

Consultation *on* CONSCIENCE



College Student Experience *Frequently Asked Questions*

WHAT IS THE CONSULTATION ON CONSCIENCE?

Consultation on Conscience is the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism's biennial social justice leadership conference. Held over three days in Washington D.C., the Consultation on Conscience is dedicated to training and empowering Jewish leaders like you to make real, lasting change at the national, state, provincial, and local levels. At the Consultation, you will build meaningful connections with other students committed to justice, learn and expand the skills you need to advocate for social change, deepen your knowledge on the critical issues facing our community, and lobby Congress together as a powerful collective force for change.

WHAT DO WE DO ALL DAY AT CONSULTATION?

Every day is different, and every day is a chance to build your social justice skillset. While the 2019 schedule is still in development, you can [check out the 2017 schedule](#) to get an idea of what the Consultation is like and how you might want to build your experience. You choose which workshops you go to and how you want to spend your time.

WHAT OPPORTUNITIES ARE THERE FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS?

There will be hundreds of leaders from across the Reform Jewish community in attendance, and we expect that will include around 50 high school and college students.

Participants - College students can attend at a discounted rate of \$99 and join their congregation's delegation (home or college-area). Financial assistance will be available to help with travel and hotel costs.

Ambassadors - College-aged students also have the opportunity to apply to work as ambassadors for the Consultation. Ambassadors will receive a \$250 stipend

for their work and will have all of their on-site costs covered. The role of the ambassadors is to help the RAC staff to ensure that the event runs smoothly and to supervise the high school participants at night. Ambassadors will also have time to participate in the conference when they are not at an assigned post. Applications are due December 16! Space is limited. [Learn more and apply here!](#)

WHERE DO WE STAY?

Consultation will be held at the [Grand Hyatt Washington](#) at 1000 H Street NW, Washington, DC 20001. College students can opt into the Consultation's [adult room block](#) or stay with friends in DC.

College Ambassadors' hotel stay will be covered by the RAC, and, supported by RAC staff, will be responsible for supervision of high school participants at night. The Ambassadors will provide supervision only for students staying in the hotel block.

HOW DO WE GET THERE?

You should plan to arrange and pay for your own transportation to the Consultation on Conscience. The Grand Hyatt Washington is connected to the Metro Center train station through the lobby, which makes it easy to use the Red, Silver, Blue and Orange Metro lines. The Consultation on Conscience hotel can be accessed via the Blue Metro line from Ronald Reagan National Airport (DCA) and via the Red Metro line from Union Station. SuperShuttle airport shuttle service offers transportation from BWI and IAD airports, or participants can use a rideshare service (Uber, Lyft, etc.) easily in DC.



WHAT'S THE FOOD LIKE?

As a participant at Consultation, you will have some of your meals provided by the hotel, which will be standard hotel buffet food. Food is always kosher style, there will always be a vegetarian option, and we can accommodate most food needs (vegan, kosher, gluten free, dairy free) and allergies.

Some meals will be on your own. You can do your own thing, or we'll have sign-up sheets and you can choose to eat with a group of students at one of a few group restaurant reservations. There are lots of options within walking distance of the hotel.

WHEN DO I HAVE TO REGISTER BY?

Register before December 31, 2018 to save cost on transportation! The last date you can register is May 1, 2019, or until registration is full.

I HAVE A QUESTION THAT'S NOT AS FREQUENT.

We like those, too. [Email Lizzie Stein, the RAC's Leadership Development Associate for Youth, with other questions.](#)

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

	DEADLINES	PROGRAM COST	HOTEL COST
College Student Participant			
Registration	November 1 – May 19	\$99	\$300

There are lots of ways for you to get financial assistance. [Check out our blog post on how to pay for Consultation.](#)