Department of Mathematics
Graduate Student Travel/Research Grant Application Instructions

Graduate students enrolled in the PhD program are eligible for travel funding of up to $1,000 each year from either faculty grants or the department travel grant. The Travel Grant funds are intended for academic travel only and may not be combined with expenses for another purpose.

Before you travel

- Discuss the academic nature of the travel with your advisor or the director of graduate studies.
- Complete the Travel/Research Grant Application. The application is available on the department web page at https://www.math.harvard.edu/resources/administrative/graduate-student-forms/. Paper copies are available in the wooden information box across from office 331.
- Include the date of the application, your HUID, name, address, and the information below.
  1. Name of the meeting, conference, or workshop. Please include both the name of the conference and the name of the sponsoring institution, organization, or university.
  2. Location of the conference: Include the city, state, and if international, the country.
  3. Dates of travel
  4. Detailed description of the purpose and the reason for the travel (learn about a subject, give a talk, present a paper--include the title).
  5. Dollar amount* requested for the expenses you expect to submit for reimbursement (Airfare, lodging, conference fee, etc).
  6. Sources of support for the trip—indicate sources of funding requested for the trip.
- Attach a printout of the conference/workshop/meeting that includes the conference name, the dates, and location with the application.
- Obtain an approval signature from your advisor or the director of graduate studies (DGS), and ask your advisor to indicate if he or she has funding for graduate student travel.
- Submit the approved Travel/Research Grant Application with the copy of the conference information and any prepaid receipts to the graduate program administrator before you travel.

Within 30 days after you complete your travel**

- Complete and sign the Harvard Non Employee Reimbursement Form. The form is available on the department web page at https://www.math.harvard.edu/resources/administrative/graduate-student-forms/. Paper copies are available in the info box across from office 331.
- Submit the completed Non Employee Reimbursement Form along with your receipts and itinerary to the graduate program administrator.
- Original receipts may be computer printouts of airline tickets, but the receipts must contain your name, itinerary with dates of travel, payment information (such as the last four digits of a credit card), and date of payment. If the receipt does not include payment information, you may submit a copy of your bank/credit card statement with the payment information, including last four digits of the account number, along with a missing receipt affidavit available at https://www.math.harvard.edu/resources/administrative/financial-forms/
- For bus and train travel, both the boarding passes and receipt are required.

* Please see the graduate program administrator to check balances in your account.
** To guarantee timely processing of your reimbursement, you must submit the Non-Employee Reimbursement form within 30 days from the date you complete your trip.