

CONNEXXUS NEWSLETTER

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CONNEXXUS DID YOU KNOW

Connexus is the UC/CSU system wide travel program with a secure web portal for arranging travel for faculty, staff and hosted guests of UC/CSU.

In addition to letting you take advantage of UC-negotiated discounts, Connexus:

- Allows you to make your travel arrangements either independently online or through a travel agent
- Searches a comprehensive airfare inventory
- Saves time as a single source for air, car and hotel reservations
- Provides automatic Business and Travel Accident Insurance coverage at no cost to UC employees and students
- Has built in reminders about compliance with travel policy

We encourage you to share your story ideas, questions and comments about the newsletter. To do so, please contact UCTravel@ucop.edu.

KEY NEWS FROM OUR PREFERRED AIRLINE

Southwest Rapid Reward Program Update

Effective January 1, 2011, Southwest has discontinued the double Rapid Reward credit promotion; therefore, travelers who book travel through SWABIZ for Connexus will earn one Rapid Reward credit per one-way trip. It's anticipated that Southwest will be offering another promotional program for UC travelers scheduled to launch Spring 2011. Please check Connexus News and Views for future announcements regarding Southwest's Rapid Rewards program.



CLIQBOOK FOR CONNEXXUS NEW USER INTERFACE

Effective March 1, 2011 you will experience a new look and feel to Cliqbook for Connexus!

The new interface has a cleaner and easier to view design, increased search results, and new options to define your trip requirements. The front page will have your normal view, but as you search for flights and hotels you will see variations in the response pages.

Some items to note are:

- Air search Results for Fare and Schedule are on the same page, with separate tabs (document attached)
- Air results include “more like this” feature to better organize your choices
- Alert if the route offers a non-stop flight outside of your search parameters
- Search results can be narrowed by using sliding bars
- Hotel results include a map above the results and adjusts based on the filters that are chosen.
- Hotels search can be refined by price range, neighborhoods, and amenities
- Multiple hotels can be requested during the initial search from the home page
- Car search allows for off-airport locations
- Itinerary has a new cleaner look

You will also notice that Connexus reservations are powered by Concur featuring Cliqbook Travel. Messaging on the site and your email confirmations will now show “Concur” in place of “Cliqbook”. We are confident that these new features will increase the ease of booking online and welcome your feedback.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Connexus Campus Training – UCM	March 1 – 2
Connexus Campus Training – UCSD	March 22
Connexus Campus Training – UCD	March 23
UCOP Administrative Holiday	March 25



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