



## 2019 Conference and Lobby Day Cheat Sheet For Students

### Travel to the Conference

If you're flying, it's best to fly to Reagan National Airport. To get to the conference from Reagan National on the metrorail, take the yellow line towards Greenbelt and transfer to the red line at Gallery Place. Take the red line towards Shady Grove/Grovenor and get off at Woodley Park. You can walk to the Omni Shoreham Hotel from there in 1 minute. Fare is about \$5.

If you're traveling by train, take Amtrak to Union Station. From Union Station, take the Red line to Shady Grove/Grovenor and get off at Woodley Park. Walk to the Omni Shoreham Hotel from there in 1 minute.

If you're traveling by car, use GPS! Keep in mind that traffic around DC is among the worst in the country so allow for plenty of time and patience.

### Lodging and Food

The host hotel is the Omni Shoreham, located at 2500 Calvert Street NW, Washington, D.C., 20008. For conference attendees, the rate is \$279 per night with up to four people per room. You must book by May 4 to receive the CCL rate. If you would like to find a roommate or have a room to share, a [Room Share forum](#) is available on the Community site. Below are some other options for lodging:

- A list of [nearby hotels from Hotels.com](#)
- [HighRoad Hostel](#)
- [Washington International Student Center](#)
- [DC Lofty LLC](#)
- [Hostelling International](#)
- [Airbnb](#)
- [Adam's Inn](#)
- Some DC area CCL volunteers are offering rooms in their home for conference attendees to stay with them. If you are interested in this option, see [DC Homestay](#).
- You will find many dining options on Connecticut Ave right around the corner from the Omni Hotel.

### What to Pack

- Professional outfit for lobbying
- Semi-professional outfits for conference. Bring a sweater as hotel is chilly.
- Comfortable shoes that look nice. You'll be doing a lot of walking.
- Umbrella. Weather in DC is unpredictable.
- A backpack or roomy bag for carrying your stuff around all day.
- Portfolio or folders for carrying your files, one for each lobby meeting.
- Printouts of your lobby meeting materials.
- Notebook
- Business cards
- Reusable water bottle
- Your DC metro card, if you have one

## Getting Ready to Lobby

Familiarize yourself with the [Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act](#). Review the [Study Guide](#) for tips on how to communicate about this bill.

Prior to conference, you will be emailed your lobby appointment schedule, as well as Congressional biographies, districts, and demographics for each meeting. **PRINT OUT** lobby appointments schedule and meeting preparation materials about MOC offices you will be visiting. Learn about your members of Congress.

**Coordinate with teams:** You should be contacted by your lobby team leader about planning your lobby meeting. Most likely you will find a time to meet at the conference.

Familiarize yourself with the suggested outline for an [initial meeting](#) if the MOC is new OR the suggested outline for a [follow-up or second meeting](#) with a MOCs or staff.

**Attend climate advocate training:** This session will be offered on Sunday morning for new volunteers.

Visit [Preparing For Lobby Day](#) for a full walkthrough of what to expect and how to prepare!

## After the Conference

Get involved with your [Local Chapter](#)! If you're looking for a more structured way to volunteer, you can do an [Internship](#) with the local chapter or with CCL national. CCL interns work with our staff and volunteers throughout the country to engage their communities on climate action.

If there isn't a local chapter near you, you can start your own chapter by becoming a CCL [Campus Leader](#)! With support from CCL staff and higher ed allies, Campus Leaders learn climate advocacy skills, educate others about climate solutions, lead a group, and build political will for carbon pricing. Students who undergo the 15-week training program can apply to receive 1 credit from their academic institution.

Students in the second semester of the program start a climate campaign or group at their school.

If you've been involved as a volunteer, intern, or campus leader, consider becoming a [Regional Fellow](#). In this role, you help us recruit students to CCL, mentor campus leaders, and help with a regional conference. Regional fellows receive a stipend of \$500 for a one-year commitment.

## Connect with CCL

[CCL Community](#) is CCL's intranet for volunteers/members of Citizens' Climate Lobby. Sign up for CCL Community to get full access to resources, connect with other members, and have discussions!

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