

2021 CASWE Conference

We are excited to share that we are going to support 4 students to attend this year's Virtual Canadian Association of Social Work Education Conference (CASWE) for free. Typically students would travel to the conference and represent the school as a delegate, attending the conference, the Annual Student Caucus and the CASWE AGM. Due to COVID this year they are doing things a bit different and so we are too. Obviously everything is happening remotely and at this point there is no information from CASWE about the student Caucus or the AGM so what we are looking for is that one of the four students we support to attend the virtual conference will be willing to represent the School at the AGM when it happens.

Are you interested in attending the virtual conference? If you are here are a few things you need to know. Priority will be given to MSW or BSW students who has been involved in school activities and/or student representation and/or actively involved in their own communities. The Conference is free to all students who have a membership. The school will pay* for the CASWE memberships & Congress fees for 4 students so they can attend the Conference for free. This is an excellent opportunity for students to expand their learning and virtually meet other social work students from across Canada.

CASWE is a voluntary, national charitable association of university faculties, schools and departments offering professional education in social work at the undergraduate, graduate, and post-graduate levels. The CASWE Student Caucus focuses on establishing effective and consistent communication with social work students nation-wide.

The CASWE Conference 2021 is being hosted by the University of Alberta. The dates of the Virtual Conference are **June 1 to 3, 2021** and is being held in conjunction with Congress 2021 of the Humanities and Social Sciences. The Theme of the CASWE Conference is this year is: **Decolonial Dreaming in Social Work Education, Theory, Research and Practice: Reimagining for Today and the Seven Generations to Come.**

- For more information on the Conference see https://conference.caswe-acfts.ca/
- For more information on the CASWE Student Committee see http://caswe-acfts.ca/student-committee/

Application Requirement Criteria:

- 1. Students must be currently enrolled in the MSW or BSW program at the University of Victoria and continuing with their studies in 2021/22;
- 2. Be actively involved in school activities/student representation and/or in their own communities; and
- 3. Must be able to attend the conference sessions virtual sessions and be open to attending the student caucus meeting and the AGM if and when it happens.

Application Process:

Applicants must provide a brief statement outlining:

- their involvement school activities and/or student representation and/or how their own community work/involvement informs their studies;
- how they connect to this year's theme of the conference; and
- how they will bring information from the conference back to their peers and the school

Please include your name, V# and contact information.

A selection committee will review applications and make a recommendation to the School's Director. Students will be notified by March 19th so you can get early-bird rates. *Please note that once students are notified that they have been selected to attend, they will be advised to register before March 31st (early-bird deadline) and they will need to provide receipt of registration & payment so the school can reimburse them.

Please e-mail your application no later than March 12, 2021 to:

Assistant to the Director; Donna Barker

Subject Line: 2021 CASWE CONFERENCE STUDENT APPLICATION

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