

## RE-3 Senators and Officers Post Travel Disclosure of Travel Expenses

Date/Time Stamp

**Post Travel Filing Instructions:** Complete this form within **30 days** of returning from travel. Submit all forms to the Office of Public Records in 144 Hart Building. **This form is a public disclosure. The form and all attachments will be made publicly available.**

**Certification:** In compliance with the Regulations Governing Privately Sponsored Travel, Senate Rule 35, and the Honest Leadership and Open Government Act of 2007, I certify that I accepted the following gift of privately sponsored travel:

**Private Sponsor(s):**

University of Chicago Institute of Politics

**Travel Dates:**

Friday, October 24, 2025

**Name of accompanying family member (if any):**

N/A

**Relationship to Traveler:**

N/A

### Total Expenses

| Transportation Expenses | Lodging Expenses | Meals Expenses | Other Expenses (Amount & Description) |
|-------------------------|------------------|----------------|---------------------------------------|
| \$1,303                 | \$0              | \$0            | \$0                                   |

I also certify that attached to this form are all required documents for post travel disclosure, including:

- The final **Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form** with all attachments
- The final invitation
- The final approved itinerary

I certify that all trip information reflected in the attachments above accurately reflects the travel that I accepted. If there were any changes to the trip after I received approval from the Committee, the changes are described in ATTACHMENT 1.

I have made a determination that the expenses set out above in connections with travel described in the Employee Pre-Travel Authorization form, are necessary transportation, lodging, and related expenses as defined in Rule 35.

11/03/2025

Date

Lisa Munkowski

Printed Name of Senator/Officer



Signature of Senator/Officer

# Trip Name: Senator Murkowski at UChicago Institute of Politics

## Organization Information

**Organization Name:**

University of Chicago Institute of Politics

**Is your organization classified as a §501(c)(3)?**

Yes



No

**If Yes, §501(c)(3) Organization Type:**

Private Foundation



Public Charity

**Address:**

5707 S Woodlawn Ave

**City, State, Zip:**

Chicago, IL, 60637

**Phone Number:**

773-702-2386

**Organization URL:**<https://politics.uchicago.edu/>

## History of Congressional Travel

Describe your organization's history of sponsoring congressional travel.

The University of Chicago Institute of Politics has hosted several Members of Congress -- both Representatives and Senators -- to speak at public events with the same format since our founding in 2013.

## Educational Activities

Describe the educational activities performed by your organization other than sponsoring congressional travel.

The nonpartisan Institute of Politics is committed to fostering in our students a passion for public service, meaningful dialogue and active engagement in our democracy. Four core programs form the heart of the Institute: civic engagement opportunities that enable students to experience politics-in-action through political exploration trips, leadership training, service programs and voter engagement projects; visiting fellows where distinguished political officials, policymakers, journalists, diplomats and others are in residence and teach seminars on campus during an academic quarter; political and public service internships that provide students with paid, substantive career development opportunities; and a continuous series of public events featuring leading political figures sharing their insights on key issues of the day.

## Lobbyist and Foreign Agent Registration Information

**Lobbyist Registration Status (Select one):**

I certify that the sponsor is not a federally registered lobbyist and does not retain or employ a federally registered lobbyist.



I certify that the sponsor is not a federally registered lobbyist but does retain or employ one or more federally registered lobbyists.

**Foreign Agent Registration Status (Select one):**

I certify that the sponsor is not an agent of a foreign principal and does not retain or employ an agent of a foreign principal.



I certify that the sponsor is not an agent of a foreign principal but does retain or employ one or more agents of a foreign principal.

## Foreign Government Involvement

**Foreign Agent Registration Status (Must select all):**

I certify that the sponsor is not a foreign government.



I certify that the sponsor is not an entity that is owned or operated by a foreign government.



I certify that the sponsor does not receive funding from a foreign government.

**Purpose and Details****Provide a brief description of the trip.**

The purpose of the trip is for Senator Murkowski to participate in a public moderated conversation at the University of Chicago Institute of Politics.

**Explain how the purpose of the trip relates to your organization's mission.**

By hearing from an ideologically diverse range of leaders in public service including elected and appointed officials in state, local, and federal government, our students are able to learn more about key issues and various political stakeholders in order to better inform them for careers in public service.

**Is your organization the only sponsor for this trip?**

☒ Yes ☐ No

**If No, describe your organization's role in planning the trip.**

If there are multiple sponsors, each sponsor must submit Organization Information (Page 1 of the Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form) and a Signature Page Form.

**Grantmaking Organizations (Optional)****If you have a Grantmaking Organization, you must attach a Grantmaking Organization Certification Form.**

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

## Travel Details (Submit additional pages as needed)

Trip Start Date/Time:  
10/24/2025



Trip End Date/Time:  
10/24/2025

Will the traveler be accompanied by a family member for whom the sponsor will pay travel expenses?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Transportation (Member/Officer/Employee: \$1,360 Accompanying Family Member: \$N/A)

| Transportation Type                                   | Class             | Amount          |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Airfare (DCA -> ORD, ORD -> DCA)                      | Economy Plus      | \$530.78        |
| Ground transportation (round trip, ORD -> University) | Black car service | \$759.50        |
| Uber Black from campus to ORD                         | Uber Black        | \$70 (estimate) |
| Details (optional)                                    |                   |                 |

Lodging (Member/Officer/Employee: \$0 Accompanying Family Member: \$N/A)

| Check-In | Check-Out  | Facility                      | City                                                                                     | State | Country |
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| Nights   | Cost/Night | Cost Exceed Per Diem (Yes/No) | If Yes, please explain why expenses over the per diem rate are reasonable and necessary. |       |         |
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| Nights   | Cost/Night | Cost Exceed Per Diem (Yes/No) | If Yes, please explain why expenses over the per diem rate are reasonable and necessary. |       |         |
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Meals (Member/Officer/Employee: \$<sup>0</sup> Accompanying Family Member: \$<sup>N/A</sup>)

| Date | Breakfast | Lunch | Dinner | Incidentals | Total | City | State | Country | Cost Exceeds<br>Per Diem (Y/N) |
|------|-----------|-------|--------|-------------|-------|------|-------|---------|--------------------------------|
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If costs exceed the federal per diem, please explain why expenses over the per diem rate are reasonable and necessary.

#### Reasonable Miscellaneous Expenses

(Member/Officer/Employee: \$<sup>0</sup> Accompanying Family Member: \$<sup>N/A</sup>)

| Expense Type | Amount | Notes |
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#### Additional Details (optional)

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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO  
INSTITUTE OF POLITICS

Senator Lisa Murkowski (R-AK) In Conversation  
Friday, October 24, 2025 | 12:30 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. CST  
International House  
1414 E 59th St, Chicago, IL 60637

#### About the Institute of Politics (IOP)

The nonpartisan Institute of Politics is committed to fostering in our students a passion for public service, meaningful dialogue and active engagement in our democracy.

Four core programs form the heart of the Institute: **civic engagement opportunities** that enable students to experience politics-in-action through political exploration trips, leadership training, service programs and voter engagement projects; **visiting fellows** where distinguished political officials, policymakers, journalists, diplomats and others are in residence on campus during an academic quarter; **political and public service internships** that provide students with paid, substantive career development opportunities; and a **continuous series of public events** featuring leading political figures sharing their insights on key issues of the day.

#### Description

An intimate conversation with Senator Lisa Murkowski, Republican of Alaska, as she discusses her new book, her fluctuating relationship with her colleagues, her party, and the President – plus, the view from one of the nation's most remote and complex states. Moderated by David French, *New York Times* columnist and former senior editor of *The Dispatch*.

#### Event Overview

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| Audience:     | UChicago students, faculty, & staff and members of the general public                                                           |
| Format:       | Moderated conversation followed by audience Q&A                                                                                 |
| Media:        | On the record   live streamed to IOP's <a href="#">YouTube</a> channel                                                          |
| Tickets:      | Free (attendees must register)                                                                                                  |
| IOP Contacts: | Jennifer Steinhauer, Director, Speaker Series – 917.678.8077<br>Emma Deutsch, Production Manager, Speaker Series – 347.255.3048 |

#### Frequently Asked Questions

- What should I wear?
  - We find most speakers prefer to wear business or business casual attire. However, please wear whatever makes you most comfortable. To ensure the best quality live stream & recording, we do recommend avoiding small print and large jewelry.
- What is the knowledge level of the audience?
  - We advise beginning the conversation at an introductory level and then moving deeper into the subject. Additionally, we recommend avoiding using acronyms and abbreviations.
- What is the current campus climate?
  - We recommend checking the latest from our student-run news & opinion publications: [The Chicago Maroon](#), [Chicago Thinker](#), [The Gate](#)



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## Timeline (all times in CT)

- 7:25 a.m. Senator Murkowski boards United flight 775 from DCA to ORD.
- 8:39 a.m. Flight 775 lands at Chicago ORD and Sen. Murkowski is greeted by black car driver to International House (1414 E 59th St, Chicago, IL 60637)
- 10:00 a.m. Senator Murkowski and Heidi Heitkamp arrive to International House (1414 E 59th St, Chicago, IL 60637)  
Please use the discrete entrance at the back of the building via the parking lot off Dorchester Ave (between 58th and 59th Street).  
*Greeted by an IOP staff member, contact Emma Deutsch if you are not met by a staff member upon arrival (347-255-3048)*
- 10:30 a.m. Podcast recording led by the Institute for Climate and Sustainable Growth begins.
- 11:30 a.m. Podcast recording wraps.
- 12:00 p.m. David French arrives to International House (1414 E 59th St, Chicago, IL 60637)  
There is a discrete entrance at the back of the building via the parking lot off Dorchester Ave (between 58th and 59th Street).  
*Greeted by an IOP staff member, contact Emma Deutsch if you are not met by a staff member upon arrival (347-255-3048)*
- 12:20 p.m. Program run-through and speakers mic'd
- 12:27 p.m. Guests escorted to stage  
  
*Speakers will be seated in arm chairs on a raised stage (approx. 18 inches). There will be stairs on the side. Guests will wear lavalier microphones. There will be a monitor in front of the stage with a countdown clock and IOP staff will be able to send messages to speakers.*
- 12:30 p.m. Welcome by Heidi Heitkamp
- 12:33 p.m. Introduction by Greer Reineke, UChicago undergraduate student
- 12:35 p.m. Moderated discussion begins
- 1:20 p.m. Final question before audience Q&A
- 1:25 p.m. Begin audience Q&A  
  
*Attendees will line-up at a stationary microphone that is staffed by IOP. Students will be given priority to ask the first questions.*
- 1:40 p.m. Final question from audience
- 1:44 p.m. Moderator thanks attendees for attending and wraps event
- 1:45 p.m. Program concludes. IOP staff escorts Senator Murkowski to her airport-bound vehicle.
- 4:00 p.m. Senator Murkowski boards United flight 1755 from ORD to DCA.

List of Senate invitees for 10/24/2025 conversation hosted by the University of Chicago Institute of Politics:

Sen. Lisa Murkowski (R-AK)

## With or Without Regard to Congressional Participation (Select one):

- ☐ The trip is arranged or organized without regard to congressional participation.
- ☒ The trip is arranged or organized with regard to congressional participation.

## Lobbyist/Foreign Agent Involvement in Planning, Organizing, Requesting or Arranging

- ☒ The trip will not in any part be planned, organized, requested, or arranged by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal, other than de minimis involvement.

## Lobbyist/Foreign Agent Financing (Must select all):

- ☒ The trip will not be financed in any part by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal.
- ☒ No funds or in-kind contributions were earmarked directly or indirectly for the purpose of financing this specific trip from a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal or from a private entity that retains or employs one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal.

## Lobbyist/Foreign Agent Accompaniment

## Complete if all sponsors are §501(c)(3) organizations (Select one):

- ☒ The trip is limited to three days (for trips inside the continental United States) or seven days (for trips outside the continental United States), and no lobbyist or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee at any point throughout the trip
- ☐ The trip is limited to a one-day event (exclusive of travel time and one overnight stay) and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee on any segment of the trip
- ☐ The trip is limited to a one-day event (exclusive of travel time and two overnight stays) and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee on any segment of the trip

## Complete if any of the sponsors is not a §501(c)(3) organizations (Select one):

- ☐ No sponsor retains or employs a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principle, the trip is limited to three days (for trips inside the continental United States) or seven days (for trips outside the continental United States), and no lobbyist or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee at any point throughout the trip
- ☐ The trip is limited to a one-day event (exclusive of travel time and one overnight stay) and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee on any segment of the trip
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**Required if selecting the third option in either column - Please explain why the second overnight stay is practically required and necessary to accomplish the purpose of the trip.**

## Certification of No Recreational Activity and No Alcohol (Must select all):

- ☒ Travel expenses paid for will not include expenditures for recreational activities.
- ☒ Travel expenses paid for will not include expenditures for alcohol, except as permitted by the Regulations Governing Privately Sponsored Travel.

## Invitees list

- ☒ A list of all Senate invitees is attached to this form (required).
- ☐ Members and staff from the House of Representatives will also receive invitations.

## PRIVATELY SPONSORED TRAVEL

## SPONSOR SIGNATURE PAGE

I hereby certify that the information submitted in connection with the trip listed below is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Trip Name: Senator Murkowski at University of Chicago Institute of Politics  
10/24/2025 - 10/24/2025  
Travel Date(s):  
Chicago, IL  
Travel Destination(s):  
University of Chicago Institute of Politics  
Sponsor:

Emma Deutsch

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*(printed name of sponsor representative)*

Production Manager

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*(title)*

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*(signature of sponsor representative)*

10/08/2025

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*(date)*



Hello,

I am writing in my capacity as senior director at the University of Chicago Institute of Politics to extend a warm invitation to Senator Lisa Murkowski to join us for a midday conversation with David French on campus on Friday, October 24, 2025 about her experience representing Alaska and working as a Senator both within her party and across the aisle.

For this event, we would have a moderated discussion followed by question and answer, with the audience consisting of students, UChicago faculty/staff, and local community members. We also livestream our events, which typically last around 75 minutes, beginning in this case at 12:30 pm CST on the University's campus. We would be happy to cover the cost of transportation and lodging as permitted under Senate ethics rules and of course arrange for any other engagements she may wish to have on campus while here.

The nonpartisan Institute of Politics since its inception a decade ago has been committed to fostering a passion for public service, meaningful dialogue and active democracy work.

Toward that end over the years we have featured events that cover a wide range of topics with speakers including former President Obama, Senator Mitt Romney, former Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg, Nobel Prize winner Maria Ressa and scores of other elected officials, cabinet members and policy thought leaders. We would love for her to join this esteemed roster!

Kindly let me know of your provisional interest and I can provide more details.

Warmly,

Jennifer Steinhauer  
Senior Director, University of Chicago Institute of Politics

## ATTACHMENT 1 – CHANGES FROM APPROVED PRE-TRAVEL

**Note:** Material changes to a trip that occur after the Committee has issued an approval letter may invalidate the Committee's approval. Please contact the Committee with any questions regarding changes to an approved trip.

Were there any changes to the pre-approved travel expenses? (Transportation, Meals, Lodging, Other)?

☒ Yes ☐ No

| Expense Change       | Revised Amount    | Explanation                                                                                                                              |
|----------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| \$759.50 car service | \$436 car service | The Senator did not stop at the Institute of Politics, and instead traveled only between the airport and International House event venue |
| \$530.78 airfare     | \$698.88 airfare  | The Senator's 6 00 pm return flight was exchanged for a 4 00 pm return at a slight cost increase                                         |
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Were there any changes to the pre-approved itinerary?

☒ Yes ☐ No

**Explanation:**

The Senator did not stop at the Institute of Politics and instead traveled directly from ORD to International House, then returned to ORD. She greeted Senator Heidi Heitkamp at International House and recorded a podcast episode at the same venue for the University of Chicago Institute for Climate and Sustainable Growth.

The Senator's final flight schedule 4:00 pm United flight 1755 from ORD to DCA.

Were there any additional changes to the pre-approved trip?

☐ Yes ☒ No

**Explanation:**