

2019 University of Scouting Catalog



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Sustaining the EDGE

Fellow Scouts and Scouters,

On behalf of the Greater Alabama Council, we would like to welcome you to the University of Scouting! Our faculty, staff, and administration have put together an amazing program this year with many relevant and useful courses to choose from. We know you will both gain knowledge and learn skills to take back to your units; you will likely meet some new Scouting friends as well!

Our primary objective of the University of Scouting is to offer training from adult and youth leaders who have been in your shoes and can give you the benefit of their experience. Very little of what we teach at this event is available online or through training at the district level. The University of Scouting is a unique annual opportunity with information and resources to help both adults and youth improve and enhance their Scouting programs.

If you have never attended a University of Scouting, then 2019 is the year to begin! Please take time to browse each college and school's offerings, even if you think there may be nothing there for you. Whether you are interested in learning how to plan a campfire program, getting some ideas to add sparkle to your den meetings, experiencing some high adventure cooking, or even pursuing a Scouting degree, there is something in it for you! After all, we owe it to our Scouts to keep "Sustaining the EDGE"!

We would like to thank all of those involved who are making the 2019 University of Scouting the best that it can be. Our Deans have worked hard to plan excellent courses and recruit the best instructors possible. Our instructors are passionate about Scouting and about improving the program for our youth, and it shows in the way they deliver the program. Our administrative staff has worked for months making sure those things we all take for granted are working for us when we arrive.

We would also like to extend our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to our Scout Professional, Seth Hill, our Council Training Chairman, Wayne Jackson, and our Scout Executive, JT Dabbs, for their support, dedication, and service. Of course, you cannot have a good program without a location. We greatly appreciate Jefferson State Community College for once again making this awesome venue available to us.

We look forward to seeing you in September!

Jim Charlton
Chancellor

Ron Moore
Associate Chancellor for Instruction

University of Scouting Highlights

There are number of items at University of Scouting that we want to highlight for you.

- 👑 The lunch program is the same as 2018- you must pre-order a box lunch for pick-up; no additional lunches will be available for purchase. Don't worry, if you forget to pre-order a lunch, there are many fast-food restaurants that are convenient to the campus.
- 👑 As we started in 2017, the cooking classes now have a fee to cover the costs of the supplies.

Calling all NYLT Graduates:

Have you ever wanted to serve on staff for an NYLT course? Well....

Open interviews for NYLT youth staff will be conducted during

University of Scouting.

Prepare a three minute presentation on a topic of your choice that demonstrates your ability to use the EDGE Method, then come to the Midway at University of Scouting for a personal interview.

You may be just the staff member we need!

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2019 University of Scouting

General Information

What is the University of Scouting? University of Scouting is an annual council-wide training event designed to provide more in-depth study than can be provided in the basic training courses offered for the various leadership positions. This is accomplished through the use of experienced leaders offering a large number of single-topic courses varying in length from one to three hours. The courses are offered in eight distinct colleges and schools:

 The four colleges are aimed at teaching skills to adult and youth leaders within core degree programs. They are self-explanatory and based on the part of the BSA program that the adult or youth is focused on.

- College of Cub Scouting
- College of Scouts BSA (with courses for Scouting age youth)
- College of Venturing (both adult and youth)
- College of Commissioner Science

 The four schools teach courses that address a broader cross-section of skills that are applicable across different programs. These courses are open to both adult and youth as indicated in the individual course descriptions in the catalog.

- School of Training - Going beyond Basic Leader Specific Training with training that may apply to many Leaders no matter their type of unit.
- School of High Adventure - Geared towards aiding leaders in various outdoor skills or high adventure that they can use to supplement their program. Keeping the outing is Scouting
- School of Leadership - Concentrated on developing leadership within your unit at all levels
- School of Administration and Technology - Focused on helping run the business side of a Scouting unit. Primary audience is Committee Chairs and Members, but it is all good stuff for all leaders to know.

The GAC Training Committee has approved a degree program developed by the University of Scouting Staff, and based upon the nationally approved degree program for the College of Commissioner Science, that allows Scouts and Scouters to earn degrees in each area. The degrees offered are Associate (for youth member only), Bachelor, Master, and Doctorate in each of the four Colleges: Cub Scouting, Scouts BSA, Venturing, and Commissioner Science. The degree requirements vary, but include a combination of basic & advanced training outside the University of Scouting classes from the University of Scouting and other activities for each degree. They are designed to ensure that each leader, as he or she advances through the requirements, becomes more proficient and well-rounded as a Scout leader. The specific degree requirements are explained in detail later in this catalog.

How do I register to attend University of Scouting? Information about University of Scouting should be provided to you at your district roundtables starting in May of each

year. Online registration and payment can be accomplished at www.1bsa.org. Online registration is the preferred method of registration. If you are unable to do online registration, paper registration forms will be available from your District Executives, at the two Council Service Centers, and at www.1bsa.org. Even if you register online, the paper registration form is useful in helping you plan the courses you want to register for.

What is the schedule for University of Scouting 2019?

7:30 – 9:00 am	Registration
8:15 am	Opening Ceremony
9:00 – 9:50 am	Course Period 1
10:00 – 10:50 am	Course Period 2
11:00 – 11:50 am	Course Period 3
12:00 – 12:50 pm	Course Period 4
1:00 – 1:50 pm	Course Period 5
2:00 – 2:50 pm	Course Period 6
3:00 – 3:50 pm	Course Period 7
4:00 pm	Closing Ceremony

Lunch will be available during course periods 3 and 4.

During Period 3, Ron Moore, GAC Council Commissioner, will hold a Commissioners' meeting for all registered or interested commissioners. Commissioners can eat lunch during this period, or period 4, since there will be no College of Commissioner classes during periods 3 & 4.

How do I use this Catalog? The remainder of this catalog is divided into three major sections:

- I. Course Descriptions
- II. Degree Programs & Requirements
- III. Degree Applications and Forms

The Course Description section contains a listing of all courses that are offered by the University of Scouting along with a very brief description and the length of each course. Not all the courses listed are offered in the current year's program, but are listed here so that you can see all the descriptions and plan a multi-year course of study. In general, it is the goal of this University to ensure that each course is offered at least once every three years.

The final two sections of this catalog, Degree Program and Requirements and Degree Applications and Forms, contains specific information and applications for each degree offered and a Transfer of Course Credits form for students who may have taken University of Scouting classes in other Councils.

Specific University of Scouting information, as to location, times, class schedules, and cost are provided in the registration information. The paper registration form is generally available concurrently with the online system in May. The preferred method of registration is the online system.

I. 2019 Course Descriptions

College of Cub Scouting Courses

Courses that are list in *grayed-italic* type are not being offered in 2019.

- CS-101 Cub Scout Games: Games are a great way to help Cubs learn many things. It might be sportsmanship, or a new skill. This class will help you to learn new games to teach your Cubs and keep them entertained. (1 hr) Adult
- CS-102 Cub Scout Basic Crafts: Learn to take basic and common items and create great crafts. Teach the Cubs they do not need to spend a lot of money, “a Scout is Thrifty,” to have a great time. (1 hr) Adult
- CS-104 Den Dynamics: Put a little flair into your den meetings. This class will give you ideas of how to do that. 1 hr Adult.*
- CS-105 Songs, Stunts, and Sparklers: Learn the silly songs, different applause’s, audience participation and silly run-ons that all Cubs really enjoy. How to use songs, stunts, and sparklers as fillers. 1 hr Adult.
- CS-106 Den and Pack Ceremonies. Do you have a Pack meeting that lacks pizzazz? Just don’t hand out those awards; create a little magic and excitement. Make those award ceremonies lively so that the youth will want to advance and participate. 1 hr Adult.
- CS-108 Webelos Program. Learn how to keep the youth in the Webelos program so that they are ready and willing to enter the Scouting program. It is important that the program be well-planned so that the youth are excited about going on the trail to Eagle. 2 hrs Adult.
- CS-109 Lion Cub Program. Learn about the new Lion Cub program for youth in Kindergarten. 1 hr Adult.*
- CS-110 Spicing Up Pack Meetings. Do you have a Pack meeting that lacks pizzazz? Come to this class and get great ideas how to kick up that meeting so that families want to be present. 1 hr Adult.
- CS-111 Den Leader. New for 2016. Are you a first time Den Leader? Want to get some ideas on how to run a successful den? Come get some great ideas and advice from someone who has been there! 1 hr Adult*
- CS-112 Cub Scout Woodcrafts. Get out your saws and tools and take those scraps of wood and create something that is useful or just great looking. 2hrs Adult.
- CS-113 Nature Activities. Get Scouts away from the TV and video games and take them on a nature hike or some other activity where they can have fun and learn something new. Keep the “outing” in Scouting. 1 hr Adult.
- CS-114 Cooking with Cubs. Learn new ways to amaze the Scouts with neat cooking ideas. Teach them to cook with cans sticks and maybe even a clay flowerpot. there is an additional \$5 fee for this course 1 hr Adult.*
- CS-117 Special Activities and Tours. Tired of the same old sites? This class will help you add a little spice on your trips etc. We have a large area within our council

- that many people don't get around to see. Attend this class and find out where these sites are. 1 hr Adult.
- CS-118 Nature Crafts. What to do with those seashells and feathers and leaves that seem to multiply. This class will give you ideas of what to do with them and help Cubs learn. 1 hr Adult.
- CS-119 Blue and Gold Banquets. Come to this class and learn all the different ways to celebrate the birthday of Scouting. 1 hr Adult.
- CS-120 Den Discipline. Disruption at a den or pack meeting cannot be tolerated so it is important that rules are set down and followed. This class will help you find the best way to set these rules. 1 hr Adult.
- CS-121 Outdoor Activities. All Scouts want to be outdoors and this class will help you plan a program that will give them the very best. Learn the rules and regulations for these activities so you can plan a safe and exciting activity 1 hr Adult.
- CS-125 *First Time Family Camping. Cub Scouting is a great way for families to get together and have a little fun. Family camping is a great start in a young Scout's scouting adventure. 1 hr Adult.*
- CS-126 *Cub Scout Magic. Learning, performing and even watching magic is not just fun, but has been proven to be one of the best ways of developing discipline and confidence in Cubs. Learn easy illusions to teach Cubs for their advancements and beyond using common objects like rope, napkins and even a neckerchief. 1 hr Adult.*
- CS-127 *Neckerchief Slides. Be creative and save those slides for uniform inspections. Create slides that tell the theme of the month, the mascot of the Den or whatever your mind comes up for those everyday meetings. 1 hr Adult.*
- CS-128 Skits: Lights, Camera, Action! Make stars out of your Cub Scouts at Pack meetings and campfires with simple, fun skits using easy props that require little time and preparation. 1 hr Adult.
- CS-130 *Cub Scout Science. Get your Cubs excited about science! Learn how to confidently lead your youth through the science advancements, electives and more. 1 hr Adult.*
- CS-132 *Cub Scout Awards Beyond the Badge: The Cub Scout program is more than rank advancement! Learn about the Family Program, Summertime Pack Award, National Den Award, Crime Prevention Award, Outdoor Activity Award, Good Turn for America and many more. 1 hr Adult.*
- CS-134 Cub Conservation & LNT: Take your youth out of the meeting room. Learn the Outdoor Code, Leave No Trace principles and resources for conservation projects. Teach the Cub Scouts about conservation and learn how to earn the World Conservation and Cub Scout Leave No Trace Awards. 1 hr Adult.
- CS-135 Planning a Bike Rodeo A bike rodeo can be a great way to teach bike safety to your Cub Scouts — and to promote Scouting in your community. Learn how to plan and coordinate this fun activity for your Pack. 1 hr Adult.

- CS-138 Increasing Parental Involvement. Have your Den Meetings become a babysitting service? This course will help you increase the number of parents involved in your pack (which might lead to more registered leaders). 1 hr Adult.
- CS-139 Pack Planning for the Whole year. Ease your mind! This course covers how to plan your pack activities for the whole year. 1 hr Adult.
- CS-141 *Derby Fun Boats, Cars & Rockets: How to plan and run derbies for the pack. Make it fun for the Cub Scouts. 2 hr Adult.*
- CS-146 Whittlin' Chip & Knife Safety. Scouts like to carry knives! Learn how to teach basic knife safety for Cubs and how to teach the requirements for Scouts to earn the Whittlin' Chip. Also discuss simple projects. Bring a pocket knife 1 hr Adult.
- CS-147 Arrow of Light. Learn about the Cub Scouts highest award, the requirements, how to hold meaningful ceremonies, where to get items for Cub Scouts. 1 hr Adult.
- CS-148 *Leather Crafts for Cubs. Leather Crafts for Cubs: Learn safe and fun leather project for Cub Scouts. Learn what tools and materials are needed for age appropriate Cub Scout projects. 1 hr Adult.*
- CS-150 Cubs Shooting Sports. Shooting sports are exciting and fun for Scouts of all ages, and our Cub Scout and Webelos day camps and resident camps are just around the corner. Become properly trained on how to operate a safe shooting sports program for Cub Scouts and receive your certification. 3 hr Adult.
- CS-201 Using a Den Chief: Learn how Packs and Troops work together to implement a Den Chief Program, how a den chief can help a den leader with planning and executing a well planned den meeting, and .(1 hr) Adult.
- CS-401 *Webelos to Scout transition for Webelos Leaders. (Dual with BCS 119) Webelos Den Leaders learn about the transition from Cub Scouts to Scouting and what you can do during the Webelos years to make that transition smooth. An emphasis on transitioning from Arrow of Light will be included. 1 hr Adult.*
- CS-411 *This course will cover special topics. 2018 topic will be Girls in Scouting. We will have an overview of the new programs, uniforms, and ways to incorporate into units. 1 hr. Adult*

College of Scouts BSA Courses

Courses that are listed in *grayed-italic* type are not being offered in 2019.

- SC-101 Effective Troop Committee Support. Two or three gathered together does not a troop committee make. Make yours vital. 1 hr Adult.
- SC-102 Troop Meeting Plan Troop Meeting Plan = FUN! How to plan fun and productive meetings. 1hr Adult.
- SC-103 How a Youth-led Troop Works. Learn the basics of how a youth-led troop works and the role and Scoutmasters, Assistant Scoutmasters, Committee members, and parents 1hr Adult/Youth.
- SC-106 New Scout Patrol / Advancement. Now you've just gained New Scouts! Find out why a separate program is so important for your New Scouts. 1 hr Adult/Youth.
- SC-109 Basic Knots, Lashings, & Camp Gadgets. Learn to tie basic knots and lashings and how to use them to make useful camp gadgets. 1 hr Adult/Youth.
- SC-118 Scout Spirit: What is it? Why is it important? How do you get it? How do you pass it on to your Scouts? 1 hr Adult/Youth.
- SC-119 Service Projects Ideas. Service projects in the church and the community for units and Eagle Scout project will be discussed. 1 hr Adult/Youth.
- SC-123 Challenging and retaining older scouts. What do you do to keep older scouts engaged in your unit? This course will provide you practical ideas to engage older scouts and help them stay active with your unit. Adult
- SC-135 Strengthen Your Troop Through the OA Order of the Arrow. What is it and what is its purpose? Who started it, how did it start and where did it start? How is it organized and how does it fit into the Scouting program? Learn all about the OA. From service projects to camping, promotions to additional older scout opportunities and retention, learn what to OA has to offer and do from your troop. 1 hr Adult/Youth.
- SC-137 Crew and Troop: Partnering to Keep Older Youth Active. How can you create a scouting program that recognizes the desire of older youth to take on higher adventure activities? A great way is partnering troops with crews. This course will show you how to develop a strong network between two different kinds of units, focusing on youth development and retention. 1 hr Adult/Youth.
- SC-143 How to Conduct a Board of Review. "How-To" class for the Troop Committee for Boards of Review - validating the experience of advancing Scouts and helping Scouts who are not advancing. 1 hr Adult.
- SC-146 Skills for Integrating Girls into Scouts BSA. A discussion focused on the successes and pitfalls experienced from the first 6 months since integrating girls into Scouts BSA.
- SC-147 Skills for Running a BIG Troop. How to handle a growing troop, from fund-raising to equipment to expanded leadership opportunities, including logistics of summer camp and other outdoor activities. 1 hr Adult/Youth.

- SC-148 Skills for Running a SMALL Troop. Delegating with limited resources, how to deal with transportation challenges, keeping advancement alive and other issues of a small troop. 1 hr Adult/Youth.
- SC-151 Scoutmaster's Minute. How to end a meeting on a serious note. Learn new ideas and revisit old ones. 1 hr Adult.
- SC-176 Scouting Advancement using the Guide to Advancement. Learn how to use the Guide to Advancement to ensure that you are implementing the BSA Advancement Policies correctly. 1hr Adult.
- SC-177 Troop Resources and Administration. Troops have many resources to draw from in order to put on a successful program for the Scouts. Learn to identify what resources are needed and where they can be found as well as the administrative requirements of a troop. 1 hr Adult/Youth.
- SC-179 Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops. Ideas and information on how to conduct an Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops session to train your troop and its leaders. 1 hr Adult/Youth.

College of Venturing Courses

Courses that are listed in *grayed-italic* type are not being offered in 2019.

- VS-107 *Issues Concerning Coed Venturing Crews. A discussion of the dynamics and challenges of a coed crew. 1 hr Adult/Youth.*
- VS-108 How to Conduct a Crew ILSC Course. Learn, in a hands-on approach, how to lead your Crew through the Introduction to Leadership Skills for Crews Course. 1 hr Adult/Youth.
- VS-109 Venturing By Laws, What Should They Include? A discussion on the elements required and/ or desired to support the crew. 1 hr Adult/Youth.
- VS-110 Who Runs the Venturing Crew? How does Venturing differ from Scouting? Who is in charge? Why? 1 hr Adult/Youth.
- VS-111 Venturing Recognitions. A review of the Core and Elective requirements for the Venturing, Pathfinder, Discovery, and Summit Awards. 1 hr Adult/Youth.
- VS-114 Positioning Venturing as a Resource. Not everyone realizes that advancement in Venturing requires youth leaders to teach what they have learned. Can your unit (pack, den, team, or troop) or Round Table take advantage of possible teaching opportunities provided by Venturing youth? 1 hr Adult/Youth.
- VS-117 *From the Front Line. Panel discussion with Venturing Advisors and Youth leaders regarding how best to have a great Venturing program for your youth 1 hr Adult/Youth.*
- VS-122 How to Find a Consultant. Consultants bring the Venturing program to life. Learn what makes a good consultant and where to look for them. 1 hr Adult/Youth.
- VS-123 How to Run a Successful (and Fun) Youth Led Crew Meeting (to include Team Building games and COPE opportunities). Learn how to keep Crew meetings productive and entertaining so that your High School Youth will find time to attend. 2 hrs Adult/Youth.
- VS-124 *Program Opportunities for Older Youth. An overview of Varsity Scouts, Venturing and Venture Patrols, and Sea Scout programs and how they fit in the overall Scouting program. 1hr Adult/Youth.*
- VS-129 *Venturing: A Growing Program. National is currently doing a lot of re-vamping to the Venturing program and a lot of changes are soon to come. There are also several new resources for Venturers to use for their program and to help grow the program. This class will cover all of the soon coming changes to the Venturing program and award system and allow participants the opportunity to get their questions answered. 1 hr Adult/Youth.*
- VS-250 So You're a Crew Officer - Now What? Ideas and expectations about taking leadership of your crew, taught by successful Venturing crew leaders. 1 hr Adult/Youth.
- VS-252 Have a Great Program. Venturing Resources and Opportunities. What does it take to have your Crew thrive and grow? How do you keep the Youth coming back for more? Learn what works and how to implement it. 1 hr Adult/Youth.

VS-254 Beyond Your Crew- Opportunities with Other Crews and Council. Learn the benefits of partnering with other crews and hosting events for other crews in your area. Also, learn what the Venturing Officer's Association is all about. 1 hr Adult/Youth.

College of Commissioner Science Courses

Courses that are listed in *grayed-italic* type are not being offered in 2019.

BCS-101 Core Concepts of Commissioner Service: The position of commissioner is one of the oldest in Scouting. This course reviews and reinforces the commissioner core concepts and identifies the key skills needed for commissioner to be able to assess the units they serve. (1 hr).

BCS-102 Supporting Timely Charter Renewal: Chartered organizations must submit an application to Council annually to renew its charter. This fosters a formal, timely plan for regular dialogue between the chartered organization and BSA, and assures membership is current so Scouts can participate in Scouting activities and advance in rank. Commissioners support the timely, error-free completion of the renewal. (1 hr)

BCS-103 Linking District Resources: Although commissioners are viewed as very knowledgeable and capable individuals, a key part of their job is to actually point a unit in the direction of the actual process owner for the topic in question. Many of those topics have a process owner on the local District Committee who has ready access to further resources and wisdom. (1 hr).

BCS-104 Contacting Units: This course examines the role of contacts between commissioners and their units. (1 hr).

BCS-105 Resolving Common Unit Issues: The unit commissioner's goal in supporting a unit is to discover strengths and needs, and to help the unit improve. Some issues are common, and can be resolved readily. (1 hr).

BCS-106 Coaching Leaders: In this course, a commissioner will become familiar with the new Coaching Model and how to use it to better serve their units. (1 hr).

BCS-107 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. (1 hr).

BCS-108 Mining Internet Resources: Commissioners are asked many questions and assumed to be experts on everything. Although they may wish to be an expert, knowing where to find information *can* make them a virtual expert. In this course we will concentrate not on the local "who do you call" but on using the internet, in effect, mining internet resources. (1 hr).

BCS-109 The Essential Element (A Servant's Heart): In 1970, Robert Greenleaf introduced the term "servant leadership." He wrote an essay titled "The Servant as Leader" that was later expanded into a book. At the end of this training, a commissioner will be able to: Define the characteristics of servant leadership; Understand a servant's heart; and Apply this concept in commissioner service. (1 hr).

BCS-112 Recruiting New Commissioners: One of the duties in your role as the district commissioner as part of the District Key 3 is to recruit, train, guide, and evaluate the required commissioner personnel of the district. District commissioners take ownership of the district team of commissioners to ensure that all units are well cared for throughout the year. This course will focus on recruiting. (1 hr).

- BCS-114 Understanding & Communicating with Today's Leaders: We, as commissioners, need to understand the differences in relating to generations involved in scouting and inclusiveness. As commissioners, we can embrace the differences and similarities to make the scouting program stronger. (1 hr).*
- BCS-116 Collaborative Assessments. How to conduct an action-planning meeting with a unit using the unit self-assessment tools and the guidelines for the action planning process. (1hr) Adult*
- BCS-117 Commissioner & Unit Key 3:** In this course, we examine the roles of the unit key 3 and how commissioners work and coach each. (1 hr).
- BCS-150 Roundtable Commissioner Service:** An effective roundtable is vital to the success of all commissioner service. This course reviews and reinforces how roundtables fit into the commissioner service structure by providing roundtable services to unit leaders. (1 hr) Adult
- BCS-151 The Roundtable Commissioner Team: An effective roundtable commissioner team is vital to the success of all roundtables. The roundtable commissioner team organization is as simple as it needs to be in a small district and can be a more complex organization in a larger district. It is important that all members of the commissioner roundtable team understand the unique position of roundtable in the Scouting world. Roundtable provides a different method of unit service, but it is just as important. Roundtable also supplements unit commissioner efforts by the program support it provides. (1 hr) Adult*
- BCS-152 The Year Round Roundtable Planning Process & Promotion:** In this course, the participants will be learning how to plan a year roundtable program to best serve the units in their districts. They will also discuss how to promote Roundtables to the units they serve. (1 hr) Adult
- BCS-153 Roundtable & Commissioner Tools:** In this course, the participants will learn how to use the roundtable tab on Commissioner Tools. They will also learn to create power pivot-table reports. For a participant to be fully engaged in the course they need to have a computer to be able to access Commissioner Tools (1 hr) Adult
- BCS-154 Cub Scout Roundtables:** Cub Scout Roundtables is normally the first district event that a new leader attends. Focused on FUN and giving new and seasoned leaders “the will to do, and the skill to do” is important not only for the leaders but for the youth they bring the information back to. This course extends the learning material from Roundtable Basic. To learn more about the nuances of the Cub Scout Roundtable make sure to take MCS 353 - The Cub Scout Breakout. (1 hr) Adult
- BCS-155 Scout Roundtables:** Scout roundtables provide scout leaders with the resources they need to provide a better program in their unit. However, it becomes very easy to forget that roundtable is not just a place to visit friends in other units and rehash war stories of the good ol’ days. It is also important for everyone to remember the youth that run the unit and that the information gets back to the unit. The Scout roundtable should always be working with new and experienced unit leaders to help provide “the will to do, and the skill to do.” This course extends the learning material from Roundtable Basic. To

learn more about the nuances of the Scout roundtable make sure to take
MCS 354 - The Scouting Breakout Session. (1 hr) Adult

BCS-156 Recruiting, Training & Recognizing the Roundtable Team: Properly recruiting, training and recognizing the roundtable team is vital to the success of all roundtables. One of the duties in the role as the district commissioner is to recruit, train, guide, and evaluate the required commissioner personnel of the district. (1 hr) Adult

MCS-302 On-Time Charter Renewal: Annually, sponsoring organizations and units apply to BSA for a new charter to deliver the Scouting program. This process validates youth membership and qualified leaders, confirms agreement to follow BSA policies, and collects registration fees. District commissioners must lead these activities which may engage volunteers who are inexperienced or unfamiliar with BSA procedures. This session explores leadership techniques to prepare, guide, and support units in completing accurate charter renewal applications on-time. (1 hr).

MCS-303 Managing Unit Service at the District Level: In this course, we will review how commissioner tools can assist commissioners working at the district level understand how their units and commissioners are performing. (1 hr)

MCS-304 Commissioner Service for Units at Risk: In this course, indicators of units at risk, approaches for investigating units reported to be at risk and resolving the issues that have put the unit at risk are discussed. (1 hr).

MCS-305 Resolving Critical Issues: The course will consist of a short discussion of what is required for a detailed assessment and for a unit service plan and then they will be broken up into groups to read a scenario and write a detailed assessment and a unit service plan for that scenario. (1 hr).

MCS-306 Mentoring Skills: The course will discuss the new mentoring model, differences of coaching and mentoring and how it applies to commissioner service. (1 hr).

MCS-307 Commissioner Service for Newly Formed Units: In this course, a commissioner will learn the role of a new-unit commissioner and become familiar with working side by side with a new unit organizer. (1 hr).

MCS 309 Good Commissioners Need Both Head and Heart: Includes great reflections for experienced commissioners. Take home thought-provoking tips and anecdotes. (1 hr).

MCS-311 All About the ADCs Role: This course focuses on the purpose of the assistant district commissioner role and how it benefits commissioner services. (1 hr).

MCS-312 Recruiting A Commissioner Team: This course discusses the recruiting vision; reviews the various commissioner roles; reviews the 5 Ps of recruiting; explains the Skill, Thrill, Ill and Kill of recruiting; know the when, where and why of recruiting; and review some recruiting tips. (1 hr).

MCS-313 Onboarding New Commissioners: Explain why we onboard commissioners; Discuss what is included in onboarding process; Review the onboarding process for new Commissioners. (1 hr).

MCS-314 The Commissioner & the Professional: learn more about the relationship between the commissioner and the professional. How can they work closely together to reach a common goal of providing quality service to units? What can the professional do to help the volunteer accomplish their goals and what

can the commissioners do to help the professional accomplish their goals and fulfil their critical achievements? (1 hr).

MCS-315 Effective Unit Service in Rural Communities: Rural communities are different than urban ones and have their challenges and opportunities for scouting. (1 hr).

MCS-316 Developing the Unit Service Plan: The course is designed to provide understanding of the various components comprising a detailed unit health assessment, identify arising problems and issues, and develop a successful unit service plan based on the outcome of a thorough, collaborative, detailed unit health assessment. (1 hr).

MCS-350 Unit and Roundtable Commissioners Working Together: This course will provide an opportunity to see how all the members of the commissioner corps in a district help units identify and resolve their problems. (1 hr)

MCS-351 How to Conduct the Annual Planning Session: An effective roundtable annual plan is vital to the success of all roundtables. Every district and council should have an annual roundtable plan. This course will discuss annual roundtable planning in your district or council. (1 hr)

MCS-352 Roundtable is Over, Now What: The course will discuss the concept that roundtable is not over when the last chair is put away. There are things that need to be completed to help get ready for the next roundtable. There are also items that need to be acted on, to help units with their problems. Letting them go until later often means they don't get done at all. (1 hr)

MCS-353 The Cub Scout Breakout: This course will provide an understanding of the need to have specific cub scout interest topics and materials to address the unique problems and challenges that cub scout leaders have implementing their program. (1 hr)

MCS 354 The Scouting Breakout: The Scouting breakout session focuses on the needs of troop leaders and helps them solve their problems. The scout breakout session should help adult leaders learn scout skills as needed to help their youth leaders plan and run the troop program. (1 hr)

*MCS 355 Using the ADC for Roundtables in Your District:
An effective roundtable commissioner team is vital to the success of all roundtables. The assistant district commissioner for roundtables (ADC-RT) needs to understand the unique position of roundtable in the Scouting world. Roundtable provides a different method of unit service, but it is just as important. Roundtable also supplements unit commissioner efforts by the program support it provides. (1 hr).*

MCS-356 Using the ADC for Roundtables in Your Council: The ACC-RT works with each district to help them understand the unique position of roundtable in the scouting world. Roundtable provides a different method of unit service, but it is just as important. Roundtable also supplements unit commissioner efforts by the program support it provides. (1 hr).

MCS-357 Managing Long Distance Roundtables: This course will provide an understanding of the current resources available to enhance long distance roundtables. (1 hr)

- MCS-358 Roundtables and Solving Unit Problems: District roundtables have a unique position to help units and unit leaders solve their problems. A great roundtable team will deliver a quality event that encourages leaders to return each month. (1 hr)
- DCS-501 Selecting Your Project or Thesis Topic: Introduction of the thesis project, discuss what constitutes a good research topic, and help Scouters select their topic. (1 hr).
- DCS-502 Limiting the Scope of Your Topic: Participants receive help in reducing the thesis topic to a workable size and ideas for thesis/project research. (1 hr).
- DCS-503 Developing Your Project or Thesis: This session covers the project/thesis outline and a variety of suggestions for writing and revising the report. (1 hr).
- DCS 504 Project Thesis Open Workshop Forum: This Q and A open forum provides doctoral candidates an opportunity to review completed projects and theses instilling confidence that this task is attainable. (1 hr).
- DCS-506 Coaching for Administrative Commissioners: Coaching is about relationships. It is the ability to listen, to observe, to share, to support and to engage in a way that will help others solve their own problems, grow as individuals and attain their full potential. Coaching is the art of helping others arrive at their conclusions through their own analysis of the situation and facts. (1 hr).*
- DCS-512 Commissioner Recruiting Workshop: This workshop is designed to allow participants the opportunity to practice recruiting commissioners using the "Roster Mining" method. (1 hr).
- DCS-514 Building Meaningful Relationships: Commissioner service is all about relationships. This session suggests ways in which commissioners may go about building and maintaining positive relationships with those they serve. It also discusses possible pitfalls that can undermine relationships. (1 hr).*
- DCS-516 Succeeding with the Unit Service Plan: The Unit Service Plan is the roadmap to unit success. With appropriate guidance the commissioner staff can provide significant unit assistance. The district administrative ADCs will need comprehensive data to set the course for unit success across the district. (1 hr)*

School of Training Courses

Courses listed in *grayed-italic* type are not being offered in 2019.

- TRN-101 Guide to Safe Scouting. This course will provide an overview of the Guide to Safe Scouting - highlighting the significant contents that scout unit leaders need to be aware of. The session will discuss any recent changes and specific local guidance, i.e. tour permits. The presentation will identify where to find the actual information and correct common misconceptions. 1 hr Adult.
- TRN-102 A Learning Vacation and the Philmont Training Center In the wilds of New Mexico there is a classroom - the Philmont Training Center. How to get an invitation, details on schedules, accommodations, family programs, free time activities, etc. 1 hr Adult*
- TRN-103 Teaching First Aid for Scouts and Venturing Crews. Learn how to teach first aid to youth in troops and crews. 1hr Adult/Youth.
- TRN-104 First Aid Fun for Cub Scouts. This is an opportunity for you to learn how to make learning first aid fun. 1 hr. Adult/Youth.
- TRN-105 Flag Etiquette Learn the U.S. Flag Code. Proper flag etiquette and how to treat Old Glory and honor her traditions. 1hr Adult/Youth.
- TRN-106 Campfire Program Ideas. Nothing is more impressive, or is remembered longer, than a dramatic, well planned and executed campfire program. These creative campfire ideas will help you and your Scouts put on a great campfire program creating memories for years to come. 1 hr. Adult/Youth.*
- TRN-107 Rope Pizzazz. Learn fun and interesting ways using the EDGE method to teach about rope and knots. 1 hr. Adult/Youth.
- TRN-108 NOVA Counselor and Supernova Mentor Training. This course will review the current state of the BSA's exciting new STEM/Nova award program and will experience doing and counseling selected Nova Award activities. The Counselor will have an improved understanding of the design of the Nova Awards program and the confidence to work with Scouts earning them. 1 hr. Adult.*
- TRN-109 A Scout is Reverent- Scouting Religious Awards. (Formally taught as BS-178 & UAT-117) Are you interested in learning more about BSA Religious Emblems and Programs of Religious Activities with Youth (P.R.A.Y.). Come to this informative class to learn more about the Scout's Duty to God, how these programs now fit into Scout Requirements. And how to use a Chaplains Aide in the troop and guidance on how to train him to support scout's duty to God during appropriate troop events. 1hr Youth/Adult
- TRN-201 Troop Committee Training and Troop Administration. This class is in-depth to help you have a well-functioning Troop. What is a Troop Committee? Who is on the Committee? What are the committee member's jobs? Help the Scouts have a quality unit so that they get the most out of their time in the program 2 hr Adult
- TRN-202 Pack Committee Training and Pack Administration. This class is in-depth to help you have a well-planned pack. What is a Pack Committee? Who is on the

- Committee? What are the committee member's jobs? Help the Cubs have a quality unit so that they get the most out of their time in the program. 2 hr Adult.
- TRN-203 *Venturing Leader Specific Training. This course is intended to provide Venturing crew Advisors with the basic information they need to help youth leaders manage a crew. The course includes the 2014 updates to Venturing and aligns with the new Venturing leader materials. 4 hr Adult.*
- TRN-204 Merit Badge Counselor Orientation. Have a problem getting merit badge counselors? Did you know merit badge counselors need to be trained? Answers here and more. 1 hr. Adult.
- TRN-205 Charter Organization Representative Training. Basic training for the charter organization representative. Improve the relationship between your unit and your charter institution. Invite your representative to attend this course and accompany her/him. (2 hr Adult.
- TRN-206 Den Chief Training. This class will help you understand what a den chief is and exactly how much they can help you plan and execute a well planned den meeting. Know how that important part of the leadership corps works 3 hr Adult/Youth.
- TRN-207 Scoutmaster/Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific Training. Scoutmaster Position-Specific training, course code S24, is the BSA's initial level of training for the top leaders of Scout troops. It is designed for Scoutmasters, assistant Scoutmasters, and junior assistant Scoutmasters. (Adult) 3 hour). However, committee members and other adults connected to a Scout troop are welcome to attend.
- TRN-209 *How to teach the Scouting Heritage Merit Badge. Are you interested in the history of the Scouts of America? Do you want to know how to create a Merit Badge program that will help your scouts earn this relatively rare Merit Badge while learning that the BSA is not just about Baden Powell and the Seize of Mafeking. This is NOT a merit badge course and while youth cannot complete the MB, they will learn a lot about Scouting Heritage that they can use with their MBC. 1 hr Adult/Youth.*
- TRN-300 Advanced First Aid. Expand on knowledge learned in TRN-301 and be prepared for emergency situations. 2 hrs. Adult/Youth
- TRN-301 Basic First Aid. Learn basic first aid and be prepared for your scouting activities 1 hr Adult/Youth.
- TRN-302 *CPR. Learn CPR and become certified. ADDITIONAL COST of \$20 for Certification card 2 hrs Adult/Youth.*
- TRN-303 *The Fundamentals of Training. This is the first part of the three-part train-the-trainer continuum (T3, or T-Cubed) in the Boy Scouts of America. The course introduces teaching techniques and skills to new Scout trainers but effective training. Intended for both youth and adult trainers, the course will help those who might have trained for other organizations learn the BSA's training techniques, and it will help freshen up the skills of current BSA trainers. This also designed to help all Scouters, regardless of their experience present training programs. 3 hrs Adult/Youth*

TRN-601 Doctorate Degree Option Development Meet your PhD Advisor. Receive overview of the three degree options - (1) thesis, (2) service, or (3) receive out of council training, Develop the plan for your degree option over the next year with your adviser's guidance 1 hr Adult.

School of High Adventure Courses

Courses that are listed in *grayed-italic* type are not being offered in 2019.

- HA-101 National High Adventure Bases and Alternatives to Them. Explore the resources of how to plan an expedition to one, or more, - Philmont, Northern Tier, Florida SeaBase, and the Summit. 1 hr Adult/Youth. (Note: Renumbered from 2015)
- HA-102 Implementing a unit-based High Adventure Program. Youth love high adventure activities such as backpacking, canoeing, mt biking, shooting sports, climbing and rapelling. Get some ideas about how to bring this excitement into your Troop or Crew. 1 hr Adult/Youth. (Note: Renumbered from 2015)
- HA-103 The BSA Shooting Sports Program. Learn how to include shooting sports into your annual planning and how to comply with the latest BSA policies. Learn about the shooting sports Instructor training available in the Council. 1 hr Adult.*
- HA-104 The BSA Climbing Program. Learn how to include climbing, and rappelling activities into your annual planning and how to comply with the latest BSA policies. Learn about the Climbing Instructor training available in the Council. 1 hr Adult.
- HA-105 Introduction to Leave No Trace Camping. Learn why and how to help your unit live the Leave No Trace principles. Course will cover both theory and practical application, including the new POR for Scouts and the council's BSA Green award. 1 hr Adult/Youth.*
- HA-106 Wonders of the Night Sky: Learn about astronomy and how to teach it to the youth in your unit. 1 hr Adult/Youth.
- HA-107 Survival- BSA Style. Learn mental preparedness, first aid, shelter, fire, water, food, signaling, navigation, and a survival kit. 2 hr Adult/Youth.*
- HA-108 Primitive Fire Building. Hands on learning on how to make fire without matches and lighters. 1 hr Adult/Youth.
- HA-109 Backpacking. Gear, techniques places, and everything that makes backpacking the troop outdoor program. 1hr Adult/Youth.
- HA-110 Basic Compass and Orienteering. Learn how to orient a map with a compass, learn how to teach orienteering to your Scouts ad how to prepare a compass course. Bring your own compass. (2 hrs, 1 inside, 1 outside) Adult/Youth.
- HA-111 Powder Horn-Pathway to High Adventure. It is a sampling of High Adventure activities you learn about in the hopes of creating a more exciting scouting program for your youth. Meet some of the staff for GAC Powder Horn, learn about why you need to take this course. 1 hr Adult/Youth.

- HA-112 Hammock Camping. An alternative to traditional tent camping that can be new and fun for your Scouts. How to select a campsite, set up a hammock, and stay warm, all while protecting the environment. Various types of hammocks for different purposes will be discussed. 1 hr Adult/Youth
- HA-113 Geocaching - Using a GPS and Geocaching to Promote Scouting. Learn how GPS can make a campout better, and how to expand your use of GPS for program; includes the BSA Supplemental Training Module - "Geocaching to Promote Scouting". 1 hr (inside and outside) Adult/Youth
- HA-114 Discover Scuba. An introduction to SCUBA equipment, safety and diving. 1 hr Adult/Youth*
- HA-115 Archery. Archery: An introduction to archery under the shooting sports elective. 1 hr Adult/Youth*
- HA-116 Canoes and Kayaks. An introduction to Canoes and Kayaks, safety and techniques and practice 1hr Adult/Youth.
- HA-117 High Adventure Cooking. Sure, Dutch oven cooking is great, but is it really the best idea for a Crew that's planning an extensive trip down the Appalachian Trail? There are plenty of other neat ways that a Crew can plan their meals while reducing clean-up and weight load for a high adventure activity. This class will teach you new, innovative, light ways to eat in high adventure scouting. (NOTE: there is an additional \$5 fee for this course and a limit of 24 per cooking class) 1hr Adult/Youth.
- HA-118 Dutch Oven and Outdoor Cooking. Learn about outdoor cooking using dutch ovens, campfires, and outdoor cooking equipment. Discover that you can make healthy, nutritious, and delicious meals when cooking outdoors. (NOTE: there is an additional \$5 fee for this course and a limit of 24 per cooking class) Outside 2 hr Adult/Youth.
- HA-119 No Utensils Cooking. Learn about outdoor cooking using no utensils. Great skills for backpacking and high adventure camping. (NOTE: there is an additional \$5 fee for this course and a limit of 24 per cooking class) Outside. 2 hr. Adult/Youth.*
- HA-120 The BSA COPE Program. Learn about the COPE program and how to use it in your unit. 1 hr. Adult/Youth.*

School of Leadership Courses

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- LD-101 Annual Troop and Crew Planning (Using a Patrol Leaders Council) - A year of Fun! Set goals with your junior leaders so your troop will thrive. Learn how to have a successful Patrol Leaders' Council (PLC) meeting -the beginning of a successful program. Tips for Leaders to help Scouts create Patrol Spirit and achieve Baden-Powell's goal of a Youth-Lead Troop. (Combine with LD104 & 106) 2 hr Adult/Youth.
- LD-102 National Youth Leadership Training Orientation National Youth Leadership Training is an exciting, action-packed program designed for councils to provide youth members with leadership skills and experience they can use in their home troops/crews and in other situations demanding leadership of self and others; now open to Coed Venturing Scouts. Learn how to prepare your youth to take this course. 1hr Adult/Youth.
- LD-103 Team Building Games & Icebreakers. What do you know about building a team? Learn about smart games that bring momentum and leadership to your crew as well as games you can use for icebreakers. 1hr Adult/Youth.*
- LD-104 Successful PLCs, Patrol Method, and Patrol Spirit. Learn how to have a successful Patrol Leaders' Council (PLC) meeting -the beginning of a successful program. Tips for Leaders to help Scouts create Patrol Spirit and achieve Baden-Powell's goal of a Youth-Lead Troop. 1 hr Adult/Youth. (Being concurrently taught with LD101 & 106)
- LD-105 Ice Breaker Games. Learn some games that are great for ice breakers. 1hr Adult/Youth.*
- LD-106 Communicating to your Unit. Learn how to communicate and lead by example. 1hr Adult/Youth. (Being concurrently taught with LD101 & 104)*
- LD-107 Serving Scouts with Special Needs (Involving Everyone in the Activities) (concurrent taught with BCS-118): Scouting gives each youth a chance regardless of his physical or mental ability. Learn about the program that is there for those Scouts that are challenged. Learn about your limitations and how to involve everyone in the activities, even those with limitations. 1hr Adult/Youth.
- LD-108 So You Want to Work Summer Camp: How you can get that cool summer job that will benefit both you and the youth you serve. What you need to know. 1hr Adult/Youth.*
- LD-109 Leadership Opportunities in the OA (How the OA Helps Units Develop Leaders): Interested in learning about how to serve in the OA? This course will give you the insights into how to serve as a leader in the OA. Need help developing unit leaders? Scouting U or NYLT training isn't enough? Need 'hands-on' experience? Let the BSA national society of honor campers, the Order of the Arrow, help you. Come discover how the OA can help develop leaders, both youth and adults with actual hands on experience leading others. 1hr Adult/Youth.

- LD-110 Mandatory Reporting. BSA Policy states that reporting child abuse is mandatory. But do you know how and when to report? This course will give you the information you need to know to comply with BSA and state laws. 1 hr Adult.
- LD-201 Wood Badge: What's with the beads and critters? Why Should I attend Wood Badge? Do fellow scouters confuse you when they talk about critters? Are they suggesting you attend, but you are not sure what it's all about and whether it's worth the time and money, then attend this class and the information from the Course Director of the next course. 1hr Adult.
- LD-202 Wood Badge Revisited. Were the presentations in Wood Badge like drinking from a fire hose or were you writing your ticket your ticket and you wish you remembered more? Then attend this course to revisit the major leadership themes of Wood Badge and how they apply to Scouting. This course is limited to Scouters that have completed a Wood Badge course. 2hr Adult.
- LD-203 Innovative Ideas for the Scoutmaster and Crew Advisor to develop youth leadership. 1hr Adult.*
- LD-204 Everyone Has a Talent - Developing a Shared Leadership Team. If you use them, they will come - everyone has something to contribute to the Unit. Seek them out, involve them and keep good people in your unit program. Includes a discussion on the role of an ASM. How to divide up the work. How to back up your Scoutmaster and share some of the responsibility. Combines with LD-205.. 1hr Adult.*
- LD-205 Shared Leadership - the Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster. Using Assistant Scoutmasters effectively to deliver a better program, The role of an ASM. How to divide up the work. How to back up your Scoutmaster and share some of the responsibility. 1hr Adult.*
- LD-206 Dealing with a Difficult Parent or fellow Scouter. Difficult youth are one thing, a difficult adult is another. Learn how you can handle such a situation. 1hr Adult.
- LD-207 International Scouting...Give It a Try, (Formally UAT-110) Find out more about the International Scouting Program, the relationships between International Scouting, the National BSA, and GAC programs. Learn the "Where? When? Who? How?" of bringing the world of scouting family together. 1 hr Adult.
- LD-208 What is Kodak? A Kodiak trek is an expedition, a road trip, an adventure. Learn more about how to plan and carry out. 1 hr Adult/ Youth*
- LD-209 District Committee Training Workshop... This course will meet the basic need of members of the district committee. The workshop also results in a well-coordinated and dedicated group of Scouters committed to achieving the mission of the council and its districts. The workshop also helps initiate a working relationship between council and district personnel. 3 hour Adult

School of Unit Administration and Technology Courses

Courses listed in *grayed-italic* type are not being offered in 2019.

- UAT-101 New Guideline Changes. What are the changes that have been made over the past year to the Scouting program that you need to be aware of? This course covers important changes our leaders need to know.. 1hr Adult.*
- UAT-102 Fundraising in the Unit.** How do you finance your unit? Scouting costs money. Financing your unit to help offset the costs of awards, going on outings, or equipping your unit is important. This class will help you find new ways and the right ways to finance all fun and business of an active unit. 1 hr Adult.
- UAT-103 Build a Unit Web Site. Starting a website is the easy part, but what's next? Learn what every website needs from content to calendars and where social media fits in. Share your unit's story with the outside world from your web site. 1hr Adult/Youth.*
- UAT-104 Unit Charter Renewal Process.** Do you dread charter renewal time? Every year your unit must renew its charter. Learn the proper way to complete your annual unit charter paperwork and what pitfalls to avoid in order to save yourself a lot of headaches. 1hr Adult.
- UAT-106 Scouter Awards 101: What are all those knots on the uniform and how can I get some? Advancement is one of the methods of Scouting. Learn about the different leader awards (not just knots) that are out there that adults can earn. 1hr Adult.*
- UAT-107 Journey to Excellence Program.** How do you run a successful unit? The Journey to Excellence Criteria provides the basic building blocks to help guide you in developing that quality Scouting program for the youth. Come learn what those building blocks are and what has changed for 2019. 1 hr Adult/Youth.
- UAT-108 MyScouting.org.** Wouldn't it be nice if all the important thing you needed to run your unit were in one system? The BSA is working to get there. Come find out about everything that has been rolled out, updated and migrated to www.my.scouting.org. Features include: User Information, Training Management, Member Management, Organization Management, Advancement, Charter Renewal, Service Hours Reporting, Announcements/Calendar, and Commissioner Tools. 2 hr Adult.
- UAT-111 Tax Deductions for Volunteers. Did you know certain scouting-related activities and expenditures are tax deductible? Come learn about the various deductions and filing practices that can help your unit volunteers. 1 hr Adult.*
- UAT-112 Service Hours Reporting System. How does my unit get credit for all the good work we do through service projects? Scout Units complete service projects resulting in numerous hours of community service. Learn how to make sure that your unit's efforts are being captured. Service projects are one of the building blocks on the Journey to Excellence. 1 hr Adult*

- UAT-114 Tour & Activity Plans. When and Why do I need to complete a Tour & Activity Plan? Find out the rules involved with completing a Tour & Activity Plan, how to complete it online, and why it is a good thing to do one. 1 hr Adult*
- UAT-115 Improving Recruitment. Looking for more Scouts to join your unit? What are some of the resources to help you grow your Pack, Troop, Team, or Crew? This course provides some of those resources plus some open discussion between participants on some of the methods a unit can use to improve recruitment. 1 hr Adult
- UAT-116 Scoutbook. What is Scoutbook and why do I need it? In April 2015, the BSA purchased Scoutbook. Learn what Scoutbook has to offer your unit and how using this new app can eliminate the administrative burden of running a Scout
- UAT-118 Scout Memorabilia Collecting. Have some great scouting memorabilia? Want to learn more about collecting? This course will talk about the different things you can collect and show some of the interesting Scout “stuff” you can collect. 1 Hr. Adult/Youth.
- UAT-119 Sharing the Scouting Story through Pictures: Imagine thousands of Scouts and Scouters with cameras making pictures and videos showing how fun and awesome Scouting is. Learn how to make your pictures better and how to build those pictures into great stories. Then how to share those stories with your friends and the world. Learn about the updated Photography Merit Badge. We will practice and share through examples. Bring a camera or a cell phone. 2 hrs Adult*
- UAT-120 Internet Advancement: For those Scouting units that have chosen not to use Scoutbook. Internet Advancement is the way units update the National advancement records for your [scouts].

II. DEGREE PROGRAMS AND REQUIREMENTS

University of Scouting degree programs were instituted in the Greater Alabama Council in 2003. They are designed to provide an incentive for continued training and as a method to recognize Scouters who participate in that training. The University offers Bachelors and Masters degrees in four program areas: Cub Scouting, Scouts BSA, Venturing, and Commissioner Science. There are also two doctorate degree programs: Doctorate of Scouting and Doctorate of Commissioner Science.

Beginning with the 2015 University of Scouting, the degree requirements were simplified. Anyone who began working on a degree under the previous degree requirements may complete their degree under those previous requirements, or change to the new requirements.

Degree requirements for credit hours are satisfied by taking courses in the Greater Alabama Council's University of Scouting. Instructors receive a one-time only credit for teaching a specific course at the University of Scouting. Scouters with course credits from another council's University of Scouting may petition to have these credits transferred towards qualification for a degree from the Greater Alabama Council University of Scouting. The Scouter must present the Vice Chancellor of Administration with a completed Transfer of Course Credit form.

Degree candidates are encouraged to submit their degree applications at any time during the year rather than wait until the day of University of Scouting. Applications should be sent to the Vice Chancellor of Administration (Julie Decker at julie@uab.edu). On the day of University of Scouting, candidates may submit their degree applications (make a copy for your personal record) during the check-in period. Candidates must also submit copies of previous degrees earned in addition to the current application of the degree they are pursuing. Candidates should check in the administration area during lunch to see if there are any problems with their degree applications.

You may continue to submit degree applications at the University of Scouting, but we will no longer be able to process and present degrees that day. We apologize for this change, but the volume of applications has made it impossible to process all the applications during the event.

At the closing ceremony, all persons who submit an application will be recognized and presented a Certificate of Candidacy for the degree. Within 60 days of University of Scouting, candidates will receive their degree or a letter of deficiency explaining the missing requirements.

ASSOCIATE DEGREE OF SCOUTS BSA

The Associate of Scouts BSA degree program is a new program for our youth members who have been attending the University for the past few years. The Associates Degree will be offered to all Venturing youth, and Scouting youth who are 14 years of age and have attained the rank of First Class Scout.

Associate of Scouts BSA Degree Requirements

Four credit hours from Scout College

Three additional credit hours from any of the Schools or Colleges

(7 hours total).

Additional requirements:

1. Attended troop level ILST training or a Council NYLT course.
2. Successfully served 6 months as either:
 - Patrol Leader
 - Assistant Senior Patrol Leader
 - Senior Patrol Leader

Associate of Venturing Degree Requirements

Four credit hours from Venturing College

Three additional credit hours from any of the Schools or Colleges

(7 hours total).

Additional requirements:

1. Complete the Introduction to Leadership Skills for Crews course.
2. Have served at least 6 months as a Crew Officer.

COLLEGE OF CUB SCOUTING

Bachelor of Cub Scouting Degree Requirements:

- I. Be trained in your registered position.
- II. Earn ten (10) credit hours of which six (6) are courses from the College of Cub Scouting and the remaining four (4) credit hours from courses in any of the Schools or Colleges.

Master of Cub Scouting Degree Requirements

- I. Complete the requirements for any bachelor degree.
- II. Be trained in your registered position (may have been completed as part of the Bachelor of Cub Scouting degree.)
- III. Earn an additional five (5) credit hours. A minimum of three (3) of these hours must be earned from the College of Cub Scouting. If the bachelor degree was earned in a different program area, then these five (5) hours must be courses from the College of Cub Scouting.
- IV. Complete three Cub Scout-related supplemental training courses. Examples include BALOO, Shooting Sports, Outdoor Leader Skills for Webelos Leaders, or District Committee Training Workshop or any American Red Cross health and safety course.

COLLEGE OF SCOUTS BSA

Bachelor of Scouts BSA Degree Requirements:

- I. Be trained in your registered position.
- II. Earn ten (10) credit hours of which a minimum of six (6) are courses from the College of Scouts BSA and the remaining four (4) credit hours may be from any School or College.

Master of Scouts BSA Degree Requirements

- I. Complete the requirements for any bachelor degree.
- II. Be trained in your registered position (may have been completed as part of the Bachelor of Scouts BSA degree).
- III. Earn an additional five credit hours. A minimum of three (3) of these hours must be earned from the College of Scouts BSA. If the bachelor degree was earned in a different program area, then these five hours must be courses from the College of Scouts BSA.
- IV. Complete three Scout related supplemental training courses. Examples include: Safe Swim Defense, Safety Afloat, Trek Safely, Climb on Safely, Merit Badge Counselor Orientation, Health and Safety Course, Leave No Trace Workshop, T.R.A.I.L. BOSS, Powder Horn, Climbing Instructor, BSA Lifeguard, District Committee Training Workshop or any American Red Cross health and safety course.

COLLEGE OF VENTURING

Bachelor of Venturing Degree Requirements:

- I. Be trained in your registered position.
- II. Earn ten (10) credit hours of which a minimum of six (6) are courses from the College of Venturing and the remaining four (4) credit hours may be from any School or College.

Master of Venturing Degree Requirements:

- I. Complete the requirements for any bachelor degree.
- II. Be trained in your registered position (may have been completed as a part of the Bachelor of Venturing degree).
- III. Earn an additional five credit hours. A minimum of three of these hours must be earned from the College of Venturing. If the bachelor degree was earned in a different program area, then these five hours must be courses from the College of Venturing.
- IV. Complete three Venturing related supplemental training courses. Examples include Safe Swim Defense, Safety Afloat, Trek Safely, Climb on Safely, Health and Safety Course, Leave No Trace Workshop, T.R.A.I.L. BOSS, Powder Horn, Climbing Instructor, District Committee Training Workshop or any American Red Cross health and safety course.

Doctorate of Scouting Degree Requirements:

A Scouter completing a master's degree in any scout area is eligible to pursue a Doctorate degree.

- I. Candidates must have earned their Wood Badge beads.
- II. Candidates must complete 5 credit hours since earning their master's degree in any college. (You may use 1 credit hour by instructing a UoS class)
- III. Candidates must have earned an adult leader award for your registered position in the program area in which you are applying for a Doctorate degree.
 - a. Cub Scout – Den Leader Training Award, Scouter's Training Award for Cub Scouting, Cubmaster Key, or Unit Leader Award of Merit (or equivalent)
 - b. Scouts BSA – Scouter's Training Award for Scouting, Scoutmaster's Key, or Unit Leader Award of Merit (or equivalent)
 - c. Venturing - Venturing Training Award, Advisor's Key, or Unit Leader Award of Merit (or equivalent).
- IV. Complete course TRN-601 a minimum of one year prior to reviewing the results of your PhD work with your advisor (This hour does not count for requirement III above). The candidate must also complete a doctorate degree option to include a thesis, service, or out-of-council supplemental training. The doctorate degree options will be explained in TRN-601.

NOTE: You must pre-register for TRN-601 by the pre-registration deadline. No walk-in registrations will be accepted. This is necessary because advisers for the doctorate candidates must be recruited.

COLLEGE OF COMMISSIONER SCIENCE

Bachelor of Commissioner Science Degree Requirements:

- I. Maintain registration in any capacity as a Commissioner during the entire training program listed below.
- II. Complete Commissioner orientation (Commissioner Fieldbook).
- III. Complete Commissioner Basic Training.
- IV. Complete a minimum of seven courses of instruction, of which at least five must be from the BCS list.
- V. Performance
 1. Approval of Council Commissioner or assigned Assistant Council Commissioner.
 2. Approval of Scout Executive or Advisor to Commissioner Service.

Master of Commissioner Science Degree Requirements:

- I. Complete Bachelor of Commissioner Science degree, or have been awarded the Commissioner's key.
- II. Earn the Arrowhead Honor.
- III. Be currently registered as a Commissioner.
- IV. Complete a minimum of seven additional courses of instruction (total of 14) with at least seven of the courses from 300-level MCS courses.
- V. Performance
 1. Approval of Council Commissioner or assigned Assistant Council Commissioner.
 2. Approval of Scout Executive or Advisor to Commissioner Service.

Doctor of Commissioner Science Degree Requirements:

- I. Serve as a Commissioner for a minimum of five years. Your service can be in one or more commissioner roles or positions of service.
- II. Complete Master of Commissioner Science Degree.
- III. Have been awarded the Commissioner's Key.
- IV. Be currently registered as a commissioner.
- VI. Complete a minimum of ten additional courses of instruction not used to qualify for other degree awards (total of 24) with at least five of the courses from 500 level DCS courses.
- VII. Thesis or Project
 - a. Complete a thesis or project on any topic of value to Scouting in your local Council.

- b. The topic and final paper or project must be approved by the Council Commissioner or assigned Assistant Council Commissioner or the Dean of Commissioner Science and the staff advisor for Commissioner Service.

VIII. Performance

- a. Serve on the College of Commissioner Science faculty (instructor or support staff) or work with training support for commissioners for at least one year.
- b. Recruit at least three new commissioners at any level.
- c. Approval of Council Commissioner or assigned Assistant Council Commissioner.
- d. Approval of Scout Executive or Advisor to Commissioner Service.

III. DEGREE APPLICATIONS AND FORMS

The following forms are contained in this section:

- Application for Associate of Scouting Degree
- Application for Associate of Venturing Degree
- Application for Bachelor of Cub Scouting Degree
- Application for Master of Cub Scouting Degree
- Application for Bachelor of Scouts BSA Degree
- Application for Master of Scouts BSA Degree
- Application for Bachelor of Venturing Degree
- Application for Master of Venturing Degree
- Application for Doctor of Scouting Degree
- Application for College of Commission Science Degree
- Transfer of Course Credits

Application for Associate of Scouts BSA Degree

Name: _____ Date: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City _____ State: ____ Zip: _____ District: _____

Troop: _____ Current Leadership Position (if any): _____

Age: _____ Rank: _____

Leadership position for 6 month requirement: _____
(From – to Dates)

Date Completed Troop level ILST or NYLT: _____

Year and course number/name of School credit hours (3 hours required) taken:

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____

Year and course number/name of Scout credit hours (4 hours required) taken:

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____

Candidate's Signature: _____

Scoutmaster's Signature: _____

Scoutmaster's Comment (optional): _____

Note: Complete this application and submit it during the check-in period on the morning of the University of Scouting. Make a copy for your personal record.

The award of the Associate's Degree is approved:

Associate Chancellor of Administration, University of Scouting

Date: _____

Application for Associate of Venturing Degree

Name: _____ Date: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ District: _____

Crew: _____ Current Leadership Position (if any): _____

Leadership position for 6 month requirement: _____
(From – to Dates)

Date Completed VLSC/ILSC: _____

Year and course number/name of School credit hours (3 hours required) taken:

- 4. _____
- 5. _____
- 6. _____

Year and course number/name of Venturing credit hours (4 hours required) taken:

- 5. _____
- 6. _____
- 7. _____
- 8. _____

Candidate's Signature: _____

Crew Advisor's Signature: _____

Crew Advisor's Comment (optional): _____

Note: Complete this application and submit it during the check-in period on the morning of the University of Scouting. Make a copy for your personal record.

The award of the Associate's Degree is approved:

Associate Chancellor of Administration, University of Scouting Date: _____

Application for Bachelor of Cub Scouting Degree

Name: _____ Date: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City _____ State: ____ Zip: _____ District: _____

Current Unit: _____ Registered Position: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Date and courses to be trained in registered position: _____

Year and course number/name of core credit hours (6 hours required) from the College of Cub Scouting area:

1. * _____

2. * _____

3. * _____

4. * _____

5. * _____

6. * _____

Year and course number/name of additional elective or core credit hours (4 hours are required) from any of the Colleges or Schools.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Candidate's Signature: _____

Note: Complete this application and submit it during the check-in period on the morning of the University of Scouting. Make a copy for your personal record.

The award of the Bachelor's Degree is approved:

_____ Date: _____

Associate Chancellor of Administration, University of Scouting

Application for Master of Cub Scouting Degree

Name: _____ Date: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City _____ State: ____ Zip: _____ District: _____

Current Unit: _____ Registered Position: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Date completed Bachelor Degree of Cub Scouting/Scouting/Venturing/Commissioner Science (circle the correct discipline): _____

Date and name of Cub Scout Leader Specific Training completed: _____

Year and course number/name elective and/ or core courses and credit hours (5 total hours required) from the College of Cub Scouting (minimum of 3 hours) or any of the Colleges or Schools.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Titles and dates completed of three supplemental training courses:

Course Name	Date
BALOO	_____
Webelos Outdoor Leadership Skills	_____
Shooting Sports	_____
Red Cross Health & Safety Course	_____
Philmont Training Conference	_____
National Camping School	_____
District Committee Training Workshop	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Candidate's Signature: _____

Note: Complete this application and submit it during the check-in period on the morning of the University of Scouting. Make a copy for your personal record.

The award of the Master's Degree is approved:

Associate Chancellor of Administration, University of Scouting

Date: _____

Application for Bachelor of Scouts BSA Degree

Name: _____ Date: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City _____ State: ____ Zip: _____ District: _____

Current Unit: _____ Registered Position: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Date and courses to be trained in registered position: _____

Year and course number/name of core credit hours (6 hours required) from College of Scouts BSA

1. * _____

2. * _____

3. * _____

4. * _____

5. * _____

6. * _____

Year and course number/name of additional elective or core credit hours (4 hours are required) from the any of the Colleges or Schools.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Candidate's Signature: _____

Note: Complete this application and submit it during the check-in period on the morning of the University of Scouting. Make a copy for your personal record.

The award of the Bachelor's Degree is approved:

Associate Chancellor of Administration, University of Scouting

Date: _____

Application for Master of Scouts BSA Degree

Name: _____ Date: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City _____ State: ____ Zip: _____ District: _____

Current Unit: _____ Registered Position: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Date completed Bachelor Degree of Cub Scouting/Scouts BSA/Venturing/Commissioner Science (circle the correct discipline): _____

Dates completed Scoutmaster Leader-Specific Training and Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills or Troop Committee Challenge (circle the courses taken): _____

Year and course number/name of elective and/ or core courses and credit hours (5 total hours required) from the College of Scouts BSA (minimum of 3 hours) or any of the Colleges or Schools:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Titles and dates completed of three supplemental training courses:

Course Name	Date	Course Name	Date
Trek Safely	_____	Safety Afloat	_____
Climb On Safely	_____	Safe Swim Defense	_____
Climbing Instructor	_____	Scout Lifeguard	_____
Merit Badge Counselor Orient	_____		
Leave No Trace Workshop	_____		
District Committee Training Workshop	_____		
_____	_____		
_____	_____		
_____	_____		

Candidate's Signature: _____

Note: Complete this application and submit it during the check-in period on the morning of the University of Scouting. Make a copy for your personal record.

The award of the Master's Degree is approved:

Associate Chancellor of Administration, University of Scouting

Date: _____

Application for Bachelor of Venturing Degree

Name: _____ Date: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City _____ State: ____ Zip: _____ District: _____

Current Unit: _____ Registered Position: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Date and courses to be trained in registered position: _____

Year and course number/name of core credit hours (6 hours required) from the College of Venturing:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

Year and course number/name of additional elective or core credit hours (4 hours are required) from the any of the Colleges or Schools:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Candidate's Signature: _____

Note: Complete this application and submit it during the check-in period on the morning of the University of Scouting. Make a copy for your personal record.

The award of the Bachelor's Degree is approved:

_____ Date: _____

Associate Chancellor of Administration, University of Scouting

Application for Master of Venturing Degree

Name: _____ Date: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City _____ State: ____ Zip: _____ District: _____

Current Unit: _____ Registered Position: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Date completed Bachelor Degree of Cub Scouting/Scouting/Venturing/Commissioner Science (circle the correct discipline): _____

Dates completed Venturing Leader Specific Training: _____

Year and course number/name of elective and/ or core courses and credit hours (5 total hours required) from the College of Venturing (minimum of 3 hours) or any of the Colleges or Schools:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Titles and dates completed of three supplemental training courses:

Course Name	Date	Course Name	Date
Trek Safely	_____	Safety Afloat	_____
Climb On Safely	_____	Safe Swim Defense	_____
Climbing Instructor	_____	Scout Lifeguard	_____
Merit Badge Counselor Orientation	_____		
Leave No Trace Workshop	_____		
District Committee Training Workshop	_____		
_____	_____		
_____	_____		
_____	_____		

Candidate's Signature: _____

Note: Complete this application and submit it during the check-in period on the morning of the University of Scouting. Make a copy for your personal record.

The award of the Master's Degree is approved:

Associate Chancellor of Administration, University of Scouting

Date: _____

Application for Doctorate of Scouting Degree

Name: _____ Date: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City _____ State: ____ Zip: _____ District: _____

Current Unit: _____ Registered Position: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Date completed Master's Degree of Cub Scouting/Scouts BSA/ Venturing/ Commissioner Science (circle the correct discipline): _____

Date Wood Badge beads bestowed and course number: _____

Titles of courses, credit hours and dates completed (5 hours required, plus TNG-601):

NOTE - Your thesis option cannot be a part of your Wood Badge ticket.

REQUIRED – TNG-601 Doctorate Degree Option Development

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____

IV. If you chose supplemental training as your degree option requirement, then list 5 supplemental training courses beyond those completed for your Master's Degree. Include dates completed.

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____

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Application for Doctorate of Scouting Degree (cont'd.)

If you chose the thesis as your degree option requirement, then attach a copy of your thesis report

If you chose prescribed service as your degree option requirement, then attach a report of your service to this form or write it here:

Candidate's Signature: _____ (patrol totem)

Adviser's signature: _____

Adviser's printed name: _____

Note: Complete this application and forward it to your Doctorate Advisor. Please make a copy for your personal record.

The award of the Doctorate Degree is approved:

Chancellor, University of Scouting

Date: _____

Application for College of Commissioner Science Degree

Name: _____ Date: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City _____ State: ____ Zip: _____ District: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Registered as a _____ Commissioner

Years of service as a registered commissioner: _____

District/Program Area: _____

Degree Applying for (BCS, MCS, DCS): _____

Date (month/year) the following were earned/awarded:

Trained Emblem: _____ Arrowhead Honor: _____ Commissioner's Key: _____

Distinguished Commissioner's Award: _____ BCS: _____ MCS: _____

Supporting Data: Please complete page 2 of this application indicating courses taken towards Commissioner's Degrees.

If applying for the MCS Degree, please attach a copy of your BCS Degree.

If applying for the DCS Degree, please attach a copy of your MCS Degree.

Date(s) Attended:

Commissioner's Conference: _____

Commissioner's Conference Leader or Session Leader: _____

Program Area/Council Conference/Training: _____

College of Commissioner Science Instructor: _____

Philmont Commissioner's Training: _____

Date last completed Youth Protection Guidelines _____

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Application for College of Commissioner Science Degree (cont'd.)

Training Record - Date Attended:

BCS-101 _____	BCS-102 _____	BCS-103 _____	BCS-104 _____	BCS-105 _____
BCS-106 _____	BCS-107 _____	BCS-108 _____	BCS-109 _____	BCS-112 _____
BCS-114 _____	BCS-116 _____	BCS-117 _____	BCS-151 _____	BCS-152 _____
BCS-153 _____	BCS-154 _____	BCS-155 _____	BCS-156 _____	
MCS-302 _____	MCS-303 _____	MCS-304 _____	MCS-306 _____	MCS-307 _____
MCS-307 _____	MCS-309 _____	MCS-311 _____	MCS-312 _____	MCS-313 _____
MCS-314 _____	MCS-315 _____	MCS-316 _____	MCS-350 _____	MCS-351 _____
MCS-352 _____	MCS-353 _____	MCS-354 _____	MCS-355 _____	MCS-356 _____
MCS-357 _____	MCS-358 _____			
DCS-501 _____	DCS-502 _____	DCS-503 _____	DCS-504 _____	DCS-506 _____
DCS-512 _____	DCS-514 _____	DCS-516 _____		

(Course numbers listed above are based on new National Curriculum dated 2018)

List elective courses (by number or title) from other University of Scouting Colleges/Schools and date (month/year) attended:

Course	Date	Course	Date	Course	Date	Course	Date

Candidate's Signature: _____

Date: _____

APPROVAL SIGNATURES REQUIRED:

Dean - College of Commissioner Science: _____

Council Commissioner (or designee): _____

Council Executive (or designee): _____

Received and Recorded: _____

Office of the Registrar

Transfer of Course Credits

Name: _____ Date: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City and Zip: _____ District: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Fill out an entry for each course you would like to have credit hours transferred for. List the date you took the course, the council where the University of Scouting was held, the number of hours that course was, the name of the course, and a short course description. The number of approved credits will be listed in the last column by the Registrar.

Date Taken	Council	Course Hours	Course Name	Course Description	Approved Credits

Applicant's Signature: _____

Note: Complete this request and submit it during the check-in period on the morning of the University of Scouting. Make a copy for your personal record.

The transfer of the course credits indicated above is approved:

_____ Date: _____

Associate Chancellor of Administration, University of Scouting