Get Involved: NACADA Participation and Involvement!

The success of any conference lies with the participation and involvement of its members. NACADA's Annual conference is no different; taking place over 4 days, with over 400 sessions and upwards of 4000 attendees, there are numerous opportunities for its members to participate. Listed below are some different ways you can get involved in this year's conference.

Submit a proposal

It's not too late! Most people think their proposals should be "conference ready", but in fact most proposals will go through a revision before the conference arrives. You only need to submit an abstract detailing your topic and there are multiple formats available to showcase and share your ideas with the advising community. Proposal guidelines can be found here:

http://www.nacada.ksu.edu/Events-Programs/Events/Annual-Conference/Call-for-Proposals.aspx

Proposal readers

This is a great opportunity to help shape the conference by reading proposals and deciding what sessions will be presented at the conference. Readers will review proposal abstracts and provide feedback to the conference session selection committee. If you are interested in reviewing proposals here is contact information for the respective chairs:

Concurrent Session Chair
Aaron Brown
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Poster Session Chair
Oak Vichaikul
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Conference Volunteer

This is best time to help out since you're already at the conference! From stuffing conference packets to sorting evaluations, there is no shortage of things for volunteers to do. If you are planning on attending this year's annual conference in Las Vegas, consider volunteering your time. Since NACADA is a non-profit organization, one of the ways costs are kept down is through the use of volunteers. These savings are put back into other areas to benefit the entire conference experience for members.

Volunteering at the conference allows you to interact with a diverse group of advisors and can give much needed experience for those who may be hosting a conference in the future.

For more information on volunteering at the conference contact:

Volunteer Chair
Gordon Louie
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Social Media

Like, post, snap, pin, tweet your way through the conference! Not everyone can attend the conference and this year we are making a concerted effort in the social media space. Even if you're not physically there, you can still interact with conference attendees using social media. Start by following our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/NACADA15 or use the hashtag #NACADA15 to start experiencing the conference from a social media perspective.

Groups

Dinner groups, running groups, tour groups, tweet ups, etc. are a great way to meet new people. Many of the best conversations happen when you're not in "conference mode". Keep an eye out for a future newsletter from our hospitality chair who will have more info.

This is just the tip of the iceberg for ways to be involved in this year's annual conference. If you're not able to participate in any of the aforementioned areas, there are ample opportunities for everyone! The chairs of the respective committees are always looking for help. Here's a list of the conference chairs and their contact information:

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