GENERAL VOLUNTEER
SCWIST Volunteer Opportunity

SCWIST (The Society for Canadian Women in Science and Technology) is a not-for-profit society that specializes in improving the presence and influence of women and girls in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) in Canada. Our members and community are most numerous in BC, and we have affiliates in Alberta, Manitoba, Quebec, and our online programs are across Canada. SCWIST promotes participation and advancement through education, networking, mentorship, collaborative partnerships and advocacy.

SCWIST Volunteers develop skills, gain valuable experience and expand their network. Come join us to contribute to program delivery and advocacy work to further SCWIST’s vision of an environment where girls and women in Canada pursue their interest, education and careers in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM), without barriers.

Do you want to join the SCWIST team of volunteers and have a specific interest that is not listed in the list of Current Volunteer Opportunities (https://scwist.ca/get-involved/volunteer/)? Not all possibilities are listed so feel free to submit a General Application and describe in detail what your interests are!

Opportunity

SCWIST is seeking a resourceful and proactive volunteer, "General Volunteer", to join our organization to support as a contingent volunteer or in a role that has not yet been formed. The role reports to the Director of Leadership, or another board member depending on the role. The minimum term for this role depends on the responsibilities proposed or assigned but we encourage volunteers to have long-term involvement.

The General Volunteer will be invited to contribute and support SCWIST programs that existing volunteers may be unavailable for or that require extra help. Examples may include Ad-hoc Event Assistance, Speaking Opportunities, e-Mentorship, or other. If you want to help in another area, tell us!

Skills and Qualifications

The successful candidate will possess many of the following skills or willingness to learn. When in doubt, apply!

- Studying or graduate of a post-secondary program
- Interest in gender equality and science, technology, engineering and mathematics policies and programs
- Organized, responsive, and reliable!
Term and Location

Most of SCWIST’s volunteer opportunities are available for someone anywhere in Canada if the needs can be fulfilled remote/virtually. Many of SCWIST’s events are either virtual or in the Lower Mainland of BC.

How to Apply

Please complete a volunteer application at:
https://scwist.ca/get-involved/volunteer/volunteer-sign-up/.

Include a note indicating you are applying for the “General Volunteer” role and describe in detail what you want to help with (e.g., Ad-hoc Event Assistance, Speaking Opportunities, e-Mentorship, or other).

Applications for the General Volunteer role will be accepted on an ongoing basis. Applicants will be contacted on an as-needed basis or if their specific interests align with an open position.

We encourage volunteers of all backgrounds and diversity to apply including those with lived experience or otherwise don’t have the exact skills and qualifications noted above. We will ensure that individuals with disabilities are provided reasonable accommodation to participate in the volunteer application or interview process, to perform crucial volunteer role functions, and to receive other benefits and privileges of volunteering with SCWIST. Please contact us to request accommodation.

Thank you for your interest in this opportunity to remove barriers for women and girls in STEM!