

## LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES

### **Student Travel Reimbursement**

Eligible students in St. John's College of Liberal Arts and Sciences may receive up to \$500 reimbursement for travel expenses incurred while presenting at an approved conference. You may only receive reimbursement for one trip per academic year (September 1 through August

31) prior to degree conferral, and you must submit all receipts, along with proof of presentation, within 30 days of travel. The pre-approval process will take a minimum of two weeks prior to travel, so please plan accordingly. Please note that all trips paid, in part, by the College require travel date completion prior to degree conferral.

To qualify for reimbursement, you must use the current year's Travel Request & Expense Reimbursement Form (T&E), as well as adhere to the policies and procedures outlined below. All documents from the pre-approval process must be submitted with final receipts. If you do not follow procedure, your reimbursement will be delayed or denied.

#### **Travel Reimbursement Procedure**

#### Prior to Travel:

- Submit valid evidence that you will be presenting at a conference. This includes a conference program that includes your name and/or a letter confirming your acceptance to present.
- Receive pre-approval from your department chair prior to travel.
  - You must complete Section A of the T&E form and include: name, XID, address, department, phone number, destination, travel dates, and estimated expenses.
  - Leave the "Pre-Paid Expense" section blank.
  - Sign and date next to "Traveler's Signature."
  - Submit the form with proof of presentation to your department chair for his/her signature.
- Send the signed pre-approval form, along with proof of presentation, to the Associate Dean of the Graduate Division in SJH 145 prior to travel. Once the form is approved, the Associate Dean will return it to the department.

### After Receiving Approval:

- Keep all original receipts, even if the individual amount is below \$25 or the total amount is over \$500.
- Itemize all meal receipts. Non-itemized meal receipts will not be accepted.
- Keep all receipts (E.g. bus, flight, and hotel) in your name as much as possible. Shared hotel invoices should be split at time of check-out.
- Submit a Google or MapQuest map if traveling by car. University policy does not allow for gas reimbursement because it is included in the mileage calculation.

### After Travel is Complete:

- Complete Section B of the T&E form.
- Itemize your daily expenses. Please note that the receipts must match totals on the form.
- Attach all receipts to Section C.
- Sign the second page of the form and ask your department chair to sign as well.
- Keep a copy of everything for your records.
- Submit your completed forms including pre-approval documents to Martha D. Castellanos in SJH 135. She will determine that you have included all appropriate signatures, receipts, and proof of presentation before forwarding your forms to Business Affairs for processing.



### **Travel Request and Expense Reimbursement Form 2024**

To ensure accuracy of calculations, open this form and submit responses in Google Chrome.

Faculty Administrator/ Staff Student ☐ Other Please mark appropriate box: Name: Title:

Mailing Address:

X#:

Budget No. (Fund-Org-Account)	Estimated Amount	Actual Amount
	\$	\$
	\$	\$
	\$	\$
	Total	

Phone No.:

#### **SECTION A REQUEST TO TRAVEL AND EXPEND UNIVERSITY FUNDS**

**Department Name:** 

Destination and Purpose of Trip:	

Date trip to begin (mm/dd/yy):

Estimated Expenses					
Conference/Fees	\$				
Lodging	\$				
Meals	\$				
Transportation	\$				
Miscellaneous	\$				
	Total				
Less Prepa	id Expenses				
Less Austin Trav	vel Direct Bill				
Total Estima Pock	ated Out of tet Expense				
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Date trip to end (mm/dd/yy):

Pre-Paid Expense

Details and Special Instructions		Amount
· · · · ·		\$
		\$
		\$
		\$
		\$
	Total	

I have reviewed and agreed to comply with the University's Travel Expense Reimbursement Policies and Procedures.

Traveler's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

I authorize the above listed employee to travel and expend University funds using the above listed budget numbers. Budget Administrator, Dean or Vice President Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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A/P Review	A/P Review	A/P Review
Date	Date	Date

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

# SECTION B REQUEST FOR REIMBURSEMENT – TRAVEL AND EXPENDITURE DETAIL

In the table below, please itemize each expense. All expenses must be in U.S. dollars. For business meals and entertainment, please describe the business purposes and list the attendees in the ADDITIONAL REMARKS lines below.

#### Daily Expense Details

<b>Date</b> mm/dd/yy	Conferences/ Fees	No. of Auto	Personal Auto Reimbursement	Air/Rail	Auto Rental	Tolls and Parking	Taxi and Other	Lodging	Meals (Daily	Tips and Gratuities	DAILY TOTALS
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DAILY TOTALS											

#### TRANSPORTATION

#### **Miscellaneous Expense Detail**

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Date	Description	Amount	Daily + Misc. Expense Subtotal
		\$	Less Prepaid Expenses
		\$	Less Austin Travel Direct Bill
		\$	TOTAL EXPENSES*
		\$	* If amount is negative please attach a check for total
		Total:	amount payable to St. John's University.

Additional Remarks:	

I certify that this attached request for reimbursement is valid and complete and complies with University policies and that I am not being reimbursed from any other source.

Employee Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

I authorize payment to the above noted employee and certify that University funds are available to reimburse the employee.

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# SECTION C ORIGINAL RECEIPTS

Please **STAPLE** original receipts to this area.

### SECTION D FORM PREPARATION AND REIMBURSEMENT

**Travel Service Provider Options** – Employees traveling on University related business may use any travel service provider of their choice, book directly with the airlines, obtain tickets via the Internet or utilize the services of Austin/Pro Travel – (516) 465-1020 (tel).

**Original Receipts** – All individual expenses of \$25 or more must be evidenced by ORIGINAL RECEIPTS and be attached to Section C of this form.

**Submittal Deadline** – Employees are responsible for submitting their completed and approved Travel Request and Expense Reimbursement Form within thirty (30) days of the completion of the trip or business expense. Forms are to be submitted to the Accounts Payable Department, located in Newman Hall, Room 204 on the Queens campus.

**Airline Tickets** – Employees are expected to utilize the lowest applicable fares. Every effort should be made to book flights in advance to take advantage of advance purchase discounts and lower fares. Employees should be flexible in their plans in order to obtain lower fares. Alternative airports or flight departures should be utilized as long as University business objectives are not compromised. When making reservations, the air carrier or agent should be advised of any special discounts (e.g., convention, seminar, association or professional rates) that may apply.

Automobile Rentals – Automobile rentals should be limited to situations where other means of transportation are not practical, economical or available and in emergencies. Employees should decline the Loss Damage Waiver (LDW) and Global Liability insurance as these insurances are carried by the University.

**Personal Automobiles** – Reimbursement for the use of employee-owned automobiles by employees traveling on University business is currently 58 cents (\$0.545) per mile driven plus tolls and parking charges. (Rates will be periodically adjusted to conform with IRS Guidelines) This rate is intended to reimburse employees for all costs including, insurance, gas, oil, wear and tear, repairs as well as damage caused through accidents. Mileage between campuses will be reimbursed according to the mileage listed in the chart below.

# MILEAGE BETWEEN CAMPUSES

From/To	Queens	Staten Island	Manhattan	Hauppauge
Queens		25 miles one way 50 miles round trip	15 miles one way 30 miles round trip	35 miles one way 70 miles round trip
Staten Island	25 miles one way 50 miles round trip		15 miles one way 30 miles round trip	60 miles one way 120 miles round trip
Manhattan	15 miles one way 30 miles round trip	15 miles one way 30 miles round trip		43 miles one way 86 miles round trip
Hauppauge	35 miles one way 70 miles round trip	60 miles one way 120 miles round trip	43 miles one way 86 miles round trip	

**IRS (Business Purpose)** – IRS regulations require a disclosure of the business scope and purpose for meals and entertainment, as well as a list of attendees.

**Lodging** – When making hotel/motel reservations, corporate or discount rates for educators should be requested. Employees should use standard single room accommodations in first class (but not luxury) hotels or motels. Exceptions are made only when the employee is attending a conference, convention, meeting or seminar that is being held in a luxury hotel.

**Meals** – The University will reimburse employees for out of town business meal expense that are actually incurred provided such expenses are reasonable and supported by original receipts.

For additional information about payment and reimbursement procedures, please refer to the University Business Expense Policies and Procedures Manual or contact Accounts Payable.