

ADMITTED STUDENTS WEEKEND

FRIDAY, APRIL 10 & SATURDAY, APRIL 11, 2026

TRAVEL STIPEND INFORMATION

Choosing which law school to attend is an important decision. When narrowing down your choice, it's important to visit schools and immerse yourself in the community to see if it's the right fit. We have dedicated resources to help defray some of the travel costs you will incur by participating in Admitted Students Weekend (ASW).

Eligibility Requirements

To receive a travel stipend, you must meet these three eligibility requirements:

Be admitted to the UC Irvine Law Fall 2026 J.D. Program.

Travel more than 100 miles one way.

Participate in at least one full day of ASW programming.

Amount of Stipend

The travel stipend may be used to reimburse a portion of your **airfare or lodging** used to attend ASW. If you will be traveling more than **100 miles** one way, you may receive **up to \$300** to cover approved travel costs.



Applying for a Travel Stipend

In order to qualify for the travel stipend, you must register for ASW and submit the pre-authorization form, which can be found on the Admitted Students Website, by **Friday, April 3, 2026**.



Register
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Pre-Authorization
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Booking Travel: Important Considerations

- Only lodging and airfare costs incurred within one day before and one day after the ASW event dates are eligible for reimbursement (4/9/26 through 4/12/26).
- The stipend does not apply for the “value” (perceived or actual) of any travel loyalty program points, benefits, or frequent flyer mileage.
- Travel stipends cannot be applied to expenses incurred by your family and/or co-decision maker.
- We cannot reimburse expenses made through third party vendors such as Kayak, Expedia, or Travelocity.

Air Travel

In addition to your first and last name, your receipt must include:

- Total amount paid.
- Airline ticket number: Note that this is different than the confirmation code or trip ID - the ticket number is a 13-digit number that you can find on your passenger receipt or boarding pass.
- Travel dates that coincide with ASW: If you are traveling more than one day before or after ASW, please email rryan@law.uci.edu at the time of booking so that we can obtain a comparison rate.
- For international travel, a passport photo will be required.

Lodging

- Eligible expenses include the cost of the room and associated taxes.
- Traditional hotels and Airbnb are eligible for the stipend.
- Room rate cannot exceed the UC reimbursement guideline of \$279 per night.
- Only stays that occur locally between Thursday, April 9 (check-in) to Sunday, April 12 (check-out) will be considered for the stipend; any other nights are the sole responsibility of the traveler.
- An original hotel-generated, itemized folio/receipt showing the admitted student as the guest responsible for the charges and with a balance of zero is required. Please ask for a digital/emailed receipt; photocopies are not acceptable.
- Incidental charges such as meals, internet, non-UC Irvine parking, etc. are not eligible for the stipend.
- UC Irvine discounted hotel rates:
<https://www.accounting.uci.edu/travel/resources/hotels.html>

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Applying for Reimbursement

After ASW has occurred, you must submit your receipts. You are responsible for familiarizing yourself with the reimbursement process and meeting all requirements and deadlines. Failure to do so will delay and possibly prevent receipt of stipend funds.

- Submit your lodging and/or airfare receipts no later than **5:00 p.m. PT on Friday, April 24, 2026.**
- All receipts must be sent as a PDF attachment via email to rryan@law.uci.edu.
- All receipts must include documentation of the charge to a credit card. For example “Charged to a card ending in 1234” or “Payment Method: X*****1234.” Otherwise you will need to provide a bank statement that reflects the purchase.
- After your receipts have been reviewed and your participation at ASW verified, you will be required to sign and return a certification form to confirm your expenses.
- It may take up to 5-6 weeks for you to receive your check. It will be sent to the current address listed on your law school application.

