



BC ASSOCIATION of  
SOCIAL WORKERS

## THE VOICE OF SOCIAL WORK IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

So many reasons for **students** to join BCASW!  
Here are just a few!

Support your profession and gain support as a professional through BCASW.	Join with thousands of social workers across British Columbia to form one collective voice.	One BCASW membership affiliates you to three Social Work organizations, provincial, national and international (CASW and IFSW).	Access 'Members Only' information and resources on BCASW's website <a href="http://www.bcasw.org">www.bcasw.org</a> and the CASW website <a href="http://www.casw-acts.ca">www.casw-acts.ca</a> .	Obtain a student membership at a substantially reduced fee along with discounted membership fees for two years following your graduation.
Receive a free subscription to BCASW's respected newsmagazine, <i>Perspectives</i> , featuring articles on topical issues.	Benefit from advocacy with government and stakeholders on behalf of the interests and concerns of the profession.	Save money with discounts on car rentals, travel, new car purchases, skiing, fitness and entertainment offered through our affinity programs.	Participate in local BCASW Branch activities across the province.	Receive regular e-bulletins from the Provincial Office and your local Branch updating you on timely information relevant to the profession.
Develop your leadership skills and utilize leadership opportunities at the local, provincial and national levels.	Affirm your commitment to the Social Work profession's Code of Ethics.	Demonstrate your affiliation with the broader professional community by including your BCASW membership on your résumé.	Use the <i>Job Search Handbook</i> developed by BCASW for new or recent graduates to assist you in your job search.	Obtain guidance and direction when you contact the BCASW provincial office for a consultation.
Take advantage of discounts for continuing education workshops and conferences offered by BCASW and its partners.	Qualify for the BCASW Student Prize awarded annually to a BCASW student member in each School of Social Work in BC.	Obtain promotional materials (posters, brochures etc.) that proudly highlight Social Work's valued role. Celebrate National Social Work Week activities.	Participate in legislative advocacy related to issues that impact on client groups and professional practice.	Receive mentoring services for transitioning from school to practice, ethical dilemmas, practice issues and other concerns.
Save on group rates for home insurance and travel insurance. Access extended health and dental insurance plans for BCASW members.	Join BCASW's virtual networking discussion groups related to your planned field of practice or join the student discussion group.	Participate in BCASW 'Members Only' educational teleseminars which connect you to professional development from the comfort of your home.	Access the online scholarly journal, <i>Canadian Social Work</i> , in the Members Area of the CASW website.	Benefit from BCASW's efforts to define Social Work and the work we do to the public, the media, and to government.
Showcase your research in a poster presentation at the BCASW annual conference.	Receive up to date information about legislative and political issues that affect your practice.	Proudly display your frame-ready BCASW Membership Certificate	Help shape the future direction of the profession.	Invest in your profession. Make Social Work a career – not simply a job!

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