

Meeting Information

Listed below are the Washington hotels which are used by the AAAS for housing and program activities during the Annual Meeting. The two-letter codes in parentheses identify session locations in the preliminary program.

Washington Hilton (WH): Public lectures and symposia; exhibits; contributed papers (poster sessions); business meetings; social functions; registration (advance and on site); information desk; message center; tour and banquet ticket desk; welcome center (hospitality); resource center for disabled registrants; headquarters office; newsroom; employment information; Science Film Festival.

Capital Hilton (CH): Symposia; business meetings; social functions; registration (advance and on site); information desk; message board; welcome center (hospitality); headquarters office.

Highland Hotel: Housing only.

Holiday Inn—Connecticut Avenue: Housing only.

Special AAAS shuttle buses will operate between the Washington Hilton and the Capital Hilton hotels throughout the daytime and into the evening hours during the meeting (see also "Ground Transportation").

For locations of the hotels, see map on page 1363 of this issue.

Meeting Registration

Registration categories and fees are listed on the advance registration form on page 1364. As a special service for meeting registrants, **AAAS now offers facilities for charging registration fees to VISA or MasterCard.** For your convenience, the advance registration form provides space for credit card information.

Advance registrants, please note: We will not mail the entire registration packet before the meeting. Instead, we will send you in early December an expanded preconvention program, your badge, registration receipt, and a voucher redeemable on site for the program book, condensed program (foldout), abstract volume and, as a bonus for early registration, your free copy of the 1982 AAAS Calendar. Present your voucher at one of the advance registrants' desks located in the Washington Hilton (Concourse Level) and the Capital Hilton (Upper Lobby). Registration hours are as follows:

Sunday, 3 January	2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Monday through Thursday,	
4–7 January	8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Friday, 8 January	8:00 a.m. – 12 noon

Registration Refunds

The AAAS will refund advance registration fees for all cancellations received by letter or telegram prior to 28 December 1981. **No refunds will be made on cancellation notices received after that date.** Refunds will be mailed from the AAAS offices in Washington after the Annual Meeting.

Tax Deduction for Educational Expenses

U.S. Treasury regulation §1.162–5 permits an income tax deduction for educational expenses (registration fees and cost of travel, meals, and lodging) incurred to (i) maintain or improve skills required in one's employment or other trade or business or (ii) meet express requirements of an employer or a law imposed as a condition to retention of employment, job status, or rate of compensation. This is true even for education which leads to a degree.

Hotel Reservations

The four Washington hotels AAAS will use for housing and meetings have set aside—at guaranteed reduced rates—blocks of guest rooms for the attendants of the AAAS Annual Meeting. **These rates are guaranteed only when reservations are made through the AAAS Housing Bureau prior to 14 December 1981.** Please read the hotel reservation form on page 1365 carefully; room assignments will be delayed if any information is omitted from the form. Please note that the AAAS Housing Bureau cannot accept any reservations by telephone.

Do not be a "No-Show"! If you have made a hotel reservation and find that you cannot attend the meeting, write to the Housing Bureau (or call the hotel) and cancel.

Ground Transportation

Airport-to-Hotel: Three major airports serve the Greater Washington Metropolitan Area. Buses operate daily between the airports and the meeting hotels, as noted below (fares quoted may be subject to change):

Washington National Airport, 4–5 miles from city center. Buses, running every 30 minutes, stop at both the Washington Hilton and the Capital Hilton; **fare, \$3.25.**
Taxi, approx. \$6.00.

Dulles International Airport, 26 miles from city center. Buses, running on an hourly schedule, stop at both the Washington Hilton and the Capital Hilton; **fare, \$7.75.**
Taxi, approx. \$27.00.

Baltimore-Washington International Airport, about 40 miles from city center. Buses, running every 45 minutes, stop at Capital Hilton only; **fare, \$7.00.**
Taxi, approx. \$36.00; insist that driver quote fare before you enter vehicle.

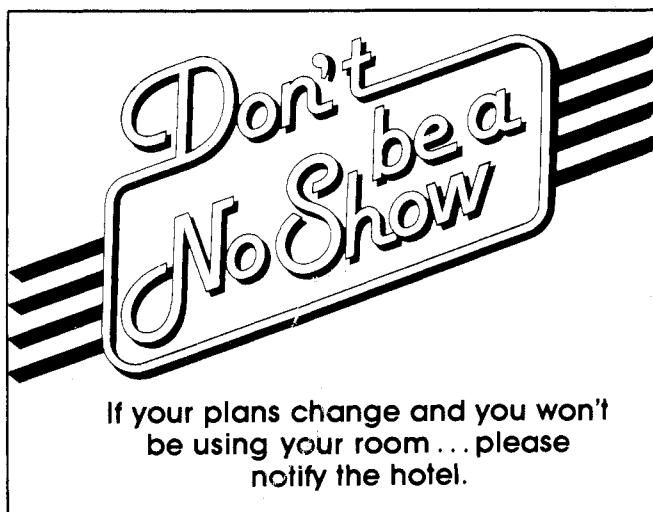
Taxis: Washington taxis operate on a zone system (no meters). Zones begin in the central city and radiate outward. Rates start at \$1.55 for one person and increase from zone to zone. For example, the Capital Hilton and the Washington Hilton are within zone 1; thus, the cab fare between the two hotels is \$1.55. There is an extra charge of 75¢ for each additional person sharing the vehicle from point of origin to final destination. Cabs are also permitted to pick up passengers en route if they go in the same general direction as the passengers already occupying the vehicle; these additional passengers pay the full fare as applicable from the point of pickup. During afternoon rush hour, 4:00–6:30 p.m., a surcharge of 65¢ is in effect. **The taxi fares quoted above may be subject to change.** Inquiries or complaints about taxi fares should be directed to the Public Vehicles Division, D.C. Department of Transportation, 202/727-5401.

AAAS shuttle buses between the Washington Hilton and the Capital Hilton will be operating throughout the daytime and into the evening hours during the Annual Meeting. Service will begin at midday on Sunday, 3 January, and conclude at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, 8 January. Schedules will be posted at all meeting hotels.

Resources for Disabled Registrants

The AAAS, in cooperation with the Washington Advisory Committee, is again making every effort to make the Annual Meeting fully accessible to disabled individuals. In addition to hotel rooms which

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can accommodate wheelchairs, and accessible meeting areas, the following resources will be available:

- A Resource Center, located in the Washington Hilton Hotel, staffed with volunteers to offer assistance on request.
- Assistance in movement within and between meeting hotels as needed.
- Transportation service to and from airports and train and bus terminals, as needed.
- Interpreters for the hearing-impaired at all public lectures and for other sessions on request.
- Emergency repair service for wheelchairs.
- Special tour and sight-seeing information for disabled persons.
- Audiotaped highlights of the meeting program for persons with visual impairments.

Persons needing special hotel accommodations, interpreting services, and other assistance are strongly urged to so indicate on the advance registration and housing forms. Your early response will help us to plan and serve you better. For additional information, contact Virginia Stern, AAAS Project on the Handicapped in Science, 1776

Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20036 (phone: 202/467-4497).

Employment Information Center

In the Exhibit Hall at the Washington Hilton, there will be bulletin boards for posting "positions wanted" and "positions open" notices. Also available will be separate tables for conducting interviews. AAAS will not coordinate interactions between prospective employers and employees. Interested persons will have access to the Employment Information Center during exhibit hours, which are as follows:

4 January	10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
5-6 January	10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
7 January	10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Child Care Services

For meeting attendants who require baby-sitters for infants and small children, or companion care for children aged 8 years and up, we have obtained the services of the **Child Care Agency (phone 202/783-8573)**. The agency is open Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; 24 hours' notice is requested. All sitters are over age 21. **Rates:** The hourly rate is \$3.50 for one child (4 hours minimum) plus sitter's transportation cost; add 25¢ per hour for each additional child.

