

Travel Options to and from Des Moines Airport

(total cost in descending order)	One-Way	Round Trip	Availability	One-Way Trip Diff. from Exec. Express	Round Trip Diff. from Exec. Express
ISU Transportation Services (compact sedan)		\$25.20	rate is for 1 day, limited hours, not usually a viable Ames to airport option		
Executive Express Shuttle (starting costs +fees depending on where pick-up is located)	\$30.00	\$52.00	limited hours with or without reservation	\$0.00	\$0.00
Mileage Reimbursement from Driving One's Car (does not include cost of airport parking)	\$23.31	\$46.62	24 hours	-\$6.69	-\$5.38
Rental Car Cost + Re-fueling from Enterprise. (This includes all insurance, at no liability to the driver or the lab). Costs a few \$ more to rent from DSM airport than from Ames due to Airport-incurred fees on Enterprise.	\$40.32	\$83.64	24 hours with reservation, limited hours without reservation	\$10.32	\$31.64
Crown Limo (shown at minimum costs) may be \$80 for early morning, \$5 more for drop-off in Des Moines than in Ames	\$70.00	\$145.00	24 hours (extra \$5 for early morning)	\$40.00	\$93.00
Taxi Service	\$75.00	\$150.00	24 hours	\$45.00	\$98.00

**Enterprise Rental Car may be more cost effective than driving your own car, depending if there are parking fees.*

**Executive Express is shown as most cost effective because Driving One's Car does not include airport parking fees.*

**ISU Transportation Services are for one-day trips. "It is generally neither economical nor good use of a University vehicle to leave it in an airport parking lot. All faculty and staff are encouraged to use private or public transportation," ISU Transportation Services Website.*

**All numbers are meant to be estimates, totals will vary from location and duration of stay, hours traveled.*

**All numbers were calculated expenses for 1 traveler, shared rides would make most modes of transportation more economical.*