

Brad Keesler (trombone) is an active performer, freelance musician, and teacher. He is currently in his second year of doctoral study in music performance at the University of South Carolina. He holds degrees from the University of Kentucky (B.M.) and Middle Tennessee State University (M.A.). His primary teachers have been Dale Warren, David Loucky, and Brad Edwards. He has also studied conducting with Reed Thomas.

As a soloist, Keesler has performed at the Eastern Trombone Workshop Solo Competition and the William C. Byrd Young Artists Competition, and he has been a featured soloist with the USC Wind Ensemble and Chamber Orchestra. He has appeared with Symphony Orchestra Augusta, South Carolina Philharmonic, North Charleston Pops, Huntsville Symphony, Sewanee Symphony, has performed twice at the International Trombone Festival, and is a member of the Capital City Brass Quintet in Columbia.

He was previously a Graduate Teaching Assistant at MTSU, where he received Outstanding Graduate Student and Outstanding Brass Performance awards. In 2010, Keesler worked for Carnival Cruise Lines as a showband musician. He is a member of Pi Kappa Lambda National Music Honor Society, International Trombone Association, and is an alumni member of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia.