

TRAVEL – (account codes)

Expense Description	Employee In-State Code	Employee Out-of-State Code
Personal Car Mileage	62401	62411
Piloting Aircraft Rental	62403	62413
Other	62405	62415
Lodging	62408	62418
Car Rental	62409	62419
Meals Overnight	62410	62430
Taxable – Same Day Meals	62407	62417
Taxable – No Receipt Lodging	62406	62416
Taxable – No Receipt Lodging – Training	62436	62447

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Employee Foreign Travel	62426
Non-Employee Travel – Mileage	62494
Non-Employee Travel – Meals	62495
Non-Employee Travel – In-State Lodging	62497
Non-Employee Travel – General	62498

Criteria for Employee Same-day Taxable Travel - Personal meals are taxable; business meals are exempt if you document who they met with and business discussed at the meal(s). Lodging – no receipt (regardless of trip length or purpose).

OTHER RELATED EXPENSES:

Expense Description	Account Code
EDUCATIONAL/TRAINING COSTS – Includes light refreshments, meals served during seminars, workshops, professional meetings or conferences. Hospitality Form required for food over \$100.00 with list of Attendees.	62809
RELOCATION – As of 1/1/18 paid in HR. Use Relocation Allowance Request Form on HR website.	62810
RECRUITING – Travel, meals, lodging for position candidates. Not advertising (see 62316 or 62317 for advertising). Hospitality Form required for food over \$100.00 with list of Attendees.	62815
REGISTRATION FEES – Conference and meeting registrations	62817
ENTERTAINMENT – Costs related to University approved entertainment. Hospitality Form required for anything over \$100.00 with list of Attendees. (Not allowed on OSP funds)	62824

(Effective 10/01/25 thru 9/30/26)

MEALS:	In-State	Out-of-State	
Breakfast (must leave before 7) (12:01 am – 10:00 am)	\$11.20 (B&L=24.50)	\$16.00 (B&L=35.00)	For meal reimbursement – must be in travel status more than 3 hours within timeframe of meals and be at least 15 miles away from work or home.
Lunch (must return after 1 leave before 12) (10:01 am – 3:00 pm)	\$13.30 (L&D=32.90)	\$19.00 (L&D=47.00)	International: actual up to 80% daily GSA rate for city
Dinner (must return after 6) (3:01 pm – 12:00 Midnight)	\$19.60 (B&D=30.80)	\$28.00 (B&D=44.00)	
	\$44.10	\$63.00	

(PER MILE) MILEAGE RATE FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026 (as of January 1, 2026):

72.50 cents – High-Rate allowable reimbursement when traveler uses personal car and qualifies for higher rate. TO QUALIFY: Travel Expense Voucher must list the ‘business’ reason for personal vehicle use and traveler must sign verifying the exception. (See travel policy for list of approved exceptions.)

69.50 cents – over 1,000 miles compiled in same calendar month (traveler has qualified for high rate).

34.90 cents – Standard Rate allowable reimbursement if rental or state-owned vehicle is available & traveler chooses to take personal vehicle.

LODGING: (IN-STATE) & (OUT-OF-STATE)

No Receipt: \$12.00

Current Federal standard rate is **\$110.00** per night (plus taxes) as of 10/01/25 through 9/30/2026.

If a rate is claimed that is higher than standard or high-cost city rate (see GSA website).

Exception is high cost cities/counties: Flathead, Gallatin, Park, Lewis & Clark, and Missoula.

Rates exceeding either standard or high-cost rates require pre-approval. References: 2-18-501,

MCA: Employee Travel Policy