

# Create Expense Report

## Employee Reimbursement



**Note:** This guide will be further developed as we adapt to Workday.

**Create Expense Report** is used to reconcile overnight travel expenses, and request out of pocket reimbursement, including mileage.

This guide covers steps for completing an **Expense Report** to request reimbursement.

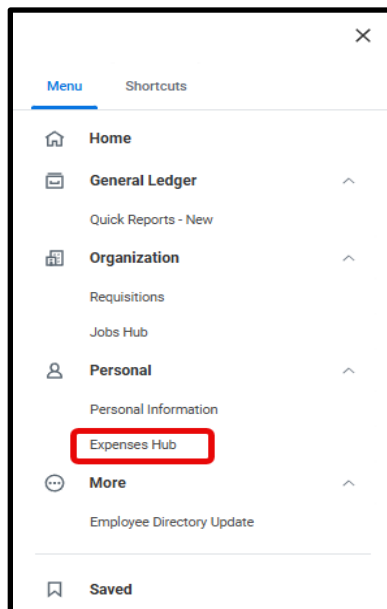
*Note: Before you begin, have your receipts and documents available to attach to your report. Also, **you must have an approved Spend Authorization before you begin your expense report. Print to PDF your approved Spend Authorization to add as an attachment to your Expense Report.***



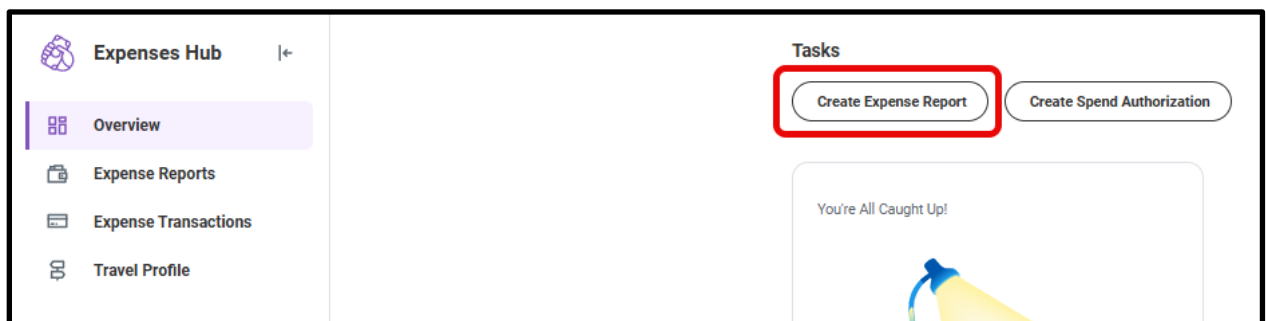
## Create an Expense Report

1. Select the Menu icon at the top left corner, select the Menu tab, scroll down to Personal category, and select Expenses Hub.

Alternatively, you may search for **Create Expense Report** in the search bar located in the application header.



1. From the **Overview** section of the **Expenses Hub**, select the **Create Expense Report** button.



2. On the **Create Expense Report** screen, review the **Instructions** section before proceeding.



3. In the **Expense Report Information** section, fields will auto-populate with default information from the employee's Workday profile, and no changes are necessary. Expenses will be individually allocated in later steps.
  - a. **Expense Report For:** This field will default with your name.
  - b. **Creation Options:**
    - i. **Create New Expense Report:** Use this option to create a new request for out-of-pocket reimbursement or mileage. Note: do not use this option for overnight travel reimbursement.
    - ii. **Copy Previous Expense Report:** Use this option to create a copy of a previously submitted Expense Report, with pre-filled details from that report. For example, this can be used for recurring trips that have the exact location and mileage. Update report details as needed before submitting.
    - iii. **Create Expense Report from Spend Authorization:** Refer to the Create Spend Authorization Guide for information on how to complete this type of report. **THIS IS THE ONLY ONE YOU CAN USE AT THIS TIME**
  - c. **Memo:** Use this field to **name** your report. Include the following information: month/year, type of report (expense card, Employee Reimbursement, Mileage, Travel), and event name, if applicable (e.g., June 2025 Mileage, July 2025 Expense Card). You may use any additional naming convention that is useful to you.
  - d. **Company:** This field defaults to The Foundation for Grossmont & Cuyamaca College and should be kept as is.
  - e. **Expense Report Date:** This field defaults with the current date and should be changed to reflect the month in which the expense occurred. **This date drives the posting date.** For example, if it is November 3 and you are turning in your October mileage, change this date to 10/31/XX.
  - f. The following fields will default to the information that is in the employee's profile. Check the smartkey to be sure it is correct. If it is not correct, change it to the appropriate smartkey. All the other fields below the smartkey will auto populate. **Individual expenses will be added and allocated on the next page.**
    - i. **SmartKey – this is the only info you need to enter in this section. The other fields will auto populate based on the smartkey**
    - ii. **Fund**



- iii. **Cost Center**
- iv. **Program**
- v. **Business Unit**
- vi. **Additional Worktags**

4. Select the **OK** button to create the report.

Expense Report Information

Expense Report For

Contingent Worker: Sally Cox [C]

Creation Options

Create New Expense Report

Copy Previous Expense Report

Create New Expense Report from Spend Authorization

Memo

July 2025 Conference

Company

The Foundation for Grossmont & Cuyamaca Colleges

Expense Report Date

08/08/2025

Business Purpose

SmartKey

D2105U0 General Aux Operations

Fund

D1 Auxiliary

Cost Center

CST\_D001 Operations

Program

D10001 AUX OPS

Business Unit

6 Auxiliary Oversight

Additional Worktags

Zip: 00000 - N/A

OK

Cancel

Note: Reference to the top dark blue bar after Ok is selected. Workday has assigned an Expense Report number that includes information entered in the Memo field. This area always notes the Pay to and Status of your report.

Pay To Contingent Worker: Sally Cox [C]	Status Draft	Personal 0.00 USD	Reimbursement 0.00 USD	Total 0.00 USD
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5. **Header** tab: Use this tab to change the name of your report, if needed. Select the Edit button to update the Memo field. **Be sure to select the correct payment type (CK-AX for D smartkeys or CK-FD for F smartkeys).**
6. **Attachments** tab: You can add attachments here. You may also be prompted to add attachments to expense lines. We recommend you turn your receipts into one PDF and attach the same document when prompted. Attachments will be added directly to Expense Line items, as detailed in step 10.
7. **Expense Lines** tab: To request a reimbursement, select the **Add** button to create an **Expense Line** for your report.

8. Enter the following information for each added **Expense Line**:
  - a. **Attachments**:
    - i. Upload your receipt or other related documentation by dragging and dropping into the **Drop files here** area or using the **Select Files** button.
  - b. **Expense Line**: Enter the following information for each expense.
    - i. **Expense Date**: Update this field to the date of your purchase - this date should match the date on your receipt (or the date miles driven if requesting mileage reimbursement).
    - ii. **Expense Item**: Select the applicable **Expense Item**. Unique fields and instructions will populate for the given **Expense Item**. Search by:
      - Entering keyword(s).





- Selecting from the dropdown menu in **By Expense Item Group**.
  - Searching **By Alphabetical Order**.
- iii. **Total Amount:** Enter the total cost listed on your receipt, or a **Quantity** and **Per Unit Amount**, if these fields appear.
  - iv. **Memo:** Optional. Enter additional details about this transaction for report approvers as needed.

**Expense Line**

Drop files here

or

Select files

Expense Date	*	08/08/2025	
Expense Item	*	x 5210 Parking	
Quantity	*	1	
Per Unit Amount	*	30.00	
Total Amount	*	30.00	
Currency	*	USD	
Memo		Conference parking	

- v. **SmartKey:** Select SmartKey.



*SmartKey	<input type="text" value="X D2105U0 General Aux Operations"/>
*Fund	<input type="text" value="X D1 Auxiliary"/>
*Cost Center	<input type="text" value="X CST_D001 Operations"/>
*Program	<input type="text" value="X D10001 AUX OPS"/>
*Business Unit	<input type="text" value="X 6 Auxiliary Oversight"/>
*Additional Worktags	<input type="text" value="X Zip: 00000 - N/A"/>

- c. **Instructions:** Instructions specific to your Expense Item will populate in this section. Please review them carefully to ensure you include all required information.
- d. **Item Details:** Each Expense Item will show distinctive fields, depending on the information required. All required fields under **Item Details** must be completed. The following fields are typically required.
- Business Reason:** A clear business connection for the Expense Item must be detailed here.
  - Merchant:** State the business name you purchased from, as listed on your receipt.
  - Detailed description of this purchase is required for auditing purposes:
  - In the example shown below, the **Item Details** for the **Expense Item - Parking** are displayed.*

### Item Details

Hotel

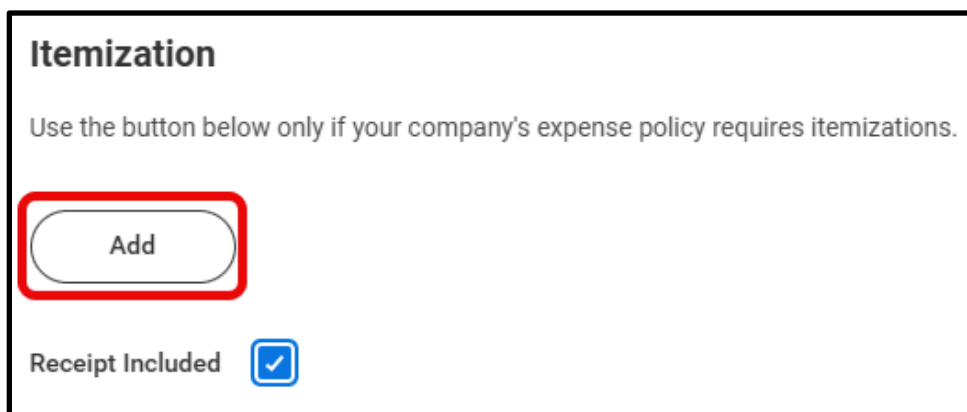
- e. **Itemization:** If the expense will be shared amongst different Cost Centers, you may itemize allocations for the Expense Line.



To itemize an expense:

- i. Select the **Add** button under **Itemization**.
- ii. Enter information for the fields displayed. Fields will vary depending on the Expense Item. All required fields must be completed.
- iii. Continue to select **Add** to itemize each item.
- iv. Select **Done** when the remaining amount is \$0.00.

Note: Itemized entries must equal the total of the Expense Line.



**Itemization**

Use the button below only if your company's expense policy requires itemizations.

Add

Receipt Included ☒

- f. **Enter your comment field:** Add additional details for Approvers as needed.
- g. Select the **Save for Later, Close, or Submit** button.
  - i. **Save for Later:** Use this button to save the report at any point. This will capture all completed fields for individual expense items. See the Edit Expense Report Section on page 11.

Note: The **enter your comment field** will not save with the **Save for Later** button. To add a comment for Approvers to see, it must be entered when you are ready to **Submit**. Alternatively, the **Memo** field in the individual **Expense Lines** may be used to add comments. **Memos** will save with the **Save for Later** button.

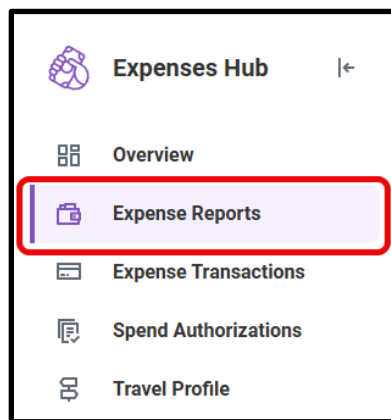
- ii. **Close:** Use this button to cancel and delete the report.
- iii. **Submit:** Use this button when the report is complete. If needed, edits can be made to the report until it is approved.

Note: An error message will appear if the report is missing an attachment or other required information. The report will save to your Expenses Hub with errors.



## Edit an Expense Report

1. Navigate to the **Expense Reports** section of the **Expenses Hub** to view all your Expense Reports.



2. You may edit any **Expense Report** that has not yet been **approved** via the **Actions** menu.
  - If the report has not been submitted and is in **Draft** status, select the **Actions** dropdown menu, then select **Edit Expense Report**.

My Expense Reports 16 items

Expense Report	Actions	Expense Report Date	Status	Memo
FD-ER000749	Actions ▼	08/08/2025	Draft	For confere related trav
FD-ER000750	Actions ▼ Cancel Expense Report Edit Expense Report	08/08/2025	Draft	July 2025 C
FD-ER000618		06/26/2024	Paid	JUNE MILE
FD-ER000463		11/07/2023	Paid	REIMBURS BOARD ME MEETING R



- If the report has been submitted (but not approved), select the **Actions** dropdown menu and then select **Change Expense Report**.

My Expense Reports 16 items

Expense Report	Actions	Expense Report Date	Status	Memo
FD-ER000749	<div> <div>Actions ▼</div> <div> Cancel Expense Report Change Expense Report </div> </div>	08/08/2025	Waiting on Expense Data Entry Specialist	For conferen related trave
FD-ER000750		08/08/2025	Draft	July 2025 Co

- On the **Change Expense Report** screen, select the **OK** button to proceed.

Note: The status of the expense report will change to Waiting on Initiator.

**Change Expense Report** FD-ER000749 For conference and conference related travel expenses

This action will change the status of this expense report to **Waiting on Initiator**. You must resubmit this expense report.

Press OK to proceed.

**OK** Cancel

- On the **Change Expense Report** screen, select the **OK** button to proceed.

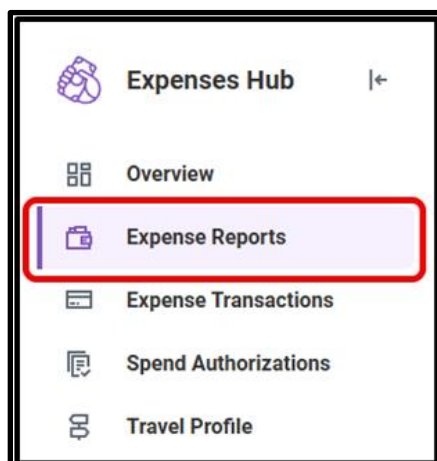
Note: The status of the Expense Report will change to Waiting on Initiator.

3. Update the Expense Report as needed.
4. Select the **Submit** or **Save for Later** button.



## Cancel an Expense Report

1. From the **Expense Reports** section of the **Expenses Hub**, view all your current Expense Reports.



2. You may cancel any **Expense Report** that has not yet been approved.
3. Select the **Actions** menu and then select **Cancel Expense Report**.

My Expense Reports 16 items

Expense Report	Actions	Expense Report Date	Status	Memo
FD-ER000749	<div>Actions ▼</div> <div>Cancel Expense Report</div> <div>Change Expense Report</div>	08/08/2025	Waiting on Expense Data Entry Specialist	For conferen related trave
FD-ER000750		08/08/2025	Draft	July 2025 Co

4. On the **Cancel Expense Report** screen, select the **OK** button.



**Cancel Expense Report**
FD-ER000749 For conference and conference related travel expenses

Pay To  
Contingent Worker: Sally Cox [C]

Status  
Waiting on Expense Data Entry Specialist

Personal  
0.00 USD

Reimbursement  
30.00 USD

Total  
30.00 USD

Spend Authorization  
(empty)

Final Expense Report  
☐

Expense Report Number  
FD-ER000749

Memo  
\* For conference and conference related travel expenses

Company  
The Foundation for Grossmont & Cuyamaca Colleges

Expense Report Date  
\* 08/08/2025

Business Purpose  
(empty)

Reimbursement Payment Type \* Check

Budget Check Status  
Not Required

1 Item

Expense Report Line Date	Expense Item	Extended Amount	Currency
08/08/2025	5210 Parking	30.00	USD

OK

Cancel

5. The Expense Report status will display as **Canceled** under My Expense Reports.

## Have Questions?

For assistance with non-technical issues related to Expense Reports, Spend Authorization, or Vendor Payment, contact Heba Almasraf, Sue Fisher, or Laura Gordon