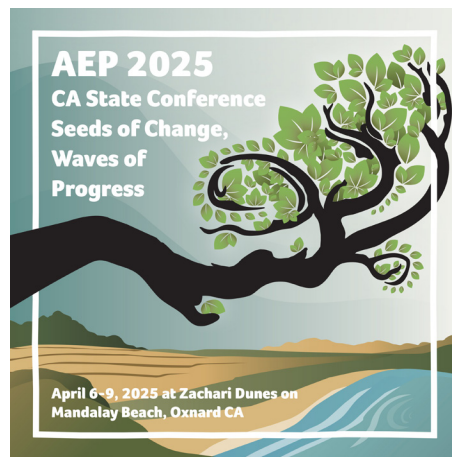




Conference Volunteering FAQ



2025 AEP State Conference Volunteering FAQ Seeds of Change, Waves of Progress

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Do student volunteers need to register for the conference?

- » No, if you are selected to be a student volunteer for the conference, you will be registered as a volunteer and your registration fee will be waived.

Can I attend the conference without volunteering?

- » Of course! If you wish to attend the conference as an attendee rather than as a volunteer, you can register via the California AEP website. You do not need to be a member of AEP to attend, however, student members will receive a discounted registration fee.

Will lodging and travel be provided?

- » No. If you sign up to be a student volunteer, you are responsible for coordinating your own transportation to and from the conference and lodging during the conference. We encourage students to coordinate with their local student chapter of AEP and/or local Chapter to see if there are opportunities to collaborate with other students attending the conference and/or receive funding assistance for travel and lodging expenses.

What kind of sessions will be offered at the conference?

- » The conference will include over 40 different informative, engaging sessions for conference attendees including several special sessions oriented specifically for emerging professionals! Other sessions will explore relevant topics such as emerging trends in environmental law and policy, carbon sequestration, wildfire prevention and planning, habitat restoration, climate action planning, artificial intelligence, and more!

If I sign up as a volunteer, will I still be able to attend conference sessions?

- » AEP organizers will make every effort to make sure that student volunteers can attend sessions oriented towards emerging professionals, and student volunteers will have opportunities to attend other sessions throughout the duration of the conference as well.

What will student volunteer responsibilities generally include?

- » In general, student volunteers will assist conference organizers with preparing conference bags for attendees, assisting with attendee registration, assisting with mobile workshops, checking attendee badges at event entrances, assisting speakers and/or attendees by providing directions as needed, etc.

I've never been to a conference like this before. Where can I learn more about what to expect?

- » You can learn more about the conference schedule of events, sessions, sponsors, and other information on the [California AEP website](#). More information will be provided as we get closer to the conference dates. If you have any urgent and/or specific questions not answered above, please feel free to reach out to the Conference Student Volunteer Coordinator Cassidy Bewley at cassidy.bewley@swca.com.