQUISITES

- Required legal documents collected
  - W-4
  - I-9
  - Direct Deposit Form
- Verification that documents are completed accurately
- Complete department section of PAF form

MENU PATH

*Standard Menu:*

- Human Resources → Personnel Management → HR Master Data → Electronic PAF

*Simplified Menu:*

- Human Resources → Electronic Personnel Action Form (EPAF)

TRANSACTION CODE

ZEPAF PROCEDURE

**Note:** ~~If the SSN# is unknown or if the employee has dual employment with both NU and NSCS and the personnel number has not yet been assigned (i.e., 666+personnel number), the SSN# field on the initial screen can be bypassed by entering 99999999. Info type 0002 will need to updated, however, once the SSN# is known.~~

The following document provides instructions for completing the personal information, the appointment data and the workflow process for an EPAF new hire. The document begins with the personal information. SAP is case sensitive; use a combination of upper and lower case when filling in the fields.

1. (Required) In the *Last* field, enter **employee’s legal last name**.
2. (Required) In the *First* field, enter **employee’s legal first name**.
3. (Required) In the *Middle init* field, enter **employee’s middle initial**.
4. (Conditional) In the *Last name at birth* field, enter **employee’s maiden name** only if different than current last name.
5. (Required) In the *Address line 1* field, enter **employee’s permanent address**.
6. (Required) In the *City/Campus* field, enter **city** associated with permanent address.
7. (Required) In the *State* field, enter **state** associated with permanent address.
8. (Required) In the *Zip* field, enter the **zip code** associated with permanent address.

9. (Optional) In the *E-mail* field, enter employee's **email address**.
10. (Required) In the (####) field, enter **area code** of employee's permanent phone number.
11. (Required) In the *Phone #* field, enter the **employee's phone number** associated with permanent address.
12. (Required) In the *WA Address line 1* field, enter **abbreviated building name** of work address.
13. (Required) In the *WA Address line 2* field, enter **room number** of building associated with work address.

**Note:** Use [US Postal code](#) format abbreviations. Do not use periods or special characters.

14. (Required) In the *WA City/Campus* field, enter **campus** associated with work address.
15. (Conditional) In the *WA County* field, enter **county** if work address is an extension office.
16. (Required) In the *WA State* field, enter **state** associated with work address.
17. (Required) In the *WA ZIP* field, enter **zip code** associated with work address.
18. (Required) In the *WA (####)* field, enter **area code** of employee's work phone number.
19. (Required) In the *WA Phone #* field, enter employee's **work phone number**.  
Only complete current address (CA) fields if different than permanent address.
20. (Conditional) In the *CA Address line 1* field, enter **employee's current address**.
21. (Conditional) In the *CA Address line 2* field, enter **employee's current address**.
22. (Conditional) In the *CA City/Campus* field, enter **city** associated with current address.
23. (Conditional) In the *CA State* field, enter **state** associated with current address.
24. (Conditional) In the *CA ZIP* field, enter **zip code** associated with current address.
25. (Conditional) In the *CA (####)* field, enter **area code** of employee's current phone number.
26. (Conditional) In the *CA Phone #* field, enter **phone number** associated with current address.
27. (Optional) In the *EC In care of* field, enter **name of emergency contact**.
28. (Optional) In the *EC (####)* field, enter **area code of emergency contact's phone number**.
29. (Optional) In the *EC Phone #* field, enter **phone number of emergency contact**.
30. (Required) In the *Birth date* field, enter **employee's date of birth**.
31. (Required) In the *Ethnic origin* field, select description of **employee's ethnic origin**.
32. (Required) In the *Gender* field, select appropriate radio button for **employee's gender**.
33. (Conditional) in the *Disability date* field, enter the **date the employee notified you of his/her disability**.
34. (Conditional) In the *Military status* field, if indicated by information provided by the employee, enter **military status code**.
35. (Required) In the *First work date* field, **enter date employee will be reporting to work**.
36. (Required) In the *Contract length* field, enter appropriate **contract length code** based on employee's term of employment.

**Note:** This field collects the time frame of the employee hire, as well as the method of payment. If you are not familiar with these terms, contact your HR Coordinator to confirm which contract length is appropriate for this specific hiring action.

37. (Required) In the *I-9 date* field, enter **date employer signed the I-9 form**.
38. (Required) In the *Filing Status* field, enter **filing status code** as indicated by employee.
39. (Conditional) In the *Allowances* field, enter any **allowances** (a number between 1 and 9) as indicated by the employee (or leave blank).
40. (Conditional) In the *FICA Exempt* field, **check the checkbox** if exempt; otherwise, leave blank.

**Note:** FICA exemption is based on credit hours. A student must be registered for half-time or more to be exempt. Contact your payroll office for additional information.

- 41. (Required) In the *Credit hours* field, enter **total number of credit hours** the student is enrolled in in the current session.
- 42. (Required) In the *Hours worked* field, enter the **amount of hours** the employee will work in an average week.
- 43. (Required) In the *Pay method* field, enter **payroll method** (1= payroll check; 2 = payroll direct deposit) as indicated by employee.
- 44. (Required) In the *Bank ID* field, Enter 9-digit **bank route transit number** shown on employee’s supporting banking documentation.
- 45. (Required) In the *Account* field, enter employee’s **bank account number**. Extra zeroes must be included. (No spaces are allowed)
- 46. (Required) in the *Checking/Savings* field, select the **type of account**.
- 47. (Required) in the *Pay distribution* field, select **where the employee’s pay advice will be delivered**.

**Electronic PAF Student Hire**

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Name: [ ] SSN: 123-99-6789 Position: 2091 Graduate Teaching Asst  
 Employee subgroup: D1 STD GRAD ASST SAL Org. unit: 50002050 Anthropology and Geography UNL

NAME  
 Last: Cabot First: Charlotte Middle init: A Last name at birth: [ ]

T.	In care of	Address line 1	Address line 2	City/Campus	County	State	ZIP	E-mail	(###)	Phone #
1		1015 Walnut St		Springfield		MO	65806		417	836-2323
WA		ANDN	340	UNL		NE	68588...		402	472-5555
CA		1519 A St	Apt 6	Lincoln		NE	68502	CCABOT@HOT...	402	466-8585
EC	Robert & ...X			X		NE	68000		417	836-5002

Gender:  Female  Male  TBD  
 Birth date: 05/20/1980 Disability date: [ ]  
 First work date: 08/15/2005 I-9 date: 08/10/2005  
 Ethnic origin: 02 Black-Non Hispa Military status: [ ] Contract length: 03 10/10 months

W-4 tax information: Filing status: 01 Single Allowances: [ ] FICA tax information: FICA exempt?  Yes (blank if No)  
 Credit hours: 09 Hours worked: 20


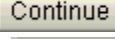
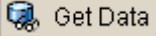


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 Account: 3354525 Checking/Savings: Checking Account Pay distribution: Department






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- 48. Click **Enter** (✓) to validate the information. If any information is missing or incorrect the system will give you an edit message.

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**Note:** If you have missing and/or incorrect information you can click  Park Data and the information you have entered will be saved. A message will appear, click  Continue. This information can be retrieved at any time from the Initial Entry screen. Click  Get Data and enter employee's social security number in the pop-up box and click **Continue** (  ). Click  Yes to retrieve the data.

49. (Optional) Click  Comment if you want to add comments. When adding a comment, note which screen and time you are commenting on, it's current content, what the content should be changed to and any description needed to explain. These comments can later be viewed on the employee's Action screen (IT0000). To view the comments, click **Display Text** (  ).
50. Click **Next Screen** (  ) to continue the process or if you wish to exit and not save this hire action click **Cancel** (  ) or **Exit** (  ). Answer the prompts appropriately.
51. Complete the following for paid appointments:
  - (Required) In the *Start date* field, **enter appointment begin date**. All appointments must have the same start dates.
  - (Required) In the *End date* field, enter **appointment end date**. If not know, enter 12/31/9999.
  - (Required) In the *Staffing %* field, enter **percent of effort** for a position comparted to all positions held. Use 100 when there is only one position.
  - (Required) In the *Amt to pay* field, enter the **total amount to be paid** for the appointment period.
  - (Required) In the *FTE%* field, enter **percentage of time expected to work** based on a 40-hour work week.
52. Complete the following for unpaid appointments:
  - (Required) In the *Start date* field, **enter appointment begin date**.
  - (Required) In the *End date* field, enter **appointment end date**. If not know, enter 12/31/9999.
  - (Required) In the *Title* field, enter **position title**.
  - (Required) In the *Org unit field*, enter the **organizational unit**.
  - (Optional) In the *T mod* field, enter **a title modifier**.

**Note:** Each line represents an additional appointment, but the first line **must** correspond with the position initially entered. All appointments **must** have the same pay dates.

53. (Required) In the *Cost center/WBS* field, enter the **funding source for each position**.
54. (Required) In the *Pay rate* field, enter the **hourly or salaried amount** to be paid.
55. (Required) In the *Cost dist%* field, enter the **percentage of cost** assigned to each funding source.

The Graduate degree program information section only appears for graduate student hires.

56. (Conditional) In the *Level* field, select **Doctorate** or **Masters**.
57. (Conditional) In the *Area* field, enter **area of degree program**.
58. (Conditional) In the *Advisor* field, enter **advisor's first and last names**.

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Name: Charlotte A Cabot    SSN: 123-99-6789    Position: 2091 Graduate Teaching Asst  
 Employee subgroup: D1 STD GRAD ASST SAL    Org. unit: 50002050 Anthropology and Geography UNL

**Organizational**

Paid appointments IT9001/IT0001

Start date	End date	Position	Position description	Staffing %	Subgroup	Org unit description	Amt to pay	FTE %
08/15/2005	12/2006	2091		100.00			1,000.00	49.00

Unpaid appointments IT9001

Start date	End date	Title	T mod	Org unit	Org unit description
			Not Need...		

Cost Distribution IT9027

Start date	Cost center/WBS	Position	Wage type	Pay rate	Cost dist%
08/15/2005	2105060001	2091	Fellowsh...	1,000.000	

**Graduate degree program information**

Level: Doctorate  
 Area: Anthropology  
 Advisor: William Jones  
 Put the fellowship names(s) in the workflow comments section.

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59. Click **Enter** (✓) to validate the information. If any information is missing or incorrect the system will give you an edit message.

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## Workflow Process

After completing the EPAF process and providing the list of parallel approvers you will have a workflow item delivered to your SAP Inbox. This will be your last opportunity to validate the data and add any comments before the data is released to the parallel approvers and the EPAF Functional Office.

65. Follow menu path: **Office**→**Business Workplace**→**Workflow**. Your inbox will open each time you open SAP if there are remaining inbox items. You can click **Exit** (🚪) to close the inbox and access other transactions.
66. Double-click **Execute** (🔍) next to the item you want to validate or add comments.





Workflow 3						
Ex...	Title	Status	Creation D...	Creation ...	Att...	Co... W...
🔍	Validate employee 00099962 Amanda N Cabot hire	📦	06/14/2005	10:54:25	5	

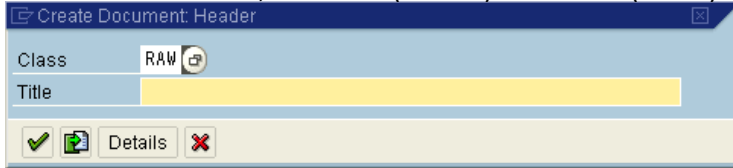
## Decision Step in Workflow

67. There are three ways to validate an employee:
  - On the left side of the screen under 'Description', review employee information using the scroll bar.
  - On the right side of the screen under 'Objects and attachments', click the link with the employee's personnel number to bring up the PA20 HR Master Data screen.
  - Click **Display/Review Employee Action** to review in Personnel Data/Action Form format with Adobe Reader.

The screenshot shows the 'Decision Step in Workflow' window. At the top, it displays the title 'Validate employee 00099962 Amanda N Cabot hire'. Below this, there are four alternative actions: 'Display/Review Employee Hire', 'Print Workitem Text & Checklist', 'Release Employee', and 'Cancel and keep work item in inbox'. The 'Description' section provides instructions on how to review the hire information and what to do if errors are found. It also lists 'Required Manual Forms to Attach', including W-4, University of Nebraska Multiple Direct Deposit Form, and I-9 Employment Eligibility Verification. The 'Objects and attachments' section shows a link to 'Employee: 00099962'. At the bottom, the user's name 'Name: Scott M Wandzilak' is displayed.



68. If comments are needed for corrections or updates to the data on the EPAF screen, click  **Create**. The Create Document Header pop-up box will appear. Class selection should always be RAW. Title should include the subject matter (i.e., Incorrect WBS). Click Continue (). Type comments as needed, click Save (). Click Back ().



69. Click **Print Workitem Text & Checklist** to get a printed hardcopy. This step is only required for some campuses before the work item is allowed to be released. If required by your campus, attach printed hardcopy to other legally required documents and forward to the EPAF Functional Office.

70. Click **Cancel and keep work item in inbox** to bring you back to the workflow inbox without taking any action on the new hire.

71. If you are ready to release the new hire, click **Release Employee**. The work item will no longer appear in your workflow inbox. You will receive a confirmation form the EPAF Functional Office when the PAF process is complete and is available for payroll processing.

72. The final step is to clear the inbox message that is received when the release is done.

- Follow menu path: **Office** → **Business Workplace** → **Workflow**.
- Double click on the work item to be removed.

73. Click **Complete Review** to remove work item from inbox.



## Workflow Item Reminder Email

SAP checks for unopened workflow items twice a day at 9:00 AM and 2:00 PM and an email notification is sent to the user as a reminder. For example, if a user receives a new workflow item at 3:00 PM an email notification would be sent the following day at 9:00 AM if the work item had not been previously opened. Regardless of the quantity of new work items, only one email will be delivered, thus a maximum of two email reminders would be generated in a single day.