

National Consortium of Entrepreneurship Centers
2007 Directors' Conference
Hosted by Department of Entrepreneurship & Emerging Enterprises



October 5 & 6, 2007

General Travel Information for NCEC Participants:

We look forward to seeing you in Syracuse, NY this October for the 2007 NCEC Annual Conference! The official program of the conference will begin on Friday, October 5th at 8:00a.m. However you won't want to miss the Thursday evening all-conference reception. Besides the many sessions and speakers that will focus on the leading edge practices of entrepreneurship centers and programs, we are planning various fun events, including our banquet on Skaneateles Lake and a luncheon at the world-famous Carrier Dome (the largest structure of its kind on a college campus in the country) and a presentation by former head lacrosse coach Roy Simmons, Jr. who led the Syracuse Orange to 19 NCAA playoff appearances, 16 straight Final Fours, and six NCAA national championships.

Fall in Central New York State is a unique time of year, and the season is famous for its colorful leaves and brightly-colored landscape. The average high for the date is around 58, the average low is around 40. There are many things to see and do around Central New York, such as visiting the local vineyards in the nearby Finger Lakes, most of whom have won awards and/or special recognition for their wine. To learn about some of the unique things Central New York State has to offer, visit <http://www.visitsyracuse.org>.

Below is some general travel information that may help you in your planning. Additional information regarding the program schedule, dress code, and venues will be sent later. In the meantime, if you have any additional questions about logistics please contact:

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Airport:

The Syracuse Hancock International Airport (SYR) is located approximately 5 miles north of Syracuse University and the Sheraton Hotel (a 15 minute drive) and is serviced by most major airlines (<http://www.syrairport.org/>). You may also want to check Jet Blue (www.jetblue.com), which offers direct flights to Syracuse from a number of airports around the country.

DREAM > BELIEVE > PURSUE

All delegates will want to stay at the Sheraton University Hotel, as it is right next door to the Whitman School, where the Conference will be held.

Accommodations:

A block of rooms have been reserved at the Sheraton University Hotel (<http://www.sheratonsyracuse.com/>) (which is right on campus) at a special discounted rate for this conference. **Reservation requests for this room block are only available until September 7, 2007.** The cost for a room is \$134.00 per night (state and local taxes not included). Note that this is a football weekend, so book early if possible. After the cutoff date, the regular rate will be in effect and may apply. To make lodging reservations, please call 1.315.475.3000. Please reference "SU School of Management NCEC 2007 Conference" when making the reservation in order to get the discounted rate. Should you choose to stay at another hotel, you will be responsible for your own transportation to and from the airport.

Driving Directions to the hotel from Syracuse Hancock International Airport:

Take Interstate Route 81 South to exit 18 (Adams/Harrison St. exit). Bear left on the exit ramp, and go under the I-81 bridge. From there, go left at the second traffic light onto East Adams Street. At the fourth light, turn right onto University Avenue and go two blocks; hotel is on the left.

Shuttle Service: The Sheraton Syracuse Hotel shuttle provides transportation to the hotel from the Syracuse airport to its patrons; to schedule a pick-up you may call 315-475-3000 upon landing in Syracuse. The Entrepreneurship Program will also have a shuttle van available as well. Call us at 315 443 6899.

Taxi Service: Taxis are available to and from the airport. Century Transportation provides taxi and van service on an exclusive basis at Syracuse Hancock International Airport. Passengers requiring ground transportation service can register with Century at one of the dispatch areas located near each baggage claim location. These areas are staffed between the hours of 5:00 a.m. and 2:00 a.m. Century also offers a shuttle van service, which is an economical alternative for individuals traveling to the same location. If you have any questions regarding ground transportation provided by Century, please contact their office at 315.455.5151.

Car Rentals: If you decide to rent a car, the following major rental companies are at the Syracuse Hancock International Airport: Alamo/National, Avis, Budget, Dollar, Enterprise, and Hertz. Parking is available at the Syracuse Sheraton Hotel for a nominal fee.

Travel Once You Get to the Sheraton (during the conference): Transportation from the hotel to all conference events will be provided.

Meals:

Lunches and dinners on Friday and Saturday will be provided. Should you have any food allergies or restrictions, please inform us as soon as possible.