

Travel and Expenses

Requesting a Cash Advance

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If you are travelling on School Business, major costs such as hotels and flights can be booked in advance by using the School travel management company – <u>Diversity Travel</u> or by using a School <u>Purchasing Card</u>.

However, there will be occasions where costs will be incurred whilst you are away. You can request an advance, to be paid into your bank account, to cover these costs. You must then submit an expense claim upon your return to match the advance.

In general, no further advance will be made until a previous advance is cleared, though minor balances may be carried forward at the discretion of the Finance Director or the Head of Financial Reporting & Compliance.

1 Requesting a Cash Advance



6. Complete the following fields:

Field	Value
User – Requesting an	1. By default, the User field is populated with your name
Advance for Yourself	Add Advance Document
	A Details
	User 201635804 (Ellen Smith)
User – Requesting an	2. If you are requesting an advance on behalf of a colleague:
Colleague	 Click on the down arrow in the User field
	Click on the Advanced search link
	 In the Search field enter your search criteria for the name In this example the search is for "Khan"
	User
	khan 🙁 🗸 🔎
	User Alias User Full Name Job Title Department
	201705825 Aadil Khan
	201637216 Afrah Khan
	201804282 Amaan Laknani 201806598 Amara Khan
	 Click on the applicable name The field is populated with your selection Add Advance Document Details User 201728138 (Anisa Khan)
	NOTE : When the request is submitted, it will be routed to the selected staff member to approve the advance request

Field	Value				
Advance Date	Click on the calendar icon in the Advance Date field and select the latest date the funds should be transferred to the claimant's bank account. Advance Date * • 05-Aug-2019 • Advances should be requested and approved at least 10 working days before the funds are required in the claimant's bank account to ensure the funds are available.				
Payment Method	This field is automatically populated and cannot be amended Payment Method Pay Employee Advance				
Description	Enter a meaningful explanation for the cash advance in the Description field, eg. Trip to universites in South America Description * Trip to universities in South America				
Dates	6. Enter the dates of your trip. From Date * To Date * 07-Aug-2019 23-Aug-2019				
Advance for project managed by LSE R&I?*	 7. By default the field is set to "No" Advance for project managed by LSE R&I? * NO (No) If applicable, click on the down arrow and select "YES (Yes)" R&I is LSE Research and Innovation 				

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oject Number Project lated)	8.	If you have cha managed by L corresponding	anged the previous field, i.e. Advance for .SE R&I? to "Yes" it will be necessary to e project code.	project nter the			
		Project No (if Proj	ject Related):	•			
	•	Click on the do	wn arrow in the field				
		To search for t	he project click on the 🗐 Advanced search	link			
	In this example the search is for "america" Project No (if Project Related):						
		america	۹ - ۵				
	$\mathbf{\hat{\forall}} \approx 1 - 7 \text{ of } 7 \text{ records.}$						
		Selection Code	Description	Status			
	100084 Promoting And Regulating Generic Medicines In Latin						
		100138 Systems Of Violence In The Americas: Reframing Urb					
		100138	Systems Of Violence In The Americas: Reframing Urb	Active			
		100138 101580	Systems Of Violence In The Americas: Reframing Urb How America Shaped the Early M	Active Active			
		100138 101580 101596	Systems Of Violence In The Americas: Reframing Urb How America Shaped the Early M Kant in South America	Active Active Active			
		100138 101580 101596 101707	Systems Of Violence In The Americas: Reframing Urb How America Shaped the Early M Kant in South America Latin America and Caribbean Centre Blog	Active Active Active Active			
		100138 101580 101596 101707 103325	Systems Of Violence In The Americas: Reframing Urb How America Shaped the Early M Kant in South America Latin America and Caribbean Centre Blog American Friends of LSE	Active Active Active Active Active			

Field	Value				
Cost Centre	. Type a keyword into the Cost Cente box and select the app	licable option			
	Cost Centre: anthr	•			
	Selection Code Description				
	1006 Anthropology - Academic Activity				
	1007 Anthropology - Administration				
	1009 Anthropology of Economy				
	1233 Philanthropy				
	1237 Philanthropy Research				
	E Advanced search				
	The field is populated with your selection	5			
	Cost Centre: 1009 (Anthropology of Economy)				
Expected Reconciliation Date	0. Enter the date you will complete the expense claim for your should be within two weeks of your return date	trip – this			
	Expected Reconcilliation Due Date * 30-Aug-2019				
Currency Code	11. This field is set to GBP by default. Only GBP advances are available to be paid into your UK bank account				
	Currency Code * GBP (British Pounds Sterling)	•			
	Exch Rate 1.000000				
Request Total 12. Enter the amount of that you would like to request Request Total 400.00					

Field	Value
Optional Notes	13. Add any other relevant information for your approver Optional Notes Will be travelling to various countries which will require local expenditure I couldn't book in advance.

2 Submitting a Cash Advance for Approval

1. When you have completed the form click on the

button in the top right hand corner

A summary of your request is displayed:

User Training 25			
Advance Date 05-Aug-2019			
Payment Method Pay Employee Advance			
Description Trip to universities in So	outh America		
From Date 07-Aug-2019	To Date 23-Aug-2019		
Is Advance related to Resea NO (No)	rch?		
Project No (if Project Relate 100138 (Systems Of Vic Violenc)	d): lence In The Americas: Reframin	g Urban	
Cost Centre: 1009 (Anthropology of	Economy)		
Expected Reconcilliation Du 30-Aug-2019	e Date		
Currency Code British Pounds Sterling	(GBP)		
Exch Rate 1.000000			
Request Total 400.00			
		local	

Save

2. If you would like to edit the information, click on the **Z** Edit button in the top right hand corner of the summary

The form reopens so that you can make the desired modifications and Save

3. If/when everything is correct, click on the Submit button in the top left hand corner of the page

3 Checking the Status of your Claim

You can see where your claim is in the approval chain by selecting Approval History. The claim will be reviewed by the Finance Division and subsequently routed to your approver.

1.	If applicable, to open the cash advance, click on My Travel & Expenses						
2.	Click on the My Documents tab Your list of travel and expenses document opens						
	In the list a submitted cash advance request appears with the status of Review Advance like the example below. This also shows the reference number for the claim, which will be needed later when providing receipts against it						
	Cash advance for trip to Manchester 01479 19-Aug-2019 to 23-Aug-2019 (5 days) Training 5	eg Finance Pool ⇒€	REVIEW ADVANCE Available 400.00 Total 400.00				
3.	. Click on the relevant cash advance in the list						
4.	Click on the View button on the	e right hand side					
	The cash advance document is op	ened					
5.	. Click on the Approval History pane on the left side of the page The Approval History page opens						
•	• The red row indicates the advance is assigned to the Finance Pool to review the advance Once it has been checked it will be forwarded to the Budget Holder to approve						
	Advance Details Date 07-Aug-2019	Approval History					
	Total 400.00 Available 400.00	\sim Make a Request					
	·	Review Advance					
	0 Attachments	Approve Advance					
		End Task					
	Approval History						

4 Making an Expense Claim using a Cash Advance

 See the <u>Making an Expense Claim - Full Guide</u> or the <u>Quick Guide to Preparing and</u> <u>Managing Your Expense Claims</u> for details about submitting your receipts against your advance. The process is almost identical to the process for making a claim for out of pocket expenses. The only difference is:

If the expense information is to be offset against a previously received cash advance the Payment Method field on each expense should be changed to the second option, Pay using Employee Advance (use drop down to display this). This will reveal a box into which your Advance number should appear. If you have more than one, you will need to select the relevant Advance document.

Payment Method * Pay using Employee Advance •	Associated Advance Doc 002647	ument *			0.
Description *	Document Number	Description	Available	Total	Currency
	002647	xx	1,257.00	1,257.00	GBP
	Advanced search				