

STUDENT LIFE MANUAL OF PROCEDURES

AS IT REFLECTS POLICY NUMBER 3450

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I. Purpose

A. To provide the administrative process for requesting, approving and issuing checks for estimated travel expenses for faculty, staff and students participating in sponsored or scheduled events that will be paid from Student Life funds. It also provides for the accountability of the advanced funds upon the completion of the travel.

B. The following attached forms are to be used:

1. Travel Advances and Expenses for Student Services Monies.
2. Certification for Receipt of Meals Pertaining to Student Services Monies.
3. Agreement for Off-Campus College Activity.

II. Procedure

A. In accordance with Florida Statutes, travel advances for estimated expenses may be made to faculty, staff, and students participating in Student Life sponsored or scheduled events when expenses are to be paid from Student Life Funds.

B. Request for Advance

1. Faculty members serving as a coach or sponsor will complete the original and two copies of Travel Advances and Expenses for Student Services Monies, Part A only, listing details and breakdown of estimated expenses (see sections C & D), sign and deliver to the following individuals for approval:

a. To the Director of Student Life, when it is an event sponsored by Student Life.

b. For travel requests in this area, the Travel Advances and Expenses for Student Services Monies and Request for Leave of Absence and Reimbursement (P-2) for the faculty/staff, must be signed by all authorized persons. There will be no exceptions or delegation of signature authority in this area.

c. Estimated Meal allowance for Non-Athletic Events: Estimating expenses for meals for students who are attending non-athletic events will be made in accordance with the following table:

Breakfast: \$6.00 (when travel begins before 6:00am and extends beyond 8:00am)

Lunch: \$11.00 (when travel begins before 12:00 noon and extends beyond 2:00pm)

Dinner: \$19.00 (when travel begins before 6:00pm and extends beyond 8:00pm)

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2. The Director of Student Life and all other authorized persons must approve the request and disbursement requisition. The Director of Student Life shall transmit the original approved request and signed check requisition to the Director of Accounting, retaining one copy and returning one copy to the requestor.
3. The Director of Accounting edits the check requisition, issues a check in the name of the requestor for the approved amount, and files a copy of the check requisition and request for later reconciliation. The advance is charged to an accounts receivable pending receipt of the expense report, at which time a journal entry is made to charge the appropriate cost center and clear the receivable.

C. Accountability of the Advanced Funds

1. Requestor, upon completion of the travel, completes Part B of the retained copy, including Travel Advances and Expenses for Student Services Monies, Certification for Receipt of Meals Pertaining to Student Life Events.
 - a. Upon return, the requestor forwards the completed travel packet to the Director of Student Life for reconciliation.
 - b. If line 9 shows an excess balance to be returned, the requestor will return unused monies to the Campus Bursar and obtain a signed and dated receipt for the amount returned. The requestor will then write in the receipt number and date of line 9b.
2. Central Accounting
 - a. Upon receipt of the disbursement requisition and signed form reflecting an amount due the requestor, the Director of Accounting edits the form, including attached receipts, reconciles it with the file copies of the request for the initial advance and prepares a check in the name of the requestor for amount due and releases accounts receivable.
 - b. Upon receipt of the form reflecting an excess amount returned to the Bursar, the Director of Accounting reconciles it with copies of the initial request for advance and releases accounts receivable.