



DENVER SEMINARY

Student Life Community Advisor Application

The Community Advisors (CAs) are a group of four students who live in the on-campus apartments and function as an extension of the Student Life Department for the benefit of the seminary and its students. Student Life focuses on caring for students holistically, helping to mitigate challenges that may impact a students' ability to continue at Denver Seminary, and providing spaces for students to connect and cultivate a sense of belonging. As student representatives living in the on-campus apartments, the Community Advisors will be developed as leaders who influence their community by modeling good neighboring and encouraging connection.

Functions and Responsibilities

- 1) General Team Participation:** Members are expected to regularly attend scheduled meetings with the CA team and other Student Leaders and participate in all CA organized Resident events.
- 2) Community Life:** As a group, the Advisors creatively and intentionally foster healthy community practices amongst on-campus residents. They also oversee the maintenance and continuance of various student resources such as the Community Room and Community Swap areas.
- 3) New Student Care:** Each CA member functions as a "host" to any new students moving into on-campus housing, making contact via text message, phone, and e-mail, and taking them on a move-in tour. (10% of your hours)
- 4) Personal & Professional Development Opportunities:** CAs can expect that they will learn through working together with the CA team, planning and implementing programming, monthly leadership seminars, 1-1 meetings with staff and a leadership training day each semester.

Members of the Student Leadership teams can expect to grow as leaders in the following areas of professional and personal development and ministry experience:

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| 1) Organizational Communication | 5) Organizational & Group Dynamics |
| 2) Conflict Resolution | 6) Collaborative Evaluation & Decision Making |
| 3) Administrative Accountability | 7) Project Management & Oversight |
| 4) Cultural Competency | 8) Personal Formation & Spiritual Growth |

Membership Details

- The Community Advisor team includes members selected through an application process; applicants must have lived in Denver Seminary on-campus housing for at least one semester;
- A membership term lasts one calendar year to align with a normal apartment lease (*May 2021-May 2022*);
- Staff members of the Student Life Department are ex-officio members;
- Membership is estimated to involve about **80 hours** per semester (5 hours per week for 16 weeks);
- Each member will receive a **\$200 dollar a month** rent reduction from Aug 2021 to May 2022, plus a stipend for hours worked during Summer 2021.

Academic and Behavioral Expectations

- Maintain satisfactory academic progress for your degree program as defined by the Academic Catalog;
- Sign and submit the Award Letter from the Financial Aid office for receipt of the scholarship;
- Attend and assist with New Student Orientation, Welcome-Back, and other relevant all campus events each semester;
- Make every effort, including rearranging one's personal work schedule, to be available as a representative of the on-campus resident population for ad-hoc events or meetings.

Revocation of the scholarship and dismissal from the CA team may occur if:

- An advisor is absent from two consecutive meetings or four in total during the year without a valid reason;
- An advisor is found to be responsible for a conduct violation, is suspended, withdraws from the Seminary, is unable to maintain the required GPA for their program, or is academically dismissed;
- There is regular non-involvement in CA and/or Student Leadership activities.

Important Upcoming Dates for 2021-2022 Community Advisors

Wednesday, March 17 th from 4:00-5:00 pm	New Leadership Teams Meeting
Thursday, April 1 st from 5:00-6:00 pm	Pass the Torch! Meeting with Current Team
Wednesday, April 28 th from 4:00-5:30 pm	Move-In Tour Training
Saturday, August 14 th from 9:00 am-7:00 pm	Leadership Vision and Training Day
Thursday, August 19 th from 3:00-9:00 pm	New Student Orientation
Tuesday, August 24 th from 4:00-7:00 pm	Welcome Back Event



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Name: _____ Student ID: _____
Phone: _____ Program of Study: _____
Expected Graduation (Semester): _____

Please submit application documents by **Wednesday, February 24th** either by dropping them off at the Student Life and Enrollment Office or via email to StudentLife@denverseminary.edu

To apply, please include the following four items:

- 1) This application
- 2) Your current resume
- 3) One recommendation from a Seminary professor
- 4) One recommendation from a current student

SLB Application Questions (Please provide the answers to these questions on a Word Doc/PDF and answer each question in 150 words or less. When appropriate, feel free to utilize bullet points)

- **Why would you like to be a Community Advisor?**
- **What related experience and abilities do you bring to this role?**
- **Tell us about a team you have been on and what role you played in that context.**
- **Over the last six months, what is a trait, quality, skill, or character trait which you have aimed to improve or develop?**
- **As you reflect on your experience as a student and resident at Denver Seminary, what is one pressing need you have observed in the student experience?**
- **What other priorities will compete for your schedule next academic year and where would this responsibility rank in your priorities?** (*Family, Job, Ministry, Internship, etc.*)
** As in most professional contexts, it is expected that you are able to attend meetings without your children. If you have children, please include your plan for obtaining childcare during all CA meetings and trainings to ensure your full participation.*