

NACSW Convention 2014 – 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 2014 in Annapolis by going to <http://www.nacsw.org/cqibin/eventpro.cgi>. Submit your completed application and payment to NACSW online by October 17, 2014. The registration rates for students are:*

\$105 Non-member Rate (includes 6-month NACSW membership at no additional cost)

\$90 Member Rate (applies to current individual members of NACSW only)

These registration rates includes attendance to all convention workshop sessions, plenary sessions and banquet, but not pre-convention institutes.

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 up to 6 hours on the days you indicate as your first and second 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? *Two weeks before the convention you will receive an email from NACSW with details about how to request a specific day/time for your volunteer assignment.*

Where can I stay? *The conference is held at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Annapolis (210 Holiday Court • Annapolis, MD 21401). For reservations, call 410-224-3150 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 Annapolis 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 Annapolis. 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 guest rooms.*

Are meals provided? *Dinner on Saturday evening is included in the convention registration. All other meals are on your own. There is a restaurant in the hotel, as well as a café to pick up coffee or food items on the go. In addition, there are restaurants within walking distance of 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 will 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 Annapolis.*

How can I avoid a conflict if I am scheduled to volunteer at the same time I am presenting a workshop or poster session? *NACSW will be sending you an email two weeks before the convention with a link to a volunteer scheduler website so that you can request the day/time you would like to volunteer. In addition, 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 October 17, 2014. No refunds can be offered after October 17, 2014.*

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.*