Transportation between San Francisco and San Jose Airports and Stanford University.

The local hub for bus and train services at Stanford is the Palo Alto Caltrain Station located near the main entrance to the campus near the intersections of Palm Drive, University Avenue and El Camino Real. (The free university shuttle, Stanford Marguerite, does not operate during summer and other academic breaks.)

Public transportation from any of the local airports will involve a transfer between bus, Caltrain, and/or BART (subway); and the cost is approximately $10 total:

https://transportation.stanford.edu/maps-resources-access/sustainable-transportation/transportation-airports

More information here:

https://www.bart.gov/
http://www.caltrain.com/stations/systemmap.html
https://transportation.stanford.edu/transit

Private transportation will cost $35-90, depending on whether you share a ride, travel during rush hour, etc. We recommend using Lyft, but other services are available:

https://www.lyft.com/
https://www.uber.com/

And this is a handy trip-planner for other options or more details:

https://www.google.com/transit

A selection of accommodation close to Stanford University

Please check with the hotel on cancellation/change policy. Prices below do not include taxes and fees. We have block reservations at only the first two hotels; you will need to ask for the IACP rate at these hotels:

Sheraton Palo Alto Hotel
https://www.starwoodmeeting.com/events/start.action?id=1703086620&key=36A9A340
1 King Bed or 2 Double Bed US$349
This is a negotiated rate for a group-block of only 20 rooms.

Stanford Motor Inn
1 King Bed US$185
2 Double Beds US$199
2 Queen Beds US$225
3 Bed Suites US$275-325 are also available
These are negotiated rates for a group-block of about 25 rooms.

Several other hotels are available but also expensive, since Palo Alto is a popular conference town during weekdays (sorry!). We recommend Stanford Terrace Inn, Cardinal Hotel, Stanford Park Hotel, Homewood Suites, Residence Inn Menlo Park, Crown Plaza Hotel, and others—please check their sites for pricing. Here is a map of area hotels:

https://goo.gl/maps/8HqpkwZbU1R2

The most affordable option may be to find private lodgings through AirBnB:

https://www.airbnb.com/

Food and Drink

There is a variety of restaurants and bars within walking distance of the University:

https://www.yelp.com/search?find_desc=Restaurants&find_loc=Palo+Alto+%2C+CA&ns=1

Google Maps

Many amenities can be found on google maps:

https://goo.gl/maps/tSSVD7Ezfvq