DIRECTIONS TO THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO FROM DENVER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

A map from Denver International Airport (DIA) is enclosed for your information, as well as a campus map. Directions from the Airport are described below. The Super Shuttle van service is available from DIA. The Super Shuttle Ticket Counter is located on Baggage Level 5, across from the Hertz Counter; you need to check in there and make a reservation. The shuttle leaves DIA at ten past the hour from 6 a.m. to Midnight. This shuttle will drop you directly at the Millennium Hotel, the Boulder Outlook Hotel, the Best Western Boulder Inn or the Boulder Marriott. The cost is $20/one way trip to Boulder hotels; $26/door-to-door service. 12:10 a.m. is the last departure time from DIA.

If you rent a car and drive from DIA, follow these directions to Boulder: *
Follow Pena Boulevard (the exit drive from DIA) until it merges with I-70. Follow I-70 to the exit for I-270. Follow I-270 to Highway 36 to Boulder (The two highways merge together just past I-25). Follow Highway 36 into Boulder. Highway 36 turns into 28th Street as you enter Boulder and the CU campus is on your left.** If you stay at the Outlook Hotel or the Best Western Boulder Inn, you will pass these hotels on the right side of 28th as you enter Boulder. Turn right at the first traffic light, Colorado Avenue, and immediately right again and follow the access road back to the either hotel. For the Millennium Hotel: pass the first light at Colorado Avenue, and be in the left lane. You will see the Millennium Hotel on your left before you reach the next light. For the Marriott, turn left at the next light, Arapahoe. Turn right at the first light into the Village Shopping Center. You will see the Marriott ahead on your right.

If you drive to campus, turn west on Colorado from 28th Street; turn left at the first light, Regent Drive. Turn left into the first or second driveway and park in the Regent Autopark Parking Structure on the corner of Colorado and Regent or in either parking lot marked Lot #436. A parking permit is necessary for the structure or Lot 436 from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., except on Saturday or Sunday. Please use it to avoid receiving a ticket. Please park inside the structure if possible. If the structure is full, the permit will allow you to park anywhere in Lot 436. This permit is not valid where there are meters. Write the date in ink on the permit and hang it from your rear-view mirror facing the windshield. Exit the structure using the northwest staircase, and cross the street in the crosswalk. The Discovery Learning Center (DLC) entrance is in the courtyard directly west of the parking structure, on the right hand (north) side. You can turn into the first driveway on Regent Drive and park in Lot 436 directly across from the DLC.

It is a short walk to the CU campus from either the Boulder Outlook Hotel or the Best Western Boulder Inn. There are two underpasses which take you under 28th Street and link with the CU campus. It is approximately a ten-minute walk to the campus from the Millennium Hotel. From the Marriott, it would take approximately twenty minutes to walk to campus.

*An Alternate Route to Boulder: If you are traveling to or from DIA at a “rush hour” or time for your flight is urgent, below is an alternate route to Boulder that avoids I-70 and I-270 which can be very slow at those times. This route is a tollway which includes E-470 and the Northwest Parkway.

This route will take you from the DIA exit drive (Pena Boulevard) to Highway 36 about 7 miles outside Boulder. This has now gone to a cash-less system, via transponders and a license plate program, which bills tolls for license plates from all 50 states (https://www.expresstoll.com/Default.aspx?pn=Home). Many rental companies are set up for auto-pay for tolls, for more information please see https://www.expresstoll.com/Default.aspx?pn=Rental%20Car%20Information.

To travel this route to Boulder, follow the northbound E-470 signs as you are leaving DIA on Pena Boulevard (you will turn right onto E-470 from Pena). E-470 will merge into westbound Northwest Parkway and the Northwest Parkway ends at 96th Street in Broomfield and merges onto StorageTek Drive. Continue on StorageTek Drive to Highway 36 and follow the signs to Boulder via 36 (You will turn right onto Highway 36.) A map of the tollway route is attached.

To travel E-470 tollway back to Denver International Airport, take Highway 36 out of Boulder and exit at StorageTek Drive. Turn left at the top of the exit ramp and follow the signs for Eastbound Northwest Parkway. The NW Parkway merges directly into Southbound E-470. Follow E-470 to the Pena Boulevard exit and Denver International Airport. The signs are pretty clear all along the route.

** When returning to DIA via I-270 and I-70, simply reverse the directions on. Follow Highway 36 from Boulder and near I-25, you will see a sign for I-270 East. Highway 36 simply merges into I-270 East just past I-25. I-270 merges onto I-70 after several miles and the exit for Pena Boulevard is clearly marked and Pena takes you directly to DIA.