

Cash Advance Help Guide

General Travel Advance Information

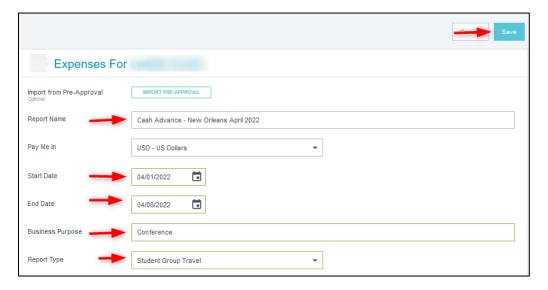
- Cash advance requests for travel must be submitted via Chrome River. Such requests route to the requester's
 supervisor, vice president, and to the vice president of administration and finance. Cash advances are included
 in the weekly Accounts Payable check runs and their associated direct deposits appear in requesters' bank
 accounts on Friday. It is the responsibility of the requester to initiate the request early enough to allow time for
 approval and processing. Requesters can track their cash advances using the Tracking button in Chrome River.
- 2. The following must be attached to every cash advance request in Chrome River:
 - a. A trip itinerary that lists travel dates and destinations
 - b. A proposed itemized budget
 - c. A list of all students participating in the trip.
- 3. Cash advances are paid via direct deposit. Accounts Payable direct deposit differs from Payroll direct deposit. Directions for enrolling in Accounts Payable direct deposit are available on the Accounts Payable website at: www.kent.edu/accountspayable/expreimdd
- 4. Cash advance recipients must obtain itemized receipts for all travel expenditures made with advanced funds, including but not limited to meals, lodging, and transportation. The receipts must be attached to the final travel reimbursement reconciliation.
 - a. It is the reponsibility of cash advance recipient to become familiar with university travel policy 7-02.8 and understand its requirements as well as restrictions and procedures related to all applicable schools, departments, divisions, sponsored programs, etc.
 - b. Questions regarding such restrictions can be directed to the appropriate financial or program manager or Accounts Payable.
- 5. Within five days of returning to the university, cash advance recipients must submit an expense report, to reconcile the cash advance and related expenditures, via Chrome River. After submitting the report:
 - a. If travel expenses are less than the amount of the advance, submit a personal check written to KENT STATE UNIVERSITY to Accounts Payable.
 - b. If travel expenses exceed the amount of the advance, a reimbursement payment will be issued.

Requesting a Cash Advance in Chrome River (Before Travel)

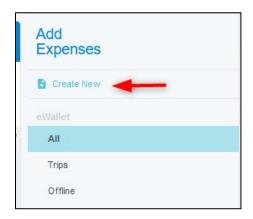
1. Within Chrome River, click on the **Create** button on your Expenses ribbon.



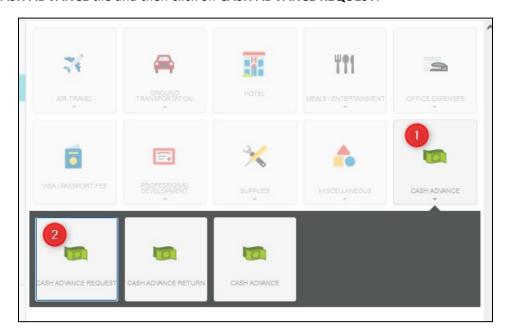
2. Complete the report header fields and then click **Save**.



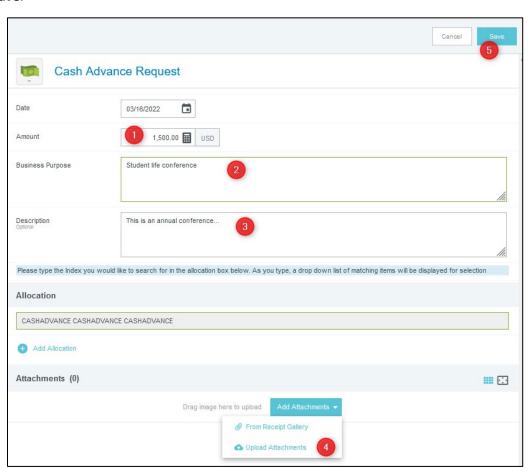
3. Select **Create New**, in the Add Expenses column.



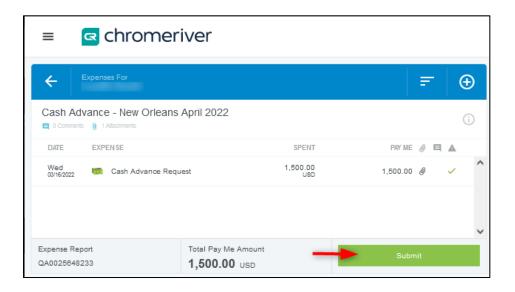
4. Click on the CASH ADVANCE tile and then click on CASH ADVANCE REQUEST.



Complete the required fields and attach your trip itinerary, budget, and list of students who are attending the trip.
 Do not change the entry in the Allocation field. It must read CASH ADVANCE CASH ADVANCE.
 Then click Save.



6. Click **Submit**.

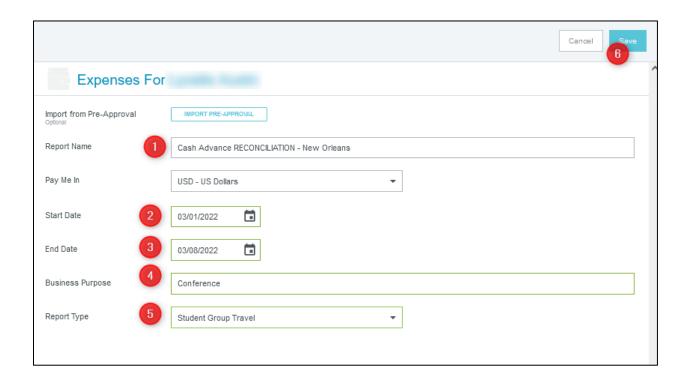


Reconciling a Cash Advance in Chrome River (After Travel)

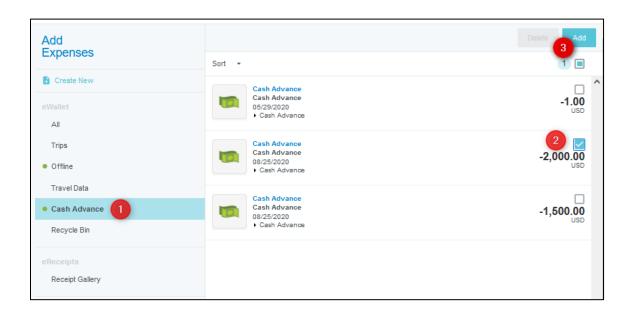
1. Within Chrome River, click on the **Create** button on your Expenses ribbon.



2. Complete the report header fields and then click **Save**.



3. Under Add Expenses, click on **Cash Advance** to see a list of your outstanding cash advances. Then select the appropriate cash advance from the column on the right, before clicking the **Add** button.



4. When the Cash Advance expense form opens, click the **Save** button.



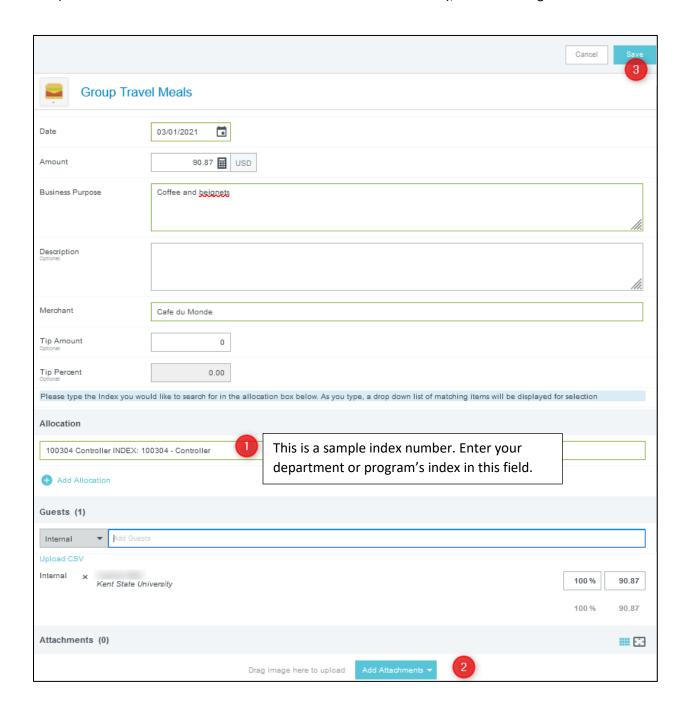
- 5. Add each of your expenses to the report.
 - a. Click the plus sign that is at the top of the panel on the left.



b. Under Add Expenses, select **Create New**, click on the appropriate expense tile, and then select the appropriate expense.

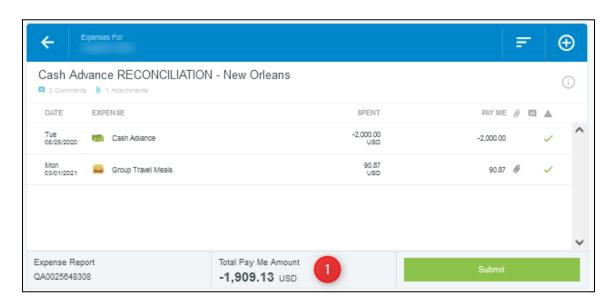


c. Complete all required fields, attach your receipt and <u>enter the index to be charged in the Allocation field</u> (do not leave it as CASHADVANCE CASHADVANCE, before clicking **Save**.

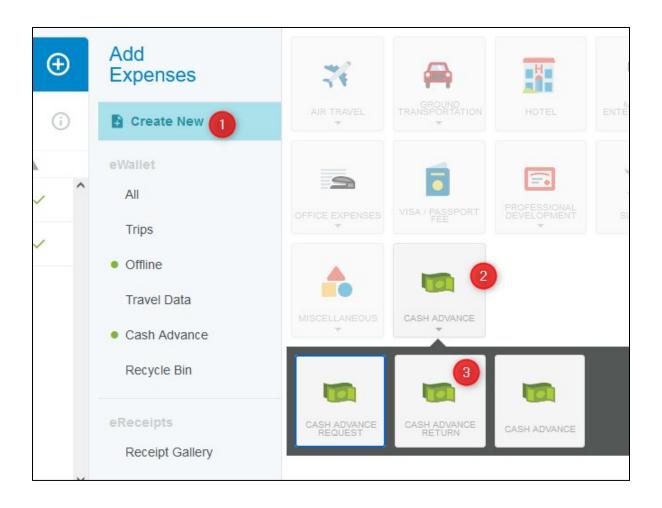


- 6. When you have finished entering all expenses:
 - a. <u>If the university owes you money</u> (i.e., if your expenditures were greater than the amount of the cash advance), click **Submit** on your report. Once it is approved, you will receive an expense reimbursement payment via direct deposit.
 - b. <u>If you owe the university money</u> (i.e., if the amount of the cash advance exceeded the expenditures), see Step 7.

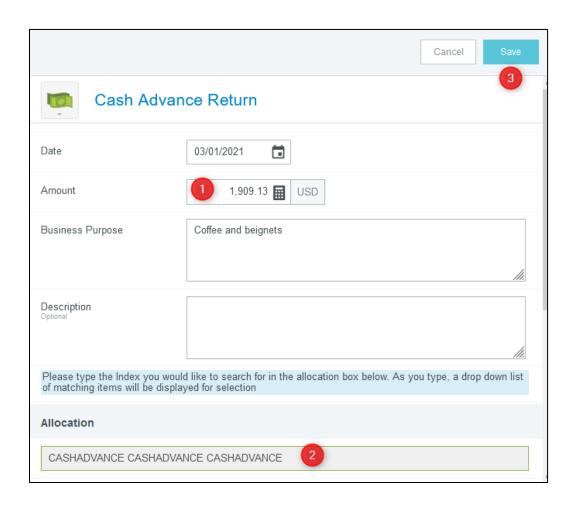
7. This step should only be taken if your total expenditures were less than the amount of the cash advance and the **Total Pay Me Amount** is negative.



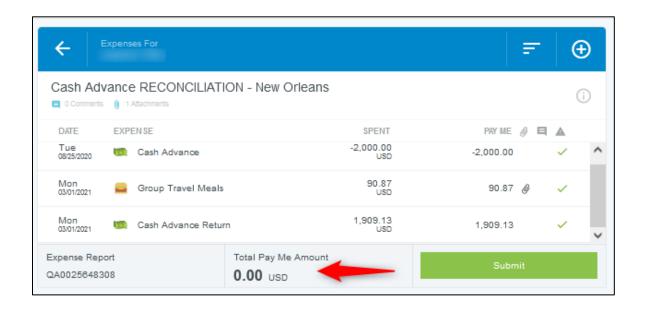
a. On the Add Expenses menu, click **Create New**, choose **CASH ADVANCE**, and then select **CASH ADVANCE RETURN**.



b. Enter the amount of money that you are returning to the university. This should be the **Total Pay Me Amount**, expressed as a positive number. Note that the Allocation field must be left as CASHADVANCE
CASHADVANCE CASHADVANCE. Click **Save**.



c. The **Total Pay Me Amount** should now be zero.



- d. Write a check payable to **KENT STATE UNIVERSITY** for an amount equal to the **CASH ADVANCE RETURN** amount (\$1909.13 in the example above) and send it to **Accounts Payable**.
- e. Click **Submit** on your report.