## **Volunteers Needed**

"Harnessing the Data Revolution: Ensuring Water and Food Security from Field to Global Scales" is the theme of the 2014 Water for Food Global Conference, hosted by the Robert B. Daugherty Water for Food Institute at the University of Nebraska and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. The conference, to be held Oct. 19-22 at the Hyatt Regency Bellevue in Seattle, brings together experts from around the world to explore how the data revolution can help address the pressing need for global water and food security.

This year's conference includes side events – 90-minute sessions convened by a wide range of researchers, NGOs, scientific organizations and industry leaders to share and discuss their work on data, water and food security issues. The Water for Food Institute is seeking student volunteers to assist with side events from 1:30 – 5 p.m. Sunday, October 19<sup>th</sup> and 3:30 – 5 p.m. Wednesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>. Volunteer duties may include helping conference participants get to and from specific side events, audiovisual support, answering questions and serving as a liaison between conference staff and participants.

In exchange for their services, volunteers are invited to participate in the conference's opening reception from 5:30 – 7 p.m. on Sunday, October 19<sup>th</sup>. The reception includes hors d'oeuvres and refreshments and is a great opportunity to network with conference participants and global experts in the fields of water, food security, environmental sustainability, public health and higher education.

For more information about the 2014 Water for Food Global Conference, please visit the conference <u>website</u>. If interested in a volunteer opportunity contact Ruth Kazmerzak at <u>ruth.kaz.9@gmail.com</u> or <u>ruthkaz9@uw.edu</u>