

## The traveler is responsible for adherence to CSU and TUC Travel Policy.

Reimbursement of Travel ExpensesTravel PolicyTravel Approval Procedure

MI&E Per diem rates: <u>48 Contiguous US</u> <u>Alaska, Hawaii, & US Possessions</u> <u>Foreign per Diem - International</u>

Check Request: HR>Forms and Policies>Employee Forms> TUC Check request

## Important:

All expenses charged to TUC PCard require receipts regardless of amount or expense type. All attachments preferred in PDF format

Other than per diem Meals & Incidentals, expenses \$75 and over – or - <u>any</u> requiring substantiation require: • Itemized receipt • Proof of payment

	TA - TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION	CASH ADVANCE - Submit cash advance form.	ER - EXPENSE REPORT
		Cash Advance does not function in TUC eTravel	
BEFORE YOU TRAVEL	<ul> <li>✓ Estimated Cost</li> <li>✓ Create TA <u>PRIOR</u> to travel if required by either your department or your project</li> <li>✓ Must be <u>APPROVED</u> prior to travel or submitting cash advance or charged to TUC p-card</li> <li>✓ International Travel</li> <li>◆ Refer to Int'l travel below</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>✓ Create <u>AFTER</u> TA or travel approval form is approved</li> <li>✓ Request at least 15 days <u>PRIOR</u> to travel Complete cash advance form &amp; submit using TUC check request in the portal</li> <li>✓ PI can request up to 75% of estimated travel costs. Students can request up to 100% of the travel cost.</li> </ul>	N/A
AFTER YOU TRAVEL	<ul> <li>If TA required and <u>NOT APPROVED</u> prior to travel</li> <li>Complete <u>After the Fact Approval of Travel</u> <u>Request</u> and get signatures. Once Provost Office signs, send it to <u>Post-Award liaison</u>.</li> <li>If sponsor requires travel approval, Post- Award will contact sponsor and hold the reimbursement request until approved by sponsor.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>PIs &amp; travelers are responsible for clearing cash advance(s).</li> <li>Advances not substantiated within 60 days after paid or incurred, or unused advances not returned within 120 days can be considered taxable income by the IRS.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Create ER for reimbursement within 60 days after the end of your trip. Justification will be required for request submitted after 60 days. <i>IRS can consider reimbursement after 60</i> <i>days to be taxable income.</i></li> <li>Tie TA to the ER if TA was fully approved prior to first day of travel.</li> <li>Meetings &amp; Conferences require agenda or program</li> </ul>
DAILY EXPENSES	<ul> <li>Meals &amp; Incidental Expenses follow location per diem. See Travel Policy for details.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Request at least 15 days PRIOR to travel</li> <li>Meals &amp; Incidental Expenses follow location per diem. See Travel Policy for details.</li> <li>PI can request up to 75% of estimated travel costs. Students can request up to 100% of the travel cost.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>✓ Meetings &amp; Conferences require an Agenda or program</li> <li>✓ Meals &amp; Incidental Expenses follow location per diem. See Travel Policy for details.</li> </ul>

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International Travel	<ul> <li>Instructions: International &amp; High Risk Travel</li> <li>Sign up for MyCSUNGlobe (risk management &amp; travel insurance)</li> <li>Submit TA after receiving travel insurance email from myCSUNglobe</li> <li>Must be authorized by the sponsored project to be approved.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>✓ Request at least 15 days PRIOR to travel</li> <li>✓ PI can request up to 75% of estimated travel costs. Students can request up to 100% of the travel cost.</li> <li>✓ PIs and travelers are responsible to clear cash advance(s).</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>✓ Enter actual cost</li> <li>✓ Select Int'l Expense Types (Air, Rental, etc)</li> <li>✓ Attach <u>APPROVED</u> Int'l paper documentation</li> <li>◆ Attach Insurance confirmation from Risk Management/MyCSUNGlobe</li> <li>✓ Attach <u>Currency Conversion</u> using the date expense incurred or Credit Card Statement</li> <li>✓ Intl. per diem can be used for lodging and meals</li> </ul>
Air Travel	<ul> <li>✓ Fly America Act and Open Skies Agreement apply to all federal grants except US Department of Defense grants and contracts (only Fly America Act applies).</li> <li>✓ Enter Estimated Cost</li> <li>✓ Enter Round Trip Amount using date of departure</li> <li>✓ Select Int'l or Domestic</li> <li>✓ Plaza Travel –Payment Type is TUC paid</li> <li>✓ Requesting CA - Payment Type is Traveler Paid</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>✓ Request at least 15 days PRIOR to travel</li> <li>✓ PI can request up to 75% of estimated travel costs. Students can request up to 100% of the travel cost.</li> <li>✓ PIs and travelers are responsible to clear cash advance(s).</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Enter actual cost</li> <li>Select Int'l or Domestic</li> <li>On one line, enter round trip amount using departure date</li> <li>WiFi on Flight requires justification</li> <li>Premium upgrades will <u>NOT</u> be reimbursed (preferred seating, travel protection plans, etc).</li> </ul>
Baggage Fees	✓ Estimated cost	✓ N/A	<ul> <li>✓ Baggage fees, enter actual cost under airfare</li> <li>✓ Tips under Incidentals</li> </ul>
Ground Transportation	<ul> <li>✓ Estimated cost</li> <li>✓ Select Int'l or Domestic</li> </ul>	✓ N/A	<ul> <li>Enter actual cost</li> <li>Select Int'l or Domestic</li> <li>Include tip (not to exceed 20%)</li> <li>Description: Enter TO / FROM</li> <li>Restaurant in Hotel - Do <u>NOT</u> claim transportation to eat outside Hotel</li> </ul>
Rental Car	<ul> <li>✓ Estimated Car Rental Fees - Select Int'l or Domestic</li> <li>✓ Preferred/Contracted Vendors:</li> <li>◆ Enterprise &amp; National – ask TUC for discount code.</li> <li>Non-contracted vendor prohibited unless vehicle unavailable from contracted vendor</li> <li>◆ Justification is required</li> <li>◆ Could result in partial or no reimbursement</li> <li>✓ NO reimbursement for extra insurance</li> <li>✓ Premium upgrades will NOT be reimbursed</li> </ul>	✓ N/A	<ul> <li>Enter actual cost on the first day of car rental</li> <li>Do NOT claim mileage</li> <li>NO reimbursement for extra insurance</li> <li>Premium upgrades will NOT be reimbursed</li> <li>Justification is required for non-preferred vendors</li> <li>Using non- preferred/non-contracted vendors could result in partial or no reimbursement</li> </ul>
<b>Rental Car Fuel</b>	✓ Estimated Car Fuel	✓ N/A	<ul> <li>✓ Enter actual cost</li> </ul>

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Hotel/Lodging	<ul> <li>✓ Estimated cost</li> <li>✓ Select Int'l or Domestic</li> <li>✓ Hotel <u>OVER</u> \$333 night*</li> <li>◆ Based on <u>Daily Rate</u> (NOT including tax and fees)</li> <li>◆ <u>MUST</u> complete justification</li> </ul>	N/A	<ul> <li>Actual Lodging not to exceed applicable per diem rate         <ul> <li>US &amp; possessions: \$333 night* or 30 days or more Federal per diem</li> <li>International: Foreign per Diem</li> </ul> </li> <li>Select Int'l or Domestic</li> <li>On the first day attach:         <ul> <li>Hotel Folio receipt with a zero balance</li> <li>Premium upgrades will NOT be reimbursed (Suites, movies, etc)</li> <li>Lodging with a friend or relative: Non-cash gift up to \$74.99 may be provided to the host per stay.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Meals & Incidentals	<ul> <li>✓ M&amp;IE per diem rates:</li> <li>✓ <u>48 Contiguous US</u></li> <li>✓ <u>Alaska, Hawaii, US Possessions</u></li> <li>✓ <u>International</u></li> </ul>	✓ See Travel Policy	<ul> <li>Location per diem for travel including an overnight hotel stay</li> <li>First and last day is 75% of per diem</li> <li>Exclude Alcohol</li> <li>Incidentals included with meals</li> <li>Only claim meals that are purchased. Do <u>NOT</u> claim any meals provided such as meals included in the conference, meetings and/or airlines. See Adjustment of Per Diem Rates in the Policy.</li> </ul>
Mileage	<ul> <li>A Travel Authorization is not required if the only expenses are mileage and parking</li> </ul>	✓ N/A	<ul> <li>✓ Enter actual cost per day</li> <li>✓ Enter TO / FROM in the description field</li> <li>❖ Include time</li> <li>✓ Attach MapQuest showing claimed miles</li> <li>❖ Use Home address or CSUN address whichever is less</li> <li>❖ Exception: Leaving from Home on non- business day/hours (Weekends and Holidays)</li> <li>✓ If carpooling, only the driver can claim reimbursement.</li> </ul>
Parking	✓ Estimated Parking fees	✓ N/A	<ul> <li>Enter actual cost per day</li> <li>LAX Parking - preferred parking vendor: <u>QuikPark</u></li> <li>Using non-preferred vendor could result in partial payment</li> <li>Airport Parking - Enter full amount on the last day expense occurred</li> </ul>
Registration Fees	<ul> <li>✓ Estimated Registration Fees</li> <li>✓ Attach Agenda</li> <li>✓ TUC Paid</li> <li>✓ Attach Invoice with remittance information</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>✓ Request at least 15 days PRIOR to travel</li> <li>✓ Receipts \$75 and over</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Enter the actual cost on the first day of the conference.</li> <li>Attach Agenda</li> <li>Conference souvenirs or items that are not required to be purchased to attend the conference are not allowable to be charged to the project.</li> </ul>

\*Lodging \$333/night eff 041824, previously \$275/night. In Sponsored Projects, if grant guidelines have lower max rate, TUC will follow the more restrictive guideline.

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