



UNIVERSITY OF SCOUTING

Saturday, August 28, 2021

8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

Mabee Scout Reservation

Locust Grove, OK

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General Information

Purpose of the University of Scouting:

The “**University of Scouting**” is a supplemental training opportunity for all adult Scout leaders. It is the only time during the year where you can find, all in one place, the widest variety of training opportunities in all program areas (*Cub Scouts, Scouts USA, Venturing, Sea Scouting, Varsity Scouts, District Operations, and Council*).

Whether you are new to the program or a veteran of many years, the University provides interesting courses in Cub Scouts, Scouting, leadership training for Venturing, Varsity, and Sea Scouting, as well as general topics applicable across the Scouting programs and District operations.

- **Cub Scouting Studies** provides a wide variety of courses from working with Cub Scout-aged youth to Pack administration to planning for an outdoor program, all focused on meeting Scouting goals while having fun as a Pack or Den.
- **Scouting BSA Studies** provides an exciting variety of Troop, Patrol and outdoor planning courses to help manage the challenges of a great Troop experience.
- **Venturing Studies** focuses on the needs of Venture Crews in regard to Leadership and adventure. This is an interesting combination of courses for those who wish to learn more about the Venturing program with resources and information on a variety of leadership and high adventure topics.
NOTE: Due to the methods used in the Venturing program, **Scouts registered as members of a Venturing Crew are permitted** to register for participation in sessions in the Venturing Studies section and in other sections if noted with “(V)”.
- **General Studies** offers many courses that cover multiple areas of Scouting. Just about everything from diversity and special needs to using technology and STEM can be found in this section.
- **The College of Commissioners Science** offers a variety of classes geared to needs of Commissioners, volunteers who work with various Units to aid those leaders in providing a quality program to their Scouts.

All these opportunities are available at the University of Scouting for learning how to better serve our young people and better work with our fellow leaders and professionals!

Online Registration – Online registration is available after June 10, 2021. Early bird registration will be available for a reduced fee thru Sunday, August 15, 2021.

Participants and staff – Early Bird - thru Aug 15, 2021	Fee \$ 15.00
Participants and staff – General - after Aug 15, 2021	Fee \$ 20.00

Registration will close on **Tuesday, Aug 24, 2021 at 12:00 midnight.**

Included with Registration – Your registration fee includes attendance at your choice of up to six (6) University of Scouting courses, a University of Scouting patch, morning refreshments, lunch and your program degree certificate or certificate of attendance.

Opening and Closing Assemblies – In the morning and afternoon, assemblies will be conducted and are open to all participants. Short welcoming and inspirational messages, pertinent information, and other last-minute details will be available in the morning assembly. We urge everyone to stay for the closing assembly to help us celebrate another successful training program and to give a big “THANKS” to the many volunteers that aided in putting this program on.

Midway – A Scouting midway will be available throughout the day where you can meet your District Leadership and review district happenings, gather information relative to other trainings and events, and gain ideas for activities from Scouting and non-Scouting sources alike.

The midway will be located throughout the training area and will be open and may be visited throughout the morning, between classes and throughout lunch. The midway will close at 2:00 PM.

Trading Post – A Trading Post may be available on-site, based on availability of the Scout Shop and personnel. If set up, it will be open during check-in prior to opening ceremonies, throughout the morning, and during lunch for purchases of BSA literature, including most “in print” material referenced in University of Scouting courses. The Trading Post will close no later than 2:00 pm.

Lunch is included – Lunch will be available during one of two lunch periods (11:00 – 12:00 noon / 12:00 noon – 1:00 pm) for all participants and staff. Your lunch period will be assigned based on your class schedule.

Classes – Select up to six (6) classes of your choosing, in order of most importance to you for your Scouting position or interest. As an example, if you are Cub Scout Leader, you may choose a series of classes from Cub Scout Studies and General Studies that best fit your position. However, you may also consider selecting sessions from the Scouting BSA Studies section that may hold special interest for you. **Your schedule is what you make of it.**

Schedule

8:15 – 8:45	8:45 - 9:00	9:10 - 10:00	10:10 - 11:00	11:00 - 12:00	11:10 - 12:00	12:00 - 12:50	12:00 - 1:00	1:00 - 1:50	2:00 - 2:50	3:00 - 3:50	4:00 - 4:20
REGISTRATION & MIDWAY	OPENING	CS07	CS02	LUNCH #1 & MIDWAY	CS12	CS11	LUNCH #2 & MIDWAY	CS01	CS13	CS03	CLOSING
		CS08	SB01		SB02	CS14		SB09	CS10		
		SB05	SB06		VS02	SB08		SB11	VS06	SB04	
		VS04	VS01		GS08	GS08		VS03	GS05	GS05	
		GS07	GS02		GS19	GS09		GS14	GS10	GS12	
		GS11	GS13		BCS102	SB12		GS22	BCS114	GS24	
		MCS315	BCS101		MCS304	GS25		BCS105	CED716	BCS107	
			MCS309		DCS502			MCS305	DCS504	MCS357	
			DCS501					DCS503		CED720	

Cub Scout Sessions

CS01	Pack Leadership and Leadership Team Building
CS02	Pinching Pennies
CS03	Adding Pizzazz into Your Program
CS07	Overcoming Adversity
CS08	A, B, C's of Planning
CS10	Field Trips and Camping for Cub Scouts
CS11	Mechanics of Advancement – Cub Scouting
CS12	Races and Regattas
CS13	Family Scouting – How to Make it Work
CS14	Mabee Scout Reservation Backstage

Scouts BSA Sessions

SB01	Annual Planning and Budgeting for Troops
SB02	Mechanics of Advancement – Scouts BSA
SB03	Recruiting and Retaining Scouts in Your Troop
SB04	The Board of Review
SB05	Scoutmaster Conferences – Ins and Outs
SB06	Life to Eagle and the Role of the Eagle Scout Service Project Coach
SB08	L.S.T. NYLT & NAYLE – What Are They and Why Do I Need Them? (V)
SB09	High Adventure Opportunities for Older Scouts (V)
SB11	Backpacking 101
SB12	Leadership Development Using Eagle Required Merit Badges: Environmental Science and Sustainability

Venturing Scouting Sessions

VS01	Climb to the Top – Advancement in Venturing (V)
VS02	Venturing Outside – The Ranger Award (V)
VS03	Venturing in Your Community – Local Service Opportunities (V)
VS04	Putting Adventure in Venturing (V)
VS06	Lead the Adventure - The Kodiak Leadership Experience (V)

General Scouting Sessions

GS02	Beyond the Badge – Special Awards
GS05	Scoutbook – The Future of Advancement
GS07	Flag Etiquette and Flag Ceremonies (V)
GS08	Games, Games, Games(V)
GS09	Integrating Outdoor Ethics Into Your Program Plans (V)
GS10	Duty to God (V)
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GS19	Administration of District and Council Events
GS22	Navigating My Scouting (V)
GS24	Making Time for Recharter
GS25	STEM in Action

College Of Commissioners Science Sessions

Bachelors Degree Courses

BCS101	Core Concepts of Commissioners Service
BCS102	Supporting Timely Charter Renewal
BCS105	Resolving Common Unit Problems
BCS107	Journey to Excellence
BCS114	Understanding and Communicating with Today's Leaders

Masters Degree Courses

MCS304	Commissioner Service for Units at Risk
MCS305	Resolving Critical Issues
MCS309	Good Commissioners Need Both Head and Heart
MCS315	Effective Unit Service in Rural Communities
MCS357	Long Distance Roundtables

Doctorate Degree Courses

DCS501	Selecting Your Project or Thesis Topic
DCS502	Limiting the Scope of the Topic
DCS503	Developing Your Project or Thesis
DCS504	Project / Thesis Open Workshop Forum

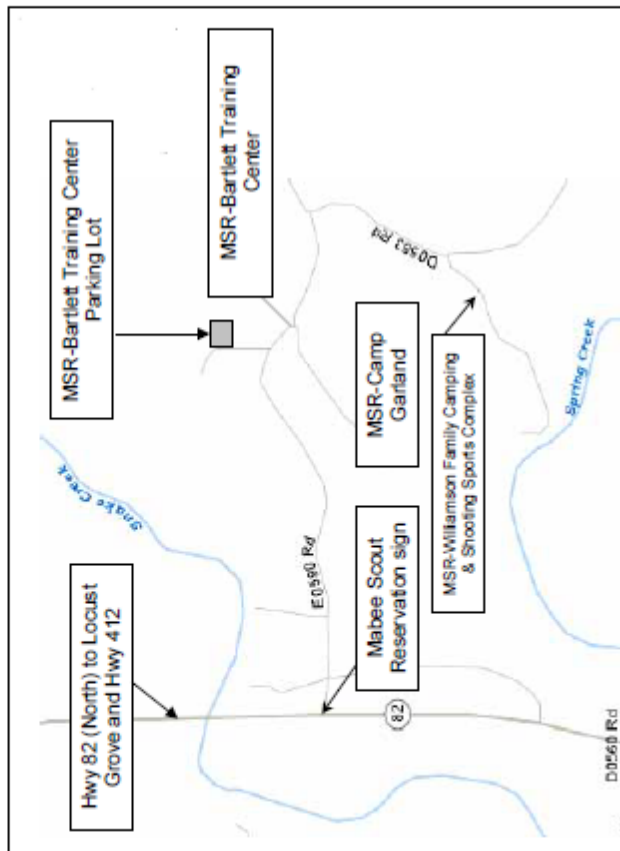
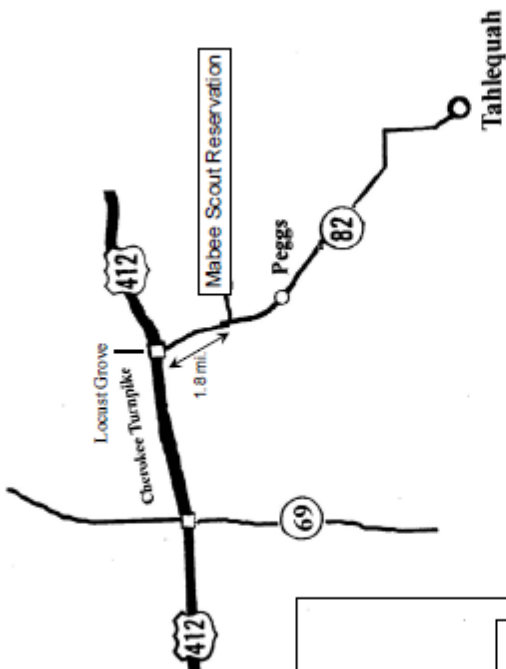
Continuing Education Courses for Commissioners

CED716	Conflict Resolution for Commissioners
CED720	Commissioner's Introduction to Valuing Diversity

Map to Mabee Scout Reservation:

Follow Highway 412 to the Cherokee Turnpike
 Exit and follow the Cherokee Turnpike to the Highway 82 Exit
 Turn right on Highway 82 and travel 1.8 miles (past Snake Creek)
 Then turn left (east) at the Mabee Scout Reservation sign onto E0590 Rd.
 Travel .9 miles – MSR - Camp Garland will be on the right
 The entrance to the MSR - Bartlett Training Center will be on the left

Tulsa



Williamson Shooting Sports Complex
 From the main entrance to Mabee Scout Reservation (Camp Garland) continue East on E0590 Rd for approximately 2/10 of a mile.
 Bear right (south) at "T" intersection, D0583 Rd and travel 1/4th of a mile.
 Bear right to the entrance of Williamson Family Camping and Shooting Sports Complex.
 Williamson Shooting Sports Complex is 2/10 of a mile from D0583 Rd.

Indian Nations Council

University of Scouting Degree Requirements

Basic Training is not offered at the University of Scouting. It is not a prerequisite for any degree, but it is needed to earn the Training Awards and Keys that are required for the Doctorate Degree.

Bachelors Degree (each course of study)

- A) Complete six (6) class hours in your specific program of study.

1. Your schedule must include at least two (2) classes from the program level specific list, for the program of study attended that year.

(Ex: if you specify Cub Scout Studies, then at least two Cub Scout sessions must be included in your schedule for the attendance requirement to be met.)

Masters Degree (each course of study)

- A) Complete twelve (12) class hours (*minimum of two years attendance*) in your specific program of study.

1. Each college must include at least two (2) classes from the program level specific list, for the program of study attended that year. (*Minimum of four required classes completed*)

Doctorate Degree

- A) Complete eighteen (18) class hours (*minimum of three years attendance*) in your specific program of study.

1. Each college must include at least two (2) classes from the program level specific list, for the program of study attended that year. (*Minimum of six required classes completed*)

- B) Do **one** of the following:

1. Complete Woodbadge Training and Ticket.
2. Complete a week-long training experience at Philmont or other approved location.
3. Develop a thesis or project suitable for publication.

- C) Additional Requirements Needed for Each College.

Cub Scout Studies - (*Receive one of the following*):

Cubmaster Key Award, Scouter's Training Award for Cub Scouts or Den Leader Award

Scouts BSA Studies - (*Receive one of the following*):

Scouter's Training Award for Scouts BSA or Scoutmaster Key

Venturing Studies - (*Receive one of the following*):

Venturing Training Award or Advisor Key

University of Scouting Degree Requirements (continued)

Post Graduate Studies *(each course of study)*

After completion of the Doctorate Degree from a course of study, if you continue in that same course, you will receive certificates for additional studies completed in that program.

Special Studies *(each course of study)*

If you wish to attend the same course of study for three or more years, but have not completed the Doctorate Degree requirements for that program, you will receive the Special Studies Certificate.

Cub Scout Studies

- CS01** ***Pack Leadership and Leadership Team Building***
Most, if not all, units face challenges filling all the leadership capabilities to meet the needs of the Pack. What can we do to improve this situation and maintain our sanity along the way? Learn how to share the load. Learn how to work together and build the up the team you have.
- CS02** ***Pinching Pennies***
How to serve more from the same pie. Making and keeping a Scouting budget. Create a quality program and improve your experiences without increasing cost. Fun is not always store bought. Including tips and tricks for fundraising.
- CS03** ***Adding Pizzazz into Your Program***
Can I make a difference? **YOU BETCHA!** How can we hit a homerun with our message? Improve your ceremonies. Add a little sparkler. Sing some songs. Cheer on the skits. Fun through song, cheers, and skits in your Den and Pack. Also included are helpful tips and information related to your Blue and Gold ceremonies.
- CS07** ***Overcoming Adversity***
We all have challenging Cubs and challenging Cub families. Thinking about the “why and how” helps us to better understand and respond to those “problem Scouts”. Includes strategies for managing learning differences, behavioral concerns, and family dynamics.
- CS08** ***A, B, C's of Planning***
Some days are like herding cats. Keeping a Cub Scout's attention while trying to teach the skills needed to advance in their program may seem impossible. It may not be easy, but we are Scouts and come prepared. Learn how games, activities, and events will help keep Cubs and families interested and focused.
- CS10** ***Field Trips and Camping for Cubs***
Learn about the many great opportunities to spend the day exploring. What adventures are nearby for a fun day trip? What events are available for Cub Scouts? What about Cub Scout family and Webelos Den camping opportunities? When and where can Cub Scouts camp? Share your favorite outing.
- CS11** ***Mechanics of Advancement – Cub Scouting***
The A, B, C's of Advancement! Keeping accurate records for each Scout, along with recording and reporting the advancement is one of the key methods of Scouting. Learn where to find the answers to your questions regarding advancement policies and procedures and what tools are available to assist you.
- CS12** ***Races and Regattas***
Come learn the ins and outs of planning, setting up and running Cub Scout Pine Wood derbies, Rain Gutter Regattas and Space Regattas. What rules might you use, and which rules are required? Where can you find the materials? Where do you come up with tracks and racing gear? Although it may seem a daunting task to run, is not as hard as it seems and can be extremely rewarding and fun, even for the Pack leaders.
- CS13** ***Family Scouting – How to Make it Work***
Scouting in America has changed in the 21st century. More than ever before, families are searching for programs that allow more involvement for all family members. Scouting meets that challenge with Family Scouting. This session will help you to better understand how to build a program in your unit that includes the entire family.

Cub Scout Studies (continued)

CS14 ***Mabee Scout Reservation – Backstage***

New to Scouting? Not taken part at an event at Mabee Scout Reservation previously? This is an opportunity to tour the camp and see what opportunities are available for our Scouts at Mabee S.R.

(Note: This session will be presented in the form of a walking tour of the camp to see the areas and activities offered. Due to the terrain and time constraints, participants will hike to the bottom of the hill, and be shuttled back to the top side.)

Scouts BSA Studies

- SB01** ***Annual Planning and Budgeting for Troops***
For a Troop on the go, everyone needs to be keenly aware of their responsibilities and the needs required to maintain this momentum. The importance of annual planning and preparation for this event will be discussed, along with proper budgeting to support and help assure the success of the plan.
- SB02** ***Mechanics of Advancement – Scouts BSA***
This session will explore the how advancement occurs in Scout Troops, how and who approves advancement at this level, and the four steps to advancement. Participants will also review how leadership, personal responsibility and service fit into the advancement equation. The role of the Unit Advancement Chair is explored, along with how advancement fits into the unit's Journey to Excellence program.
- SB03** ***Recruiting and Retaining Scouts in Your Troop***
Fun and personal growth opportunities abound in the Scouting program. Keeping your Scouts active and involved is key to keeping them in your program. In this session, best practices for recruiting new Scouts and methods on keeping the experience fun and meaningful to keep them engaged will be discussed.
- SB04** ***The Board of Review***
This session will examine the Board of Review process, the makeup of the review board, and the roles and responsibilities of the board members. An overview of the Eagle Scout Board of Review, and how it differs from boards of review at the lower Scout ranks will be included.
- SB05** ***Scoutmaster Conferences – Ins and Outs***
In this session, how to go about conducting an appropriate Scoutmaster Conference will be reviewed, along with providing participants a better understanding of the intent of the conference and how this time may be used to enrich the Scout / Scoutmaster relationship.
- SB06** ***Life to Eagle and the Role of the Eagle Scout Service Project Coach***
What is an Eagle Scout Service Project Coach, who is eligible and *what do they do?* There is much to accomplish during this transition, including the Eagle Scout Service Project. In this session, participants will learn about this important mentoring function and how their efforts can aid in the successful completion of service projects proposed and performed by Eagle Scout candidates.
- SB08** ***ILST, NYLT & NAYLE – What Are They and Why Do I Need Them? (V)***
Introduction to Leadership Training (ILST), National Youth Leadership Training (NYLT), and the National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience (NAYLE) are high level leadership training opportunities for your Scouts, over and above the leadership typically learned and experienced within the unit. These programs offer the utmost in leadership skills training. What do you need to know as a Troop leader to take the most advantage of these opportunities for your Scouts?

Scouting BSA Studies (continued)

SB09

High Adventure Opportunities for Older Scouts (V)

Older Scouts typically require something more to keep them engaged in the Scouting program. High Adventure offers boundless opportunities to meet this need. What do you as a leader need to know to be able to make this happen for your Scouts? This session will focus on what high adventure is, as well as potential opportunities, and what you as a leader need to know to make this happen.

SB11

Backpacking 101

How do you integrate backpacking skills program into your Troop's advancement program? Want to keep your older scouts involved as they age? This informative session integrates outdoor skills and high adventure into the Scouts BSA advancement program to provide additional opportunities for your older Scouts without adding a lot of extra work.

SB12

Leadership Development Using Eagle Required Merit Badges: Environmental Science and Sustainability (V)

The BSA prioritizes building participating citizens and leaders in Public Health, Conservation, Environment, and Sustainability. Insight into these areas requires knowledge depth in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM). Advancement requirements and earning elective merit badges and awards equip Scouts to engage in society's most important challenges while building foundations for future academic and career pursuits. Learn how pursuing the STEM, Nova, Supernova, National Outdoor Badge for Conservation, and the Conservation Good Turn World Conservation, and the BSA Distinguished Conservation Service awards will increase individual and unit engagement and improve retention and recruitment, while building foundations for their future.

Venturing Studies

- VS01** ***Climb to the Summit – Advancement in Venturing (V)***
Advancement in the Venturing program is quite different from other Scouting programs that you may be familiar with. In this session, requirements for attainment of the core Venturing awards – the Venturing Award, the Discovery Award, the Pathfinder Award and the Summit Award – will be offered. The A.L.P.S model and Venturing Boards of Review will also be covered.
- VS02** ***Venturing Outside – The Ranger Award (V)***
What does outdoor adventure provide for the Venture Crews of today. This session will offer ideas and discussion as well as providing information on the process and requirements for attaining the Ranger award. Program ideas related to the Trust and Quest awards will also be introduced also.
- VS03** ***Venturing in Your Community – Local Service Opportunities (V)***
Service is a key aspect in all areas of Scouting. Especially in Venturing. In this session, ideas will be shared for Venture Scouts and Crews to attain both personal and Crew service time needed for advancement opportunities, as well as identifying local area groups that can benefit from those service hours.
- VS04** ***Putting Adventure in Venturing (V)***
Adventure is the backbone of the Venturing program. In this session, local opportunities will be explored that offer the high adventure – both outside and inside – that keeps your Venture Scouts and Crews craving more.
- VS06** ***Lead the Adventure – The Kodiak Leadership Experience (V)***
The Kodiak Challenge is designed to be an adventure that pushes the boundaries of every participant— one that will encourage you to try new things that may be out of your comfort zone. Learn how you can implement this challenging and exciting program in your Crew, District, or Council.

General Studies

- GS01** ***Family Scouting – How to Make it Work***
Family Scouting is here. Young ladies are invited to take part in all BSA programs. But what do we need to know to ensure our Scouts and their families are benefiting from all that Scouting has to offer? Take this class to gain the latest insights to BSA’s Family Scouting programs.
- GS02** ***Beyond the Badge – Special Awards***
If you’re looking for opportunities outside of typical rank advancement, this session will explore opportunities for other awards and recognition for Scouts and Scout Leaders alike. Recognition beyond the badge is available for youth in all program levels.
- GS05** ***Scoutbook – The Future of Advancement***
What is Scoutbook? Who has access? How do you use it effectively? This session will review the newest advancement tool available to Scout and Scouter alike, introduce the capabilities and instruct you in using this method in reporting Scout advancement in this digital age. Discussion regarding the new advancement portal – **Internet Advancement 2.0** – will also be included.
- GS07** ***Flag Etiquette and Flag Ceremonies (V)***
Scouting offers many opportunities to learn about our country, its history and its customs. Flag etiquette and respect for the symbol of our country are on display during every Scout meeting and event. How do we impart this knowledge to our Scouts so that they in turn show the proper respect? How can we include ceremonies that display this basic respect during campouts? Come and learn how flags can be displayed and respected at every event you plan.
- GS08** ***Games, Games, Games (V)***
Lord Baden Powell, the founder of the Scouting movement, loved to say, “Scouting is a game with a purpose.” Games can be used in many ways and to teach many things. Come learn how to administer games with a purpose and have a lot of fun doing so.
- GS09** ***Integrating Outdoor Ethics Into Your Program Plans (V)***
Scouting and the outdoors go hand in hand. Our Outdoor Code defines the principles that have guided our own outdoor culture for decades. In this session, you will explore how to include actions and activities into your own outdoor program and guide your Scouts toward earning the Outdoor Ethics Awareness awards available.
- GS10** ***Duty to God (V)***
A Scout is reverent. On my honor, I will...do my duty to God. The BSA has maintained since inception the acknowledgement of a higher being guiding us in our journey here on earth. There are many religions out there, and Scouting recognizes that a Scout and his or her relationship with their God is an important facet of that Scout’s life. In this session, we will explore the duty a Scout has to their God, and the steps toward attainment of the religious awards available.
- GS11** ***STEM Scouting – Supercharging Scout Learning***
Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics: Today’s Scouts use more technical gadgetry than ever. How does the world work today, and how does this technology apply to their daily lives? How do we go about teaching them all of this new-fangled stuff? What requirements are there for instructing our Scouts in STEM activities? This session will take all the guess-work out of STEM and give you the tools needed to handle STEM learning accurately.

General Studies (continued)

- GS12** ***Conservation and Scouting (V)***
Since 1910, conservation and environmental studies have been an integral part of the Boy Scouts of America. Scouts have rendered distinguished public service by helping to conserve wildlife, energy, forests, soil, and water. Learn how you can foster an attitude of good service towards our environment. The BSA Distinguished Conservation Service Award and the process to earn that prestigious achievement will be discussed.
- GS13** ***Parents – How Do I Get Them Engaged?***
Ever have Scout parents just sitting around at your meetings? Ever show up at a Scout meeting with too many things to do? This class will focus on marrying these two scenarios together and utilizing the New Member Coordinator to better determine the potential available within your Scout parent cadre, and moving toward the “ASK” to get them involved – in some small way.
- GS14** ***Recognizing Your Volunteers – Why KNOT?***
Everyone loves to be recognized for their efforts. Just as the Scouts get recognition that keeps them involved in Scouting, recognition works with Scout Leaders and parents to keep them engaged and enthused about the program. What do all those knots on Leader’s uniforms mean and how are they attained? This session will explore the leader recognition system, what is required and how they are obtained.
- GS19** ***Administration of District and Council Events***
Many Council and District programs are led by volunteers. There are many different aspects to administering these events and programs, from budgeting to promotion to running the actual event. For those working these various events to those wondering “How do I get involved?”, this class will discuss elements relative to managing these programs.
- GS20** ***Scouting on a Budget (V)***
Remembering that keeping the *OUTING* in *SCOUTING* keeps your Scouts actively engaged. But doing so month after month can get expensive. Opportunities to camp and provide that much needed outdoor program on a budget exist. Find them here.
- GS22** ***Navigating My.Scouting (V)***
What is My.Scouting and why do I need to sign up on it? What's there for us as Scout Leaders and where do we find it? Come and learn your way around the My.Scouting program and app to enable you to get the most out of this tool.
- GS24** ***Making Time for Recharter***
What is recharter? How is it administered and what is required? All units do it – annually. Recharter time does not have to be scary or overwhelming. With a little knowledge and preparation, recharter can be completed easily and in fairly short order. This session is designed to offer Unit Leaders the necessary information to aid in ensuring the annual recharter can be completed as painlessly as possible.
- GS25** ***STEM in Action***
So you have an idea what STEM is. But how can you use STEM concepts to inject fun into your den, pack, or troop program and potentially inspire your Scouts? This session is intended to be a hands-on and active to enable participants to understand that starting the STEM learning process doesn't have to be scary or overly involved.

College of Commissioners Science

NOTE: The College of Commissioner Science is the highest form of commissioner education available at the local level. The College of Commissioner Science program was created by the BSA and is modeled after college courses and degrees. A Scouting Commissioner has the opportunity to earn a Bachelor, Master, and Doctorate degree by attending the College and satisfying the prerequisites and requirements. They may also take courses as part of a continuing education program.

The purpose of the College of Commissioner Science program is to provide ongoing practical training for all Commissioners to allow them to better serve their units.

Bachelors Degree Requirements

Prerequisites: Current registration as a Commissioner
Current BSA Youth Protection Training Certificate
Completion of “Commissioner Basic Training”

Course Requirements: Completion of seven (7) classes, with at least five (5) of the classes at the Bachelors program level.

Bachelors Level Courses

BCS101 Core Concepts of Commissioners Service

The position of commissioner is one of the oldest in Scouting. This course reviews and reinforces the core concepts of unit service and identifies the key skills needed for commissioners to be able to assess the units they serve.

BCS102 The Charter Renewal Process

Chartered organizations must submit an application to local councils annually to renew their charters. This fosters a formal, timely plan for regular dialogue between the chartered organizations and BSA, and assures membership is current so Scouts can participate in Scouting activities and advance in rank. Commissioners participate in and support the timely, error-free completion of the renewal.

BCS105 Resolving Common Unit Problems.

This course will build the commissioner’s knowledge of the early warning signs of a unit in danger of failing as well as group discussions about how to support problem-solving of some common issues.

BCS107 Journey to Excellence

JTE is the BSA’s tool for helping leaders plan their program, monitor progress and assess their Scouting success. Scouting success takes many forms, and JTE success employs a “balanced scorecard” as a result. The standards enable both large Scout units and small ones to succeed — as long as they provide good Scouting to youth.

BCS114 Understanding and Communicating with Today’s Leaders

We, as commissioners, need to understand the differences in relating to the generations involved in scouting and inclusiveness. As commissioners we can embrace the differences and similarities to make the scouting program stronger. A lack of understanding across generations can have detrimental effects on communication and relationships. In this session we are going to focus on how these new generations are affecting the BSA and how the BSA can target the Gen Xers and Millennials.

College of Commissioners Science (continued)

Masters Degree Requirements

Prerequisites:	Current registration as a Commissioner Current BSA Youth Protection Training Certificate Earned Arrowhead Honor Completion of Bachelors Degree, or have been awarded the Commissioner's Key
Course Requirements:	Completion of seven (7) additional classes for a total of fourteen (14), with at least seven (7) classes at the Masters program level.

Masters Level Courses

- MCS304** ***Commissioner Service for Units at Risk***
The purpose of the class is to give you some tool to identify units that are at risk as well as tools to approach a unit at risk where there is minimal information and you are there to re-
vive or save the unit.
- MCS305** ***Resolving Critical Issues***
The purpose of this course is to hone the commissioner's skills in evaluating units, deter-
mining their strengths and weaknesses, and in developing plans to improve the function-
ing of the unit. It was developed to be a case study course with case studies for each type
of unit.
- MCS309** ***Good Commissioners Need Both Head and Heart***
This course will highlight how the servant leadership concept is carried out in the
commissioner service.
- MCS315** ***Effective Unit Service in Rural Communities (Keynote Topic)***
In this course, participants will learn about the characteristics of a rural community and
how to work with a rural community to maintain an effective unit.
- MCS357** ***Long Distance Roundtables***
This course will provide an understanding of the current resources available to enhance
long distance roundtables.

College of Commissioners Science (continued)

Doctorate Degree Requirements

Note: *Earning the Doctorate of Commissioner Science Degree does not automatically qualify you to receive the Doctorate of Commissioner Service Knot Award.*

- Prerequisites: Current registration as a Commissioner
Current BSA Youth Protection Training Certificate
Completion of Masters Degree
Have been awarded the Commissioner's Key
- Course Requirements: Completion of ten (10) additional classes for a total of twenty-four (24), with at least five (5) of the classes at the Doctorate or Continuing Education program level. Classes may **not** have previously been counted toward other college degrees.
- Thesis or Project: It is recommended that the topic of a project or thesis be directly related to unit service. There may be specific circumstances under which a topic related to another area of Scouting would be appropriate. Local councils have the authority to approve topics related to another area of Scouting when selecting one directly related to unit service isn't appropriate or practical. The council commissioner or designee may authorize an alternate topic. This can be on any topic related to Commissioner Service.
- The topic must be pre-approved by the college of commissioner science committee.
- Complete the thesis/project using the approved format as determined by the college.
- The topic and final paper must be approved by the doctoral review committee.
- All segments (proposal, proposal acceptance, thesis/project completion, thesis acceptance) of the degree must be approved by the college of commissioner science.
- Commissioner Performance: Serve for at least one year on the college of commissioner science staff (instructor or support staff), or work with training support for commissioners for at least one year.

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Doctorate Level Courses

- DCS501** ***Selecting Your Project or Thesis Topic***
This session assists doctoral candidates in selecting their project or thesis concept
- DCS502** ***Limiting the Scope the Topic***
Doctoral candidates explore various procedures to reduce their topic to a workable size. A suggested approval process will also be shared.
- DCS503** ***Developing Your Project or Thesis***
This session covers the project/thesis outline and a variety of suggestions for writing and revising the report.
- DCS504** ***Project / Thesis Open Workshop Forum***
This Q & A open forum provides doctoral candidates an opportunity to review completed projects and theses instilling confidence that this task is attainable.

Continuing Education Courses for Commissioners

- CED716** ***Conflict Resolution for Commissioners***
Conflict arises from differences. It occurs whenever people disagree over their values, motivations, perceptions, ideas, or desires. Sometimes these differences look trivial, but when a conflict triggers strong feelings, a deep personal need is at the core of the problem, a need to feel safe and secure, a need to feel respected and valued.
- CED720** ***Commissioner's Introduction to Valuing Diversity***
The purpose of this course is to increase knowledge and general understanding of diversity issues without making value judgments or calling into question peoples' religious, cultural, or political beliefs and affiliations.

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