


Special Report

Niroomand and the AGB hit the Big Apple

An Investigative Series on CoB Faculty Travel

This Special Report examines the expenses associated with Associate Dean Farhang Niroomand's trip to New York in 2005 to meet with the Board (Amigos?) of the Association of Global Business. That information was presented by Niroomand on an **Employee Travel Voucher** (see below).



**EMPLOYEE
TRAVEL VOUCHER**

THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI

Purpose and Place of Visit: **Meet with the Board of Asso for Global Business, New York, NY**

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ON BACK**

Employee: **Farhang Niroomand**

Address: **Box 5021**

Department Name: **COB**

Others On Trip: _____

The meals/lodging alone that were associated with Niroomand's trip to the Big Apple approached \$1,000, as the screen below points out:

MEALS AND LODGING									Total
Date	2/10	2/11	2/13	2/14					
Departure Time	AM-PM	AM-PM	AM-PM	AM-PM	AM-PM	AM-PM	AM-PM	AM-PM	
Arrival Time	AM-PM	AM-PM	AM-PM	AM-PM	AM-PM	AM-PM	AM-PM	AM-PM	
Breakfast		6:50	5:95	8:50	12:50				33.45 12.5
Lunch	13:97		28:17	44:48	6:93				93.55 69.7
Dinner	41.00 43:80 41.00 68:58 41.00 52:92 41.00 75:17				9:00				249.47 173.0
Lodging	171.30	171.30	171.30	171.30					685.20
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Total Meals and Lodging									1061.67

877.03

The transportation expenses that were incurred on this trip came to just under \$250, while the "other expenses" were a relatively modest \$81.50.

TRAVEL BY PERSONAL VEHICLE (Did you use a University vehicle? Yes No) *877.03*

Date	From	To	Miles
2/10	Hattiesburg	PIB	18
2/14	PIB	Hattiesburg	18
			36 x .375 = 13.50

TRAVEL BY PUBLIC CARRIER

Date	From	To	Mode	Ticket Amount
2/10	PIB	New York	air	
2/14	New York	PIB	air	
Total Travel By Public Carrier				231.70

OTHER EXPENSES

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Item	Date	Place Where Expenses Were Incurred	Amount
Registration Fees			
Tips (baggage handling)	2/10-14		11 00 10.00 +
Taxi/Limousine	2.10-14		71 50 +
Parking/Tolls			
Car Rental			

Though the total expenses were about \$1,400, Niroomand was reimbursed \$1,200 for this trip to New York City to meet with the members of the AGB.

Report all expenditures, including expenses paid for with a travel advance. If the department limits the total expenditure, enter the amount on the "Maximum Reimbursement Allowed" block.	Total Other Expenses	82	50
	Total Expenses	1389	37
	MAXIMUM REIMBURSEMENT ALLOWED →	1200	00

Again, the Association for Global Business is the organization of dubious quality that usmpride.com has reported on in numerous other investigations. This organization is the parent organization of the *Journal of Global Business* --- the journal that charges \$250 (and higher) fees to publish submissions. Edward Nissan (Professor of Economics) has been reimbursed several hundred dollars by USM for *JGB* publication fees that he has incurred in recent years. The AGB is also the parent organization for the *Journal of Current Research in Global Business* --- the journal edited by Niroomand that is "sponsored" by the University of Southern Mississippi.

Niroomand used only four pots of his money to finance this trip.

Expense	
873	30
1350	
23170	
8150	