

Niroomand on the Move . . . from Victoria this Time

FARHANG NIROOMAND'S UH-V TRAVEL IN MONEY & MILES

The *Special Report* entitled “Niroomand on the Move . . . in Miles” is [one of the most eye-opening reports](#) here at USMNEWS.net. It indicates that former CoB associate dean Farhang Niroomand, currently the business school dean at the University of Houston – Victoria, “amassed \$75,000 in travel expenses over the 59 months from August-01 through June-06,” a period included in Niroomand’s reign as the CoB’s associate dean (1998-2007). That same *Special Report* also points out that Niroomand’s 2001-06 travels covered 149,395 miles. These figures come to an astonishing \$1,271/month in travel spending, and 2,532/month miles traveled.

The [new USMNEWS.net series](#) on Niroomand’s travel habits as the UH-V b-school dean has also been eye-opening. Much of what we know so far, through this new series, is summarized below in Table 1.

TABLE 1 – Niroomand on the Move Again

Date	Place	Purpose	“Amount Spent”	Miles
Oct-2009	Baltimore	AACSB Continuous Improvement Conference	\$1,000	3,144
Nov-2009	Orlando	Association for Global Business meeting	\$1,500	2,178
Nov-2009	Savannah	Southern Business Administration Association meeting	\$1,000	678
Jan-2010	Atlanta	American Economic Association meeting	\$400	1,836
Jan-2010	Rockport	UH-V President’s Retreat	\$309	130
Feb-2010	Tampa	AACSB Dean’s Conference	\$1,500	2,214
Feb-2010	Boston	Association of College Honor Societies meeting	\$300	3,968
Mar-2010	Dallas	Southwest Decision Sciences Institute annual meeting	\$1,105	637
Mar-2010	Washington, D.C.	Visit U.S. Department of Education about grant	\$1,000	3,072
Apr-2010	Austin	Attend 23 rd Annual NASBITE International meeting	\$400	250
Apr-2010	Anaheim	AACSB Department Chairs Seminar & International Conference	\$1,500	2,910
Apr-2010	Laredo	15 th Annual Western Hemisphere & Global Recovery Conference	\$400	374
June-2010	Santa Fe	Southwestern Business Dean Association meeting	\$1,500	1,686
June-2010	Hattiesburg	Attend the ODE Event	\$1,400	1,122
June-2010	Rio de Janeiro	Attend Academy of International Business annual meeting	\$3,000	10,286
July-2010	Laredo	External Review of BIE Grant for	\$400	374

July-2010	Clearwater	Texas A&M International University Southern Business Deans Association meeting	\$1,500	2,258
Sept-2010	Houston	Council of Texas Business Deans meeting	\$500	258
			\$18,714	37,375

As the information in Table 1 indicates, USMNEWS.net has some of the travel information on Niroomand for the 12 months from Oct-2009 through Sept-2010. Over this period, Niroomand has (1) exhausted (at least) **about \$19,000** in UH-V travel funds, and (2) traveled (at least) **more than 37,000 miles** under the auspices of his UH-V business school deanship. These figures come to a whopping \$1,560 per month in travel expenditures, and a troubling 3,115 miles per month traveling. According to these data, Niroomand's travel spending per month, and his miles traveled per month, have each *increased by about 23%* with his move from USM to UH-V.