Faculty Recruitment Travel Procedures

CAMPUS VISIT OVERVIEW

- Dean notifies department of candidates approved for campus interview.
- Point of contact for search committee contacts Academic Affairs to secure tentative dates based on Provost's availability.
- Search committee arranges campus interviews, including appointments with Dean and confirms date with Provost's office.
- Allowable expenses include travel, transportation, accommodations, and meals, excluding alcohol.
 Department should contact Academic Affairs for approval of expenses exceeding the travel guidelines detailed in this document.
- Departments are responsible for submitting receipts and preparing Check Request Forms for approved expenses to Academic Affairs.

1. TRAVEL

Airplane

- Arranged by candidate
- Contact Academic Affairs for approval if airfare is over \$500
- Candidate should submit airline ticket receipt to department

Car (Privately owned vehicle)

- Mileage to and from home reimbursed at TCNJ per diem rate, currently at \$0.54 per mile
- Submit receipts showing amount and date for tolls and parking
- Motor vehicle violations are the obligation of the candidate

Train/Commercial Bus:

- Arranged by candidate
- Reimbursement should not exceed equivalent cost of airfare
- Submit detailed receipt/ticket stub for reimbursement

Car Rentals:

- Arranged by candidate
- Used only when overall cost of rental is less than cost of other means of transportation or when no other means of transportation are available.
- Carry motor vehicle liability insurance and submit copy of card, original receipts, and rental contract
- Select most economical rental
- College not liable for motor vehicle violations or accidents

2. TRANSPORTATION TO HOTEL AND TCNJ

- Every effort should be made for a faculty member/search committee member to meet the candidate and bring him or her to the hotel or campus. Meeting the candidates at the airport or train station portrays a positive message about the college and the department.
- Since this is considered official College related travel, the TCNJ employee must submit an online travel request prior to the dates of the candidates' arrival for insurance and reimbursement purposes.
- If no one is available to meet the candidate at the airport or train station, arrangements can be made by the department for transportation using the following (or other) services.

PLEASE NOTE: THE DEPARTMENT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE COST OF TRANSPORTATION SERVICE. THESE SERVICES CAN SOMETIMES RUN FROM \$120-\$160 EACH WAY.

Levin Limousine – will fax invoice to TCNJ Academic Affairs

Address: 142 W. Delaware Ave

Pennington, NJ 08534 Phone: (609) 737-0074

3. ACCOMMODATIONS

- If hotel accommodations are needed, contact Academic Affairs
- Email <u>jessica.stover@tcnj.edu</u> with candidate information and dates of stay, confirmation numbers will be sent back to department.
- TCNJ has a direct bill account with SpringHill Suites Marriott
- Personal charges will be responsibility of candidate
- TCNJ is tax-exempt and all room/city/state taxes should be omitted from invoice.

SpringHill Suites Marriott

1000 Charles Ewing Blvd., Ewing (609) 530-0900

- Approximately 1.8 miles from TCNJ
- College-negotiated rate is \$135.00

4. MEALS

On-campus meals

- Academic Affairs maintains Get-It Cards that can be used for on-campus meals in the 1855 Room.
- Use of the card should be scheduled with Academic Affairs (x3385)
- Cards may be picked up in Academic Affairs the day before or the day of the interview.
- Receipts must be returned with the card
- Card is not to be used for more than 5 guests including the candidate.
- Tips not included and not reimbursed

Off-campus meals

- Search committee may plan an off-campus breakfast, lunch or dinner meeting with candidate.
- An employee of TCNJ, not the candidate, should pay restaurant bill and obtain itemized receipt for reimbursement. **Only itemized receipts will be reimbursed by the College.**
- Receipts are required for reimbursement. Recruitment meals are reimbursed according to TCNJ's
 Travel Regulations, based on the minimum federal per diem rate: Breakfast \$8, Lunch \$8, Dinner
 \$20.
- The College will reimburse for up to 3 members of the search committee plus the candidate. Reimbursement will not be made for guests not on the search committee or that exceed the maximum number allowed.
- Alcoholic beverages are not reimbursed by the College.
- Candidates reimbursed for allowable off-campus meals only. Example: when in travel status for campus interview and returning home in late afternoon, dinner is not reimbursable. Similarly, when leaving for travel in the morning, breakfast is not reimbursable. Candidate's meals are reimbursed according to TCNJ's Travel Regulations: currently, Breakfast \$8, Lunch \$8, Dinner \$20.

5. RECRUITMENT AT CONFERENCES - Dean and Provost Confer

- Faculty may attend national/regional conference to recruit candidates for tenure-track positions.
- A maximum of <u>two</u> search committee members may be reimbursed to attend a conference for the purpose of recruitment.
- Academic Affairs will reimburse the following expenses for each faculty member according to TCNJ's Travel Regulations:
 - Up to \$500 in travel expenses
 - Meals are reimbursed according to TCNJ's Travel Regulations, based on the minimum federal per diem rate
 - Conference registration fee(s)
- Chair and dean approve request via online Travel System

5. REIMBURSEMENTS

- Department submits completed Check Request Form with all receipts to Academic Affairs.
 - Please use updated check request form on the Finance and Business Services page http://finance.tcnj.edu/forms/
- For EMPLOYEE reimbursement, submit a Check Request Form with itemized receipt(s) and list of guests to Academic Affairs. Use PeopleSoft Chartfield: Fund 10, Class 01, Dept. ID 1806, and Account 54100.
- For CANDIDATE reimbursement, submit completed Check Request Form with all receipts and include candidate's name and address where check should be mailed. Use PeopleSoft Chartfield: Fund 10, Class 01, Dept ID 1806, Account 54110.