COMPTROLLER TRAVEL POLICY MANUAL

	POLICY: TRV 555-01
NORTHERN ARIZONA UNIVERSITY	Section: 500 Travel
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	Comptroller
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State of Arizona Travel Policy	
State of Arizona Travel Policy Supplements I - V	
A.R.S. §38-621 through A.R.S. §38-627	

PURPOSE

To provide policy on the treatment of special travel circumstances.

LINKS

Academic Institutional Excuse form NAU Purchasing Card Policy

Exhibit J form Student Team/Group List form

Meal Money form Travel Advance Repayment

POLICY

TRV 555-01: Travel Advances

- 1. General Policy
 - a. The use of travel cash advances is **strongly discouraged**. Advances shall be restricted to unusual situations and be documented on Exhibit J and approved by the travel specialist, justification for exception to policy signer and department leadership.
 - b. Advances are issued no more than 5 business days in advance of the departure date. Issuance before that time could be construed as a loan of state resources which is prohibited by the Arizona Constitution.
 - c. The amount of the request is limited to the amounts that are expected to be incurred for meals.
 - d. A travel advance may not exceed 80% of the total estimated meal expense.
- 2. Travelers Eligible to Receive Advances:
 - a. Those who do not meet the definition of frequent travelers,
 - b. Those that are in travel status for minimum of 3 consecutive days, AND
 - c. Those who do not have a PCard; OR
 - d. Other special circumstances may be requested via a justification for exception to policy.
- 3. Repayment of Advances
 - a. The travel advance must be deducted on the Exhibit J form.
 - b. A Travel (<u>Travel Advance Repayment</u>) Reimbursement form must be completed and accompany the reimbursed funds for deposit.
 - c. All excess advance monies must be repaid within 30 days of return date.
 - d. If an outstanding travel advance is not repaid within 60 days, it is the university's policy to seek remuneration of travel advances through payroll deduction.