

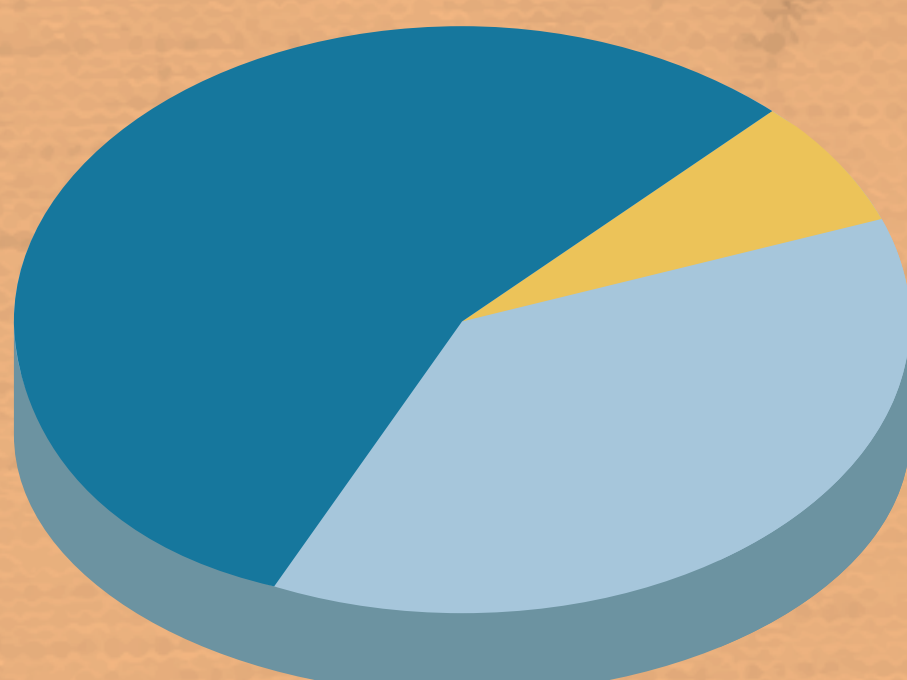
## PART-TIME JOBS

# PROS AND CONS

Part-time employees render less than 40 hours of work.

**41.8 Million Employed Filipinos**  
(As of January 2018)

**63.6%**  
Full-time  
workers



**1.2%**  
People with job  
but not at work

**35.2%**  
Part-time  
workers

Source: <http://psa.gov.ph/>

## Why Do Students Choose to Have Part-Time Jobs?

With the increasing costs of pursuing a degree, students start to look for jobs to earn extra income for their expenses at school.

Learn the advantages and disadvantages of having a part-time job while studying.

## PROS

### Earn Extra Money

The primary reason students take on a part-time job is to earn extra income. It helps lessen the financial burden of your parents. Spare cash can support your daily expenses and major projects at school.

### Experience the Professional World

A part-time job is an avenue to apply the concepts from your subjects and a glimpse to your possible career path. Even if the job is not directly related to your course, you will surely gain skills you need in the future.

### Save Money at an Early Age

Earning money at an early age will teach you how to save. Spending time and energy at work will motivate you not to spend on things you do not need.

### Enrich Valuable Experience for Your Future Career

Taking on a part-time job will practice your job interview skills. It is your advantage that you can spice up your curriculum vitae or resume with relevant experiences for your future endeavors.

### Improve Your Time Management Skill

If you think it is impossible to have a job while finishing a degree, you might be wrong. Pile of schoolwork along with the office work will stretch your ability to manage your time. This skill is a good characteristic that employees look for in a candidate.

### Widen Your Professional Network

Your job will give you the opportunity to meet professionals that could help you decide on your career path. Growing professional network means more career opportunities.

## CONS

### Spend Less Time with Family and Friends

Studying and working could mean less time to spend with family and friends. Your part-time job compromises your quality time with your loved ones.

### Interfere School Performance

Workloads can sometimes distract you from your studies. Disappointments and failures at work might negatively affect your grades and performance in school.

### Receive Fewer Benefits

Companies differ on this matter, but they do not receive the same benefits as full-time employees such as health insurance, sick leave, holiday pay, and more.

### Leave College Due to Exhaustion

Not all jobs are enjoyable—they could increase your stress level. Exhaustion from work might push your limit and give up the school instead.

### Invite Alcohol and Drug Use

A team of researchers from University of Virginia reveals that substance abuse is higher for students who work 20 or more hours per week. This applies to part-time students who want to deviate their attention from stress and pressure.

### Earn Less to No Promotion

It is rare for companies to grant promotion to employees who work part time. No matter how good they are at their job, they may not get a chance to showcase their expertise.

## Pointers:

**1**

Prioritize your studies because a degree will open doors of career opportunities.

**2**

Manage your time properly to succeed both in studying and working.

**3**

Apply for government scholarships available in your place to aid financial support.

**4**

Remember that you are steps ahead of your competitors in your future profession.