

I am applying for:

Science & Math _____ Social Sciences & Humanities _____ Lively Arts _____

Miramontes Arts and Sciences Program
The University of Colorado at Boulder
College of Arts and Sciences
Entering Scholar / PEAC Application

Application Information & Instructions:

The Miramontes Arts and Sciences Program (MASP) at the University of Colorado at Boulder is an academic community comprised of students dedicated to pursuing academic excellence at CU. We provide students with faculty and staff who are available to support them in their successful matriculation and graduation from CU-Boulder. Every summer, MASP invites top incoming, underrepresented freshman to its Summer Program for Excellence in Academics and Community (PEAC - formerly "Summer Bridge") - a rigorous academic program focusing on intensive university-level material, and giving its students an opportunity to form a strong community while being introduced to material and concepts that will serve them during their freshman year and beyond. PEAC is tailor-made for students who want to spend six weeks of their summer participating in a challenging experience. This years PEAC will run from June 17th, 2012 thru July 20th, 2012.

Applicants must be admitted to the University of Colorado at Boulder as first-year students to be eligible for consideration. In order to ensure consideration, completed applications for the current entering class should be submitted **by MARCH 31st, 2012. After the deadline we will review applications until we fill our available spots.** We honor faxed applications. Completed applications should be faxed (to: 303- 492-6554) or mailed to:

Leticia Sanchez
Miramontes Arts and Sciences Program
Campus Box 347
Boulder CO 80309-0347

All material on application must be typewritten or printed and must include:

1. A completed **Entering Scholar / PEAC Application**.
2. **Two** letters of recommendation from individuals who can provide information requested on the **Recommendation Form**.
3. **One** official high school transcript including Pre-College enrichment course work, if any.
4. **Two required 750-word Essays**. Thoughtful completion of these essays is essential to your consideration for this program. Please do **not** use a generic essay or answer for this application, but instead consider the questions and answer as completely and specifically as you can. Make sure you complete both essays.
 - (a) Describe your most difficult academic struggle and explain how you were able to persevere through this challenge.
 - (b) What do you consider to be the value, if any, in being a student in a diverse, yet academically oriented community, such as MASP? What difference would it make for you personally?

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Entering Scholar Application

Full Legal Name (last, first, middle): _____

Permanent Address: _____

City: _____ **County:** _____ **State:** _____ **ZIP:** _____

Home Telephone: _____ **Other:** _____

E-mail: _____

Current High School: _____

G.P.A.: _____ **Class Standing by Percentile:** _____ % **Class Rank:** _____ of _____

Have you been accepted to the University of Colorado at Boulder? Yes: _____ No: _____

Have you submitted a FAFSA form for financial aid? Yes: _____ No: _____

Intended field of study: _____

Have you made a tentative career decision? Yes: _____ No: _____

If yes, specify: _____

Composite ACT: _____ **Composite SAT:** _____ **Math:** _____ **Verbal:** _____ **Writing:** _____

Age: _____ **Birthdate:** ____/____/____ **Gender: Female:** _____ **Male:** _____

Ethnicity (Optional – Please check all that apply):

____ Asian or Pacific Islander ____ Native American or Alaskan Native
____ Black, not of Hispanic Origin ____ Hispanic, Latino, Chicano, Mexican-American
____ White, not of Hispanic Origin ____ Other: _____

Parent/Legal guardian information:

Mother's Occupation: _____

Employer: _____

Highest Level of Education: _____

Father's Occupation: _____

Employer: _____

Highest Level of Education: _____

Work Experience (Please complete or attach a resume)

Employer: _____

Job Description: _____

Hours Per Week: _____ Dates of Employment: _____

Are you eligible for work-study? _____

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Awards/Organization Affiliation, Community Service and other noteworthy accomplishments:

Name of Organization: _____

Position Held: _____ Dates of Participation: _____

Honors or Awards Received: _____

Other Accomplishments: _____

Community Service Activities: _____

Are you planning on participating in any of the following CU Programs? _____no
_____ ELLC _____McNeill _____Honors _____PLC _____Undergraduate Academy

How did you learn about MASP? (please specify):

High School Counselor: _____ **College Fair:** _____ **Daniels Program:** _____

Open House: _____ **Letter of Invitation from MASP:** _____ **Admissions:** _____

Financial Aid: _____ **Web site:** _____ **Former or Current MASP student:** _____

Other (please explain): _____

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Phone: (303) 492-8229 FAX: (303) 492-6554

World Wide Web address: <http://www.Colorado.edu/masp/>

E-mail: masp@colorado.edu

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Teacher/Instructor Recommendation

To the student/applicant:

Under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, students who are admitted and who matriculate into the program to which they apply are given the right to inspect their records, including their letters of recommendation, unless they have waived their right of review.

You have the option of (1) signing the following waiver, or (2) declining to do so.

1. I expressly waive any rights I might have to access of this letter of recommendation under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Because of the intensity of the Summer PEAC, it is essential for MASP to invite only those students who truly want to be part of this experience and want to actively engage in it.

_____ is applying to the PEAC program.

Careful and critical review of this student with regard to the following five measures is imperative for his/her consideration to the Summer Program for Excellence in Academics & Community (PEAC). In addition to any specific comments you have of this student, please assess the following:

- 1) How long and in what capacity you have known this student.
- 2) The student's role in shaping classroom dynamics and initiative around academic topics.
- 3) The student's persistence through academic challenges.
- 4) The student's ability/potential to contribute to and benefit working with other students.
- 5) If known, the student's aspiration of post-bachelor or other professional degrees.

Please attach this sheet to your Letter of Recommendation. Thank you for taking the time to evaluate this student.

Instructor Recommendation Form

Please also rate the applicant in the categories indicated on the following sheet and attach it with your letter of recommendation.

	Always	Usually	Sometimes	Rarely	Never	N/A - Not Able To Judge
Demonstrates Leadership						
Responds well to criticisms						
Positive group participation / interactions						
Manages time well						
Shows strong work ethic						
Adjusts well to new/demanding situations						
Takes initiative to promote new ideas						
Positively contributes to classroom dynamic						
Shows concern and respect for others						
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