

# Travel Information

## Visa requirements

**PLEASE CHECK IF YOU HAVE VISA REQUIREMENTS FOR TRAVELING TO THE UNITED STATES.**

It is advised to start this process early as it may take significant time for some. Information can be found at the [U.S. Department of State](#) website. For specific questions or visa-related requests, contact us at pkc2015 [ at ] iacr.org.

## Airports and getting into town

Washington, DC is serviced by two main airports, [Washington Dulles International Airport](#) and [Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport](#) (not and international airport). Both airports are approximately 30 miles (48 km) from Gaithersburg. [Baltimore/Washington International Airport](#) is a third option and is approximately 15 miles (24 km) further than the two Washington D.C. area airports. Depending on traffic, travel time between the D.C. area airports and Gaithersburg is approximately 45 minutes.

There are a variety of taxi, limo and car rental services available from all airports. Please see the “*Ground Transportation*” section of the airport you plan to travel to and from.

### [Directions to NIST](#)

The [Washington DC Metrorail](#) system services [Reagan National Airport](#) and travels to Gaithersburg. Board the Yellow Line Rail towards Fort Totten. Exit at Gallery Place Chinatown. Transfer to the Red Line Rail towards Shady Grove. Depending on the time of travel, fare for this trip ranges from \$3.50 – \$6.75. Travel time is approximately 1 hour.

Taxis are available at the Shady Grove Metro to take you to your destination. If you are arriving Monday-Friday during regular business hours, and traveling directly to NIST, there is a [NIST Metro Shuttle](#).