

# NACSW Onsite Convention 2024 – Student Frequently Asked Questions

When?

NACSW Convention 2023 will be held October 10-12<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Where?

NACSW Convention 2023 will be held in Dallas, TX at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Dallas near the Galleria,4099 Valley View Ln, Dallas, TX 75244

## What?

The theme of NACSW Convention 2023 is: "Beyond Borders: Compassion, Competency & Action"

### Zech. 7:9-10

<sup>9</sup> "This is what the Lord Almighty said: 'Administer true justice; show mercy and compassion to one another. <sup>10</sup> Do not oppress the widow or the fatherless, the foreigner or the poor. Do not plot evil against each other.'

### Special Track:

Social Work in Action

### REGISTRATION

**\*\*How do I sign up to be a student volunteer onsite?** You can <u>register online</u> or by downloading the <u>onsite</u> <u>student volunteer registration form</u> and mailing it in with your payment. *Submit your completed online or hard copy application and payment to NACSW online by August 31, 2023.* 

The onsite registration rates for students are:

- \$140 Non-member Rate (includes 6-month NACSW membership at no additional cost)
- \$110 Member Rate (applies to current individual members of NACSW)

These registration rates include attendance to all convention workshop sessions, plenary sessions and banquet, but not preconvention institutes.

## **EXPECTATIONS**

The success of the conference depends on volunteers!!!

What should I expect as a student volunteer? As a volunteer you can expect to spend some of your time (six to ten hours) at the convention helping the conference run smoothly. You will be assigned tasks such as monitoring workshops, helping workshop presenters with technology, or assisting with registration, etc. <u>NACSW depends</u> on its student volunteers to be responsible in fulfilling their volunteer assignments.

**I just signed up as a student volunteer—now what?** About two- three weeks before the convention you will receive an email from NACSW with a link to sign up for your convention volunteer assignment(s).

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS/PLANNING**

**Where can I stay?** The conference is held at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel, Dallas near the Galleria 4099 Valley View Ln, Dallas, TX 75244. Hotel reservations can be completed online (link forthcoming) or call 214-741-7481. Mention that you are affiliated with the North American Association of Christians in Social Work (NACSW) to receive the discounted rate. Room reservations must be made by 12:00 AM local time Friday, September 10, 2024 to guarantee the convention room rate of \$149 per night, plus applicable state and local tax. Rooms are subject to availability. You may choose to share the \$149/night cost if you know of other convention participants who are interested in rooming with you. This \$149 room per night rate applies to rooms whether they are occupied by 1,2,3 or up to 4 guests.

**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 into the city. The hotel is just 15 minutes from Dallas Fort Worth International Airport. The hotel provides complimentary internet access in the guest rooms and lobby area.

**Are meals provided?** Dinner on Saturday evening is included in the full convention registration, as is a light reception on Thursday evening and a breakfast break on Friday and Saturday morning. All other meals are your responsibility. There are restaurants in the hotel, Asado Urban Grill offers a homestyle breakfast buffet with a seasonally changing menu. Champions Club sports bar features bar favorites, salads, and steaks. Grab Starbucks and snacks at Bistro & Marketplace.

**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 will be available nearby. Also, remember to budget money for any excursions in Dallas.

#### **MORE INFO**

**If I decide not to come, will I receive a refund?** *If requested, you will receive a full refund, minus a \$30 processing fee, through Sept 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024. No refunds can be offered after October 20<sup>th</sup>2023.* 

**What if I have more questions about being a student volunteer?** *If you have additional questions about being a student volunteer, please contact the NACSW office at <u>convention@nacsw.org</u> or 888-426-4712.* 

If you are not able to travel to the Dallas area for this year's convention, we will also be offering a virtual convention option for students during these same dates. Visit <u>https://www.nacsw.org/annual-</u><u>convention/</u> for more information.