

NACSW Convention 2013 - Student Frequently Asked Questions

How do I sign up to be a student volunteer? You can register online to be a student volunteer at NACSW's Convention 2013 in Atlanta by going to http://www.nacsw.org/cgibin/eventpro.cgi. Submit your completed application and payment to NACSW online by September 27, 2013.

What should I expect as a student volunteer? As a volunteer you can expect to spend some of your time (up to six hours) at the convention providing assistance to help the conference run smoothly. You will be assigned tasks such as monitoring workshops, helping with set-up and take-down, or assisting with registration, etc.

Please note that you must be available to volunteer for any 4-6 hour block on the first two days you indicate as a preference on your Student Volunteer Registration form. The success of the conference depends on volunteers, so NACSW expects depends on its student volunteers to be responsible in fulfilling their volunteer assignments.

I just signed up as a student volunteer—now what? One or two weeks before the convention you will receive more information via email from NACSW with details about your volunteer assignment.

Where can I stay? The conference is held at the Sheraton Atlanta Hotel. For reservations, call 800-833-8624 and identify yourself as being with the North American Association of Christians in Social Work. Rooms are \$119 per night whether there is one person registered, or whether you choose to share the \$119/night cost between up to three additional persons. You may also choose to stay at other hotels in the local Atlanta area.

What should I bring? Dress at the conference is business casual. You may want to bring comfortable shoes for walking if you plan to take a side trip in Atlanta. You will need to bring spending money for your meals (dinner on Saturday is provided), and you may want to bring snacks and things to do in your downtime. The hotel provides complimentary internet access in the lobby on the 3rd floor. There is internet access in all guest rooms for \$12.95 per day.

Are meals provided? Dinner on Saturday evening is included in the convention registration. All other meals are on your own. There are restaurants in the hotel. In addition, several dining options exist near the hotel where students can purchase meals.

How much money should I bring? How much money you should bring depends on your eating and spending habits. Things such as dining in a hotel can be more expensive, but less expensive options may be available near-by. Depending on the amount of time you will be at the conference, you will need to budget money for breakfast, lunch, and dinner, with the exception of dinner on Saturday evening, which will be provided. Also, remember to budget money for any excursions in Atlanta.

How can I avoid a conflict if I am scheduled to volunteer at the same time I am presenting a workshop or poster session? If you are involved in presenting a workshop or poster session, please note that on your student volunteer application so that you are not scheduled to volunteer during that time.

If I decide not to come, will I receive a refund? If requested, you will receive a full refund, minus a \$25 processing fee, through September 27, 2013. No refunds will be offered after September 27, 2013.

What if I have more questions about being a student volunteer? If you have questions about being a student volunteer please contact the NACSW office at info@nacsw.org or 888-426-4712.