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**Q: Will a union contract force me to stop working after a certain number of hours?**

**No.**



**Watch out for misinformation! Look for other answers around campus.**



We get to decide on what kinds of protections we want for our work. Even if our contract specified that 40 hours was the **maximum required**, you would **still be free to teach or research for as many hours as you wanted**. The workload protections in grad employee union contracts are there to provide clear, enforceable protections, not to stop you from doing the work you want to do.

***The bottom line:*** 

*We decide on what protections we want. A contract could protect you against being pressured to work extra hours. You can always choose to work more.*