



NACSW Onsite Convention 2025 – Student Frequently Asked Questions

WHEN?

NACSW Convention 2025 will be held November 13 – 16, 2025

WHERE?

NACSW Convention 2025 will be held in Norfolk, VA at the Sheraton Norfolk Waterside Hotel, 777 Waterside Drive, Norfolk, Virginia, USA, 23510

WHAT?

THE THEME OF NACSW CONVENTION 2025 IS: "COMING HOME"

REGISTRATION

**How do I sign up to be a student volunteer onsite? You can register online or by downloading the onsite student volunteer registration form and mailing it in with your payment. Submit your completed online or hard copy application and payment to NACSW online by September 25, 2025

The onsite registration rates for students are:

- □ \$120 Member Rate (applies to current individual members of NACSW)
- □ \$150 Non-Member Rate

These registration rates include attendance to all convention workshop sessions, plenary sessions, and the 75th Anniversary Celebration event, but not preconvention institutes.

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. NACSW depends 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 Sheraton Norfolk Waterside Hotel, 777 Waterside Drive, Norfolk, Virginia, Usa, 23510. Hotel reservations can be completed online through the registration site or call 757-622-6664. 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 Thursday, September 25, 2025, to guarantee the convention room rate of \$154 per night, plus applicable state and local tax. Rooms are subject to availability. You may choose to share the \$154/night cost if you know of other convention participants who are interested in rooming with you. This \$154 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 closest airport to the Sheraton Norfolk Waterside Hotel is Norfolk International Airport (ORF), which is located approximately 7.0 Miles from the hotel. There is not a hotel airport shuttle available. However, Uber or Lyft are available. 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, Waterside Seafood Company offers a seasonally changing menu.

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 Norfolk.

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 September 25th, 2025. No refunds can be offered after September 25, 2025.

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 convention@nacsw.org or 888-426-4712.

option for students during these same dates. Visit https://www.nacsw.org/annualconvention/ for more information.

If you are not able to travel to the Norfolk area for this year's convention, we will also be offering a virtual convention