Meet Your Presenters

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Help Make NLC a Huge Success

This is your conference!
Did You Know…

• The National Center staff is made up of only nine people.
• We would not accomplish a fraction of our good work without volunteers.
• The majority of nonprofit organizations rely heavily on volunteers.
• Volunteerism is about serving in an area of need.
• Volunteer opportunities = leadership opportunities.
Why Get Involved?

• Volunteers drive the success behind BPA
• The Volunteer & Intern Program is a vital part of NLC
• Involves over 400 student volunteers from across the country
• Because you want to:
  • See what happens behind the scenes
  • Meet new people
  • Participate in the ultimate leadership experience
• Because you are important to the success of NLC!
About the Program

• Rolled out new program structure in 2019
  • Created more volunteer opportunities
  • Streamlined initiatives
  • Enhanced roles and responsibilities
  • Offered valuable/meaningful experiences for all volunteers

• Larger number of volunteer opportunities
  • Over 400 student volunteers in 2019

• Introduced new internship experiences
  • 18 internships offered
  • Online application process
  • Experiential learning opportunity
Program Objectives

• Offer valuable/meaningful experiences for all volunteers
• Introduce opportunities to explore your interests while developing valuable skills
• Provide orientation, support and training for volunteers
• Assign leads or primary points of contact to ensure oversight and supervision
• Assign BPA alumni mentors
• Reward and recognize volunteers
Get Involved: Volunteer

Why Volunteer?

- Make a difference
- Develop Skills
- Gain real-world experience
- Receive mentorship
- Apply knowledge learned in coursework
- Make new friends
- Help make NLC a success!
NLC Volunteer Opportunities

- AICPA Bank On It Tournament
- BPA University
- Digital Learning Lab
- Competitive Events
- BPA Day of Service | Special Event
- Exhibitor Showcase
- General Sessions

- Judges
- National Showcase
- NLC Merchandise Booth
- Registration
- NLC Runner/Page
- Volunteer Desk
- Walk for Special Olympics
- Host Committee Liaison
Get Involved: Intern

Why Intern?

• Gain valuable skills and experience
• Showcase your talent
• Build your network
• Receive mentorship
• Gain real-world experience
• Earn a great résumé or college application booster
• Help make NLC a success!
Get Involved: Intern

Internship Structure

• Provide hands-on learning and mentorship
• Give a behind-the-scenes look at what’s involved with key areas of the conference
• Have the opportunity to develop and enhance skills
• Mentor matching with BPA Alumni
• Work directly with National Center staff
• Make your own experience (get out what you put in)
• High level of expectation and responsibility
NLC Internship Opportunities

Limited Number of Opportunities

• Conference Management Interns
• Event Management Interns*
• Finance Interns
• Marketing Communications Interns
• Merchandise Management Interns
• Videographers
• Photographers
• Cybis Production Interns
What Should I Wear?

• Wear Your Credentials at All Times
  • Volunteer or Intern badge
  • Conference name badge

• New Dress Code – Dress Appropriate
  • Business Casual for 90% of all opportunities
  • Casual Clothing for certain opportunities (Day of Service, Walk for Special Olympics, Special Event)
  • Business Professional for limited opportunities

• Follow the NLC Dress Code
Onsite Orientation at NLC

All volunteers and interns are required to attend one orientation session

• Review roles and responsibilities
• Go over information such as:
  • Conference Facilities and floor plans
  • Credentials
  • Dress Code
  • Goals & Expectations
  • Alumni introductions and matching
  • Q&A
After Orientation – Your First Assignment

• Check in at the Volunteer Desk
• After check-in, head to your assignment
• Locate the Alumni & Host Committee Representatives
  • Introduce yourself
  • Ask how you can help
  • Jump right in
• Enjoy your experience!
How to Register or Apply

Volunteer Opportunities
• Advisors can register students for the NLC Volunteer Program through the Conference Registration System

Internship Opportunities
• Local advisor approval/sign-off is required for all NLC Internships
• Complete an online application available at: bpa.org/nlc under the Volunteers & Interns tab
• Students that apply but are not selected will be assigned to a volunteer program initiative
Website Review

https://bpa.org/nlc/volunteer-internship-programs/
THANK YOU!