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## Travel Comparison Worksheet

The Travel Comparison Worksheet is required when travelers request a deviation from the Travel Policy requirements. In all cases, the most economic option that meets the business need should be selected for business travel. Costs determined by the comparison that exceed the most economic option, create additional liability risks or that are not part of business travel will not be paid or reimbursed by the university.

Comparison documentation (e.g., quotes, airfare screenshots, etc.), along with this worksheet must be conducted at the same time the expenditure of funds occurs and must be attached to the Spend Authorization or Expense Report for audit review. See Travel Cost Comparison Guide for additional assistance.

TRAVEL INFORMATION SUMMARY

| Traveler Name: |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Departure Date: | Departure Location: |
| Return Date: | Destination Location(s): |
| Business Purpose: |  |
| Comparison <br> Selection: | Drive vs. Fly <br> Mileage vs. Rental Vehicle <br> Personal Travel in Conjunction with Business Travel <br> *Complete comparison content associated with selection(s). |

## DRIVE VS. FLY COMPARISON

Refer to Resources to gather appropriate estimates from contracted agencies for airfare or vehicle rental. Liability risks should be considered when electing to drive a personal vehicle during business travel.

| DRIVE EXPENSE ESTIMATE |  | FLY EXPENSE ESTIMATE |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Mileage or Rental Vehicle | $\$$ | Airfare | \$ |
| Gasoline (with rental vehicle) | $\$$ | Baggage fee | $\$$ |
| Tolls | $\$$ | Mileage (to/from airport) | $\$$ |
| Parking | $\$$ | Taxi/Shuttle/Ride-Share | $\$$ |
| Lodging | $\$$ | Lodging | $\$$ |
| Meals/Per Diem | $\$$ | Meals/Per Diem | $\$$ |
| Other | $\$$ | Other |  |
|  | Total: | $\$$ |  |

## MILEAGE VS. RENTAL VEHICLE COMPARISON

Refer to Resources to gather appropriate estimates from contracted agencies for vehicle rental. Liability risks should be considered when electing to drive a personal vehicle during business travel.

| MILEAGE (PERSONAL VEHICLE) ESTIMATE |  | RENTAL VEHICLE ESTIMATE |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Mileage | $\$$ | Mileage or Rental Vehicle | $\$$ |
|  |  | Gasoline (with rental vehicle) | $\$$ |
| Total: | $\$$ | Total: |  | $\mathrm{\$}$

## PERSONAL TRAVEL IN CONJUNCTION WITH BUSINESS TRAVEL COMPARISON

Refer to Resources to gather appropriate estimates from contracted agencies for airfare or vehicle rental. Additional costs caused by the addition of personal travel to business travel will not be paid or reimbursed by the university. Options are available with the contracted agencies to split airfare costs between university and personal payment sources to ensure compliance with travel policy.

| BUSINESS TRAVEL EXPENSE ESTIMATE |  | PERSONAL TRAVEL ESTIMATE |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Departure Date/Time |  | Departure Date/Time |  |
| Return Date/Time |  | Return Date/Time |  |
| Airfare Quote (Business ONLY) | $\$$ | Airfare Quote | \$ |
| Mileage | $\$$ | Mileage | \$ |
| Rental Vehicle | $\$$ | Rental Vehicle | \$ |
| Gasoline (with rental vehicle) | $\$$ | Gasoline (with rental vehicle) | \$ |
| Meals/Per Diem | $\$$ | Meals/Per Diem | $\$$ |
| Other | $\$$ | Other | \$ |
|  | Total: | $\mathbf{\$}$ |  |

## COMMENTS

## RESOURCES:

Travel Policy
Risk Management
GSA Mileage Rates
Contracted Travel Agency (Airfare Quotes)
Contracted Rental Car Agency (Rental Car Quotes)
Ride Share (Lyft or Uber)
Taxi Fare Finder

