

2025 CU Boulder Summer Music Academy

High school counselor job opportunity

On June 15-19 2025, the CU Boulder College of Music will be hosting our annual Summer Music Academy for high school band, orchestra, and piano students. We are looking for qualified CU students or local area professionals who are interested in serving as overnight or daytime counselors. Prospective counselors should be enthusiastic, hardworking, positive, and interested and capable of instructing secondary music.

Description of camp: The High School Summer Music Academy is an opportunity for talented band, orchestra, and piano students from across Colorado and beyond to receive world-class instruction in a one-week summer session. The campers will be placed into a large ensemble setting and will also be divided up into one of many small ensembles in order to gain valuable chamber experience. Counselors are responsible for all activities and for monitoring campers at all times.

Compensation/Employment Opportunities:

- Overnight Counselor Pay: \$1,400 plus room/board and meals at CU Dining for the week
- Daytime Counselor Pay: \$700 plus lunches at CU Dining services
- Additional employment opportunities as section coaches may be hired per-service for teaching masterclasses, running sectionals, and choosing/rehearsing chamber music may be available based on need. (\$50/per-service)

Please see the pages below for an overview of expectations and duties for the HS SMA counselor positions. **Deadline to apply is Friday, March 7th.** [Please fill out the google form application located here.](#) We anticipate hiring counselor applicants on or before April 1st. Additional positions may be hired on a rolling basis as enrollment continues and finalizes in mid-May.

This year's SMA promises to be an amazing week of learning for our high school students and we hope that many of you will be interested in sharing your musicianship with them.

Feel free to let us know if you have any questions or concerns.

We look forward to receiving your applications.

Sincerely,

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Counselor job description

As a counselor for the CU High School Summer Music Academy, you will have the exciting opportunity to work with talented band, orchestra, and piano students from across the United States. In addition to the week of camp, there will be two required informational meetings. Specific dates and times will be communicated upon hiring.

Counselors will be chosen based on the overall needs of the camp, including but not limited to camp enrollment numbers, instrumentation, room assignments, schedule availability, student supervision mandates, teaching experience, and musicianship.

All Counselors:

- Counselors may be required to complete training(s) to comply with CU Youth Protection Services. Training may include, *Safe Interactions with Youth*, and *CPR/ First Aid Certification*.
- Assist with rehearsal and performance space set up/tear down
- Assist with registration
- Direct campers to and from dorms, CU Dining, and Imig College of Music
- Perform in ensembles during rehearsals (at conductors discretion)
- Perform in the camp faculty recital
- Instruct sectionals and instrument specific masterclasses (as needed)
- Select and coach chamber music
- Teach elective classes/plan learning labs and all activities prior to camp (as needed)
- Eat lunch with campers
- Attend all concerts and may serve as an usher/stagehand
- Serve as the responsible adult for their assigned campers at all times
- Are responsible for helping prepare activities for campers
- Attend required counselor meetings before and during camp
- Additional assigned duties throughout the week, as needed

Overnight Counselor Specific:

- Stay in the CU provided housing (dorms), and be on call, on campus 24/7.
 - From 8:00am on Sunday, June 15 – 9:00pm Thursday June 19th
- Eat Breakfast, lunch, and dinner with campers
- Perform room checks/wakeups before breakfast and after evening activities

Daytime Counselor Specific:

- Daytime counselor's report at 7:45am and end at 5:15pm.
- Evening activities are not required with the exception of being present for the **Chamber Concert** (if you are coaching chamber ensemble), and the **final performance**.
- Assist with daily check-in/out for commuting students