

2021 UNIVERSITY OF SCOUTING GREATER ALABAMA COUNCIL

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COURSE CATALOG

EVERY SCOUT DESERVES A TRAINED LEADER



University of Scouting 2021

Connecting Like Never Before

On behalf of the Greater Alabama Council, welcome to University of Scouting. Although this year is quite different, the training being offered is still as beneficial as ever. Through our Track System, we aim to give you some valuable information and tools to help strengthen and grow the Scouting program in your unit. We hope that you will gain knowledge that carries with you through Scouting.

In addition to training in Cub Scouting, Scouts BSA, and Outdoor Adventure we are excited to offer a track for the Order of the Arrow. This new opportunity will be expanded in 2022 as the OA will have an entire school. Thank you for joining us for the 2021 University of Scouting and we look forward to you “*Connecting Like Never Before*”!

Dr. Larry Lee

2021 University of Scouting Chancellor

Welcome to University of Scouting 2021. I know this year’s format is different, but I hope that you find it of great value to your Scouting activities. The decision to hold a virtual UofS was not an easy one, but in light of the COVID-19 pandemic, makes the best sense for the Greater Alabama Council at this time. I appreciate the leadership of Dr. Larry Lee in orchestrating this year’s UofS. His scouting career has been a model of leadership and giving to both Scouts and Scouters. Like many of you, I look forward to getting back to a “normal” way of doing things and I look forward to seeing you – in person – at UofS in 2022 and as we meet on the Scouting Trail.

Thank you for all you do for our youth!

Dr. Mark Brown

Vice President of Training: Greater Alabama Council



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GENERAL INFORMATION

What Is University of Scouting?

The University of Scouting is an annual council-wide training event designed to give you a more in-depth study than can be provided in the basic training courses offered in Scouting. This is accomplished through experienced leaders offering training on specific subjects related to Scouting.

What Is The Format For University of Scouting?

Most years the University of Scouting is held in person at a college or high school. In 2021 the event will be held virtually. Participants will choose to follow one of six tracks. The tracks will be discussed on page 3.

How Do I Register For University of Scouting?

Registration is done online. You can register at <https://form.jotform.com/210256771318050>

During registration you will select one track to participate in for the day.

What Is The Cost?

The fee for University of Scouting is \$9.00. The fee includes a patch that will be mailed to you, administrative fees, and technology fees.

What Is The Schedule For University of Scouting?

9:15	Opening Ceremony
9:45	Course 1
10:45	Course 2
12:00	Lunch Break
1:00	Course 3
2:00	Course 4

How Do I Participate In University of Scouting?

The program will be delivered through the Zoom format in 2021. A week prior to the event you will be emailed log-in information for your specific track program with details on how to join. You will stay in the same Zoom meeting for the entirety of the day.

How Do The Tracks Apply To My On-Going Degree Program?

For 2021 the University of Scouting will only be an educational tool to help engage, train, and strengthen Scouting volunteers. Credit for classes for degrees will resume in 2022.

TRACK SYSTEM

The 2021 University of Scouting will be broken into six tracks. You will choose one track to follow throughout the event. The following tracks have been developed:

- **Den and Pack Administration**
- **Den and Pack Program**
- **Scouts BSA Troop Administration**
- **Scouts BSA Program**
- **Outdoor Adventure**
- **Order of the Arrow**

These tracks will be broken into four individual classes in each track. Each track is designed to give you information, tools, and resources on the chosen track. Each class will be presented by a different instructor within the track system. Relevance, popularity, and the benefits of the class has been reviewed in selecting the four classes for each track.



DEN AND PACK ADMINISTRATION

This track is designed for Den Leaders and Pack Leaders. Whether you are a first time Den Leader or a seasoned Cubmaster there will be a wealth of knowledge for you in this track. Participants will be engaged by experienced Cub Scout leaders who deliver best practices on how to manage the overall administrative side of a den and pack.

DEN AND PACK PROGRAM

This track is designed to give Cub Scout leaders creative ways to deliver the program to your youth. From fun games, campfire ideas, cool activities, and outings, to engaging meetings come find out how to keep your program fresh and exciting for your youth.



TROOP ADMINISTRATION

This track is designed for Assistant Scoutmasters and Scoutmasters. Participants will be engaged by experienced Scout leaders who deliver best practices on how to manage the overall administrative side of a Troop.

TROOP PROGRAM

This track is designed to give Scout leaders new and exciting to deliver the program to your youth. From campout ideas, , awesome activities and outings, to engaging meetings come find out how to keep your program fresh and exciting for your youth.



OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

Join this track to learn about how to put adventure and excitement into your unit program. Learn about how to build a high adventure program in your unit, best practices and gear, and how outdoor adventure is closer than you think.



ORDER OF THE ARROW

The Order of the Arrow is Scouting's National Honor Society. Come learn what the Order is about and how this program can strengthen your unit and Scouting. Here from local leaders of Coosa Lodge on what the OA can do for you.