SOCIAL WORK STUDENT POSTER ABSTRACTS
NASW MS CHAPTER ANNUAL CONFERENCE
March 21-22, 2024

INSTRUCTIONS

A. Submission Requirements

1. Abstracts due **March 1, 2024.** Submit Abstract form electronically to: 
   president.naswms@socialworkers.org and 
   gbouiehaynes.naswms@socialworkers.org. Handwritten submissions will not be 
   considered.

2. The abstract form is designed as a WORD document to permit ease of 
   completion via download. A copy will be available on the NASW MS website: 
   www.naswmschapter.org

3. Abstracts shall be categorized as either:
   a) **Empirical Research** – a qualitative and/or quantitative research study using a 
      methodological design to describe/or explore a research topic. Research 
      questions are answered and/or hypotheses are tested. Results are 
      presented along with limitations of the study; includes application of findings 
      related to policy and/or social work practice; **OR**
   b) **Integrative Literature Review** – a review of professional literature on a given 
      social work policy/program or social work practice topic. Reliability and 
      validity issues are addressed with recommendations on how to improve 
      upon existing work to further theory development in lieu of post-testing or 
      completion of research.

4. Each Abstract submission is limited to **three (3) social work students currently 
   enrolled in a CSWE accredited social work program involved in the 
   research/study, preparation of the poster, and presentation of the poster.**

5. The social work program’s faculty member advising/supervising the students’ 
   research/study shall verify oversight of the study and presenters’ eligibility as 
   current social work students to participate by signature on the Abstract form.
B. **Abstract Selection & Notification Process**

1. All abstracts will be reviewed by NASW-MS President Dr. Angela Savage and poster coordinator. Any questions will be directed electronically by the Chapter Office to all students listed on each submission.

2. Selection is limited to a total of **20** abstracts for poster displays.

3. The President of the National Association of MS Chapter and poster coordinator will notify all students via email of the decisions with copy to the faculty member and NASW MS chapter office by March 4, 2024. Display and judging information will be included.

C. **Conference Registration for Accepted Student Poster Presenters**

1. Each accepted student presenter verified as a NASW Member will have his/her conference registration fee waived if completed registration form is done by February 29, 2024.

2. Non-member NASW Accepted Student Presenters shall register at the rate of $50.00 by February 29, 2024. These registrations with payment must be completed and received in the Chapter Office by March 4, 2024.

3. All accepted student poster presenters, NASW members and non-members, must **submit completed registrations by March 4, 2024** to be permitted to participate in the poster presentation, judging process, during the conference.

D. **Conference Expectations of Pre-Registered Accepted Poster Presenters**

1. Prior to the conference, students will set up poster presentation at the Hilton Hotel Jackson by March 20, 2024, 5:00 pm.

2. **Attend March 22 Closing Session for recognition as accepted poster presenter.**

3. At least one (1) poster presenter will be available at their display during the judging.

4. All presenters will be available at their displays during the judging on Thursday afternoon.

5. The judging will involve judges’ review (as a group) of each display and a timed allowance of **three (3) minutes for presentation by student(s) and 2 minutes for judges’ questions.** A copy of the rubric used for judging will be included in abstract acceptance notice.

6. **Attend March 21-22, 2024 Student Track Session** for award of poster winners.

7. Winners will receive the following:
   a. Undergraduate poster based on Empirical Research - $100.00
   b. Undergraduate poster based on Literature Review - $50.00
   c. Graduate poster based on Empirical Research - $150.00
   d. Graduate poster based on Literature Research - $75.00

If any questions about the abstract submission, poster display, or virtual conference on-site expectations, please contact Dr. Angela Savage, at the Chapter Office. Email:
president.naswms@socialworkers.org or gbouiehaynes.naswms@socialworkers.org at 601.936.0557, Mon-Thurs, 9am-1:30pm.

No exceptions will be granted to the abstract instructions, poster display, registration, and conference requirements.

We look forward to your poster abstracts and your participation in the 2024 NASW MS Chapter Annual Conference.