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# Approve Payable Time Guide

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How to Use Timesheets to Approve Employee Payable Time

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## Preface

### Who Should Read This Guide

This guide should be read by supervisors, managers and any other member of the San Francisco State University community who wants to know how to approve payable time using the Timesheets system.

### When You Need Help

If you need help, select the ⓘ icon to return to this guide.

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## SF State Gateway Log-in

You will log-in to SF State Gateway in order to view payable time for approval.

1. Log-in to the SF State Gateway. The **SF State Gateway Page** appears
2. Select the **Second Level Approver** link on your gateway page. The Timesheet Summary Page appears.

**Next Step:** [Approve Payable Time Page](#)

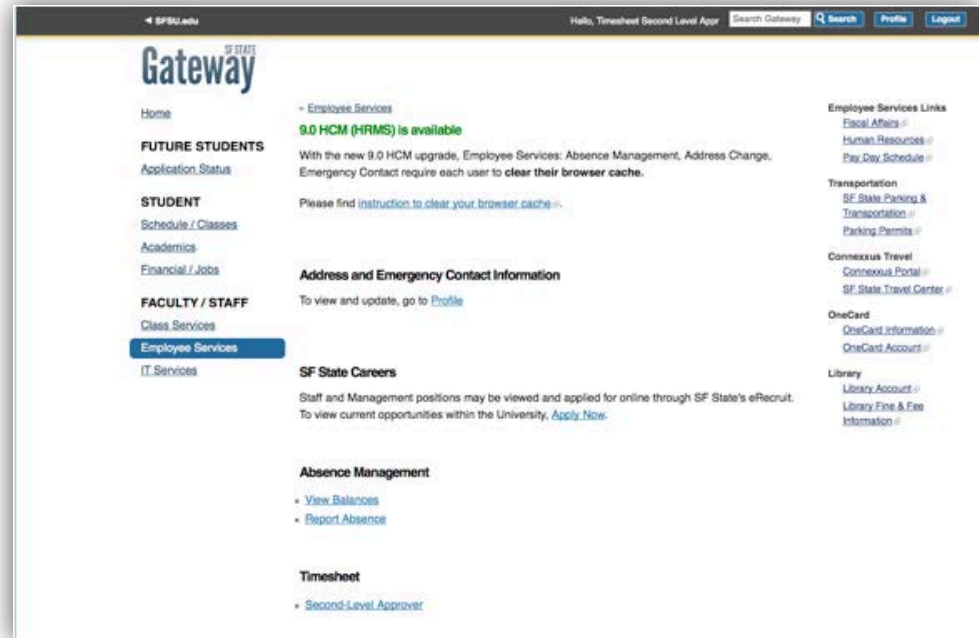


Figure 1 Second Level Approver Gateway Link

## Approve Payable Time Page

Use the **Approve Payable Time Page** (shown to the right) to approve payable time for the reporting period. The Approve Payable Time Page displays the information and fields listed below:

- A. Employee Selection Criteria
- B. Reporting Period Fields
- C. ⓘ—Select this link to view this tutorial from the Timesheet Page.
- D. List of employees with payable hours that require approval
- E. The **Approve** button

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**Attention:** Any time not approved will remain on your list of employees with payable hours that require approval...

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**Next Step:** [View Payable Time Listing](#)

The screenshot shows the 'Approve Payable Time' interface. At the top, there's a section for 'Employee Selection Criteria' with fields for Group ID, Empl ID, and Empl Rod Nbr, each with a search icon. Below these are buttons for 'Clear Selection Criteria', 'Save Selection Criteria', and 'Get Employees'. A yellow bracket labeled 'A' encompasses this entire section. Below the selection criteria is the 'Reporting Period Fields' section, featuring 'Start Date' (04/01/2012) and 'End Date' (04/30/2012) with dropdown arrows, and a 'Refresh' button. A yellow bracket labeled 'B' encompasses these date fields. Below the dates is a link 'Click for Instructions' with an information icon, labeled 'C'. The main part of the page is a table titled 'Employees For Michael Martin'. The table has columns: Select, Name, Employee ID, Empl Rod Nbr, Job, Job Description, Total Payable Hours, Department, Workgroup, Taskgroup, Business Unit, and Location Code. One row is visible for John Smith with Employee ID 999999999, Job 0 1871, Job Description 'Stdnt Trainee On-Cmps WS', Total Payable Hours 8.000000, Department 6115, Workgroup STUDENTS, Taskgroup CSU, Business Unit SFCMP, and Location Code ON CAMPUS. A yellow bracket labeled 'D' encompasses the table. Below the table are 'Select All' and 'Clear All' checkboxes, and an 'Approve' button, labeled 'E'.

Figure 2 Approve Payable Time Page

## View Payable Time Listing

### Employee Selection Criteria

Use the **Employee Selection Criteria** fields to list a specific set of one or more employees with payable time.

1. Enter your search criteria in the **Group ID (the Dept. ID)**, **Empl ID** and/or **Empl Rcd Nbr** fields.
2. The **Start Date** and **End Date** fields default to the current pay period. You may change these dates to adjust the selection criteria.
3. Select the **Refresh** button to update the period.
4. Select the **Get Employees** button. A **Time Needing Approval** summary list appears.

### List All Employees

1. Leave the Employee Selection Criteria fields blank.
2. The **Start Date** and **End Date** fields default to the current pay period.
3. Select the Refresh button to update the period.
4. Select the Get Employees button. A Time Needing Approval summary list appears.

**Next Step:** [Approve Payable Time](#) or [Approve Employee Payable Time Detail](#)

The screenshot displays the 'Approve Payable Time' application interface. The main heading is 'Approve Time for Time Reporters'. Below this is a section titled 'Employee Selection Criteria' which contains a table with two columns: 'Description' and 'Value'. The table has three rows: 'Group ID', 'Empl ID', and 'Empl Rcd Nbr', each with an empty input field and a search icon. Below the table are three buttons: 'Clear Selection Criteria', 'Save Selection Criteria', and 'Get Employees'. At the bottom of the interface, there are date pickers for 'Start Date' (04/01/2012) and 'End Date' (04/30/2012), a 'Refresh' button, and a 'Click for instructions' link.

Figure 3 Employee Selection Criteria

## Approve Payable Time

- To select the payable time listing for one or more employees, either:
  - Select the box to the left of one or more employee names.
  - Select All to select all the listed employees
- Select the Approve button. A dialog box with the message “Are you sure you want to approve the time selected?” appears.
- Select OK to approve the time. The message “The Save was successful” appears.
- A notification message is immediately sent to the employee.



**Note:** *An approval cannot be reversed, nor can payable time be denied after authorization by the first level approver. If you have any concerns about approving payable time, please contact your payroll technician.*

[Click for Instructions](#)

Employees For Michael Martin

Select	Name	Employee ID	Empl Recd Nbr	Job	Job Description	Total Payable Hours	Department	Workgroup	Taskgroup
<input type="checkbox"/>	John Smith	999999999	0	1871	Stdnt Trainee On-Cmps WS	8.000000	6115	STUDENTS	CSU

[Select All](#)
 [Clear All](#)

[Approve](#)

Figure 4 Approve Payable Time

**Next Step:** [After You Approve Payable Time](#)

## Approve Employee Payable Time Detail

1. Select the employee name link to view the **Approve Payable Time—Employee Detail** page. The information in the Overview tab is shown.
2. If you wish to view additional detail select the **Time Reporting Elements** and/or the **Task Reporting Elements** tab...
3. Select the box to the left of the employee name.
4. Leave the **Accounting Date** field *blank*.
5. Select the **Approve** button. A dialog box with the message “**Are you sure you want to approve the time selected?**” appears.
6. Select **OK** to approve the time. The message “**The Save was successful**” appears.
7. A notification message is immediately sent to the employee.



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### Approve Payable Time

John Smith Employee ID: 999999999  
 Job Title: Stdnt Trainee On-Cmps WS Employee Record Number: 0

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Select the time you wish to approve and then click the Approve button. Enter a specific Accounting Date for each row of payable time to be published. If you wish to use the current date as the publish date, you may leave the Accounting Date field blank.

Start Date:  End Date:

**Approval Details** Customize | Find | View All | First 1 of 1 Last

Overview
Time Reporting Elements
Task Reporting Elements

Select	Date	Time Reporting Code	Quantity	Type	Accounting Date	Comments
<input type="checkbox"/>	04/03/2012	REG	8.000000	Hours	<input type="text"/>	

[Select All](#)
 [Clear All](#)

Approve

[Return to Approval Summary](#)

Figure 5 Approve Payable Time Detail Page



## After You Approve Payable Time

In order for employees to receive payments on schedule, your approvals must be submitted by the deadline specified on the appropriate table of the [Staff and Student Pay Day Schedule](#).

After your approval, a notification email is immediately sent to the employee and payment will be issued according to the payday schedule.

**Next Step:** [The Approve Payable Time tutorial Is Complete!](#)

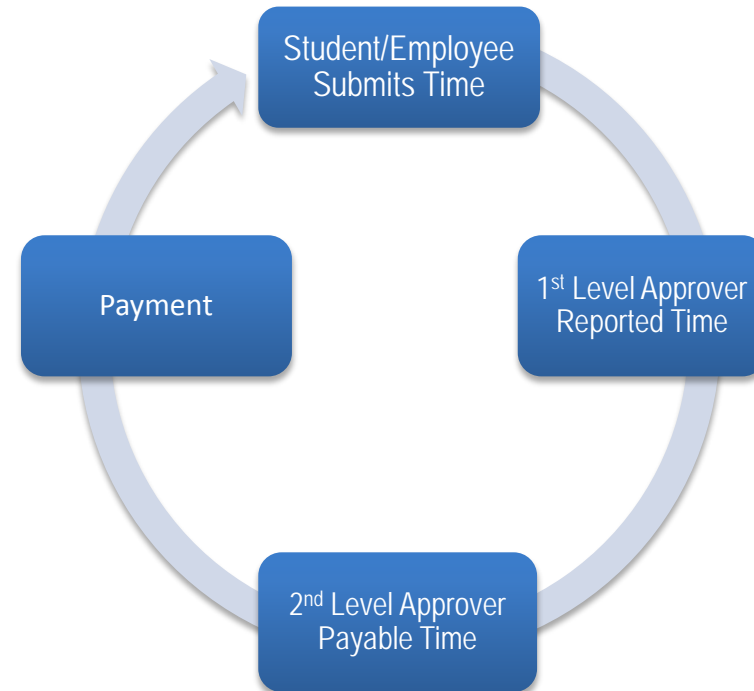


Figure 6 Reported Time Approval Cycle

## The Approve Payable Time Guide Is Complete!

After reading this guide you should be able to:

- View the Approve Payable Hours Page
- Search for employees with payable hours that require approval
- View a Payable Time Listings
- View the Employee Payable Time Detail Page
- Approve an employee's payable time from the detail page
- Understand what occurs after you approve payable time