



College of Commissioner Service - 2025

Class Catalog

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College of Commissioner Science - Bachelors (2025 revision) (Scheduled Classes)

BCS102 Period 5 Class 209 Ed Weeks		The Unit and Membership Renewal Process (Updated 9/30/2024) 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. Maximum number of participants: 18
BCS104 Period 6 Class 210 Ken Gaul		Contacting Units (Updated 08/01/2021) This course examines the role of contacts between commissioners and their units. At the heart of unit service are the contacts commissioners make with their units. Maximum number of participants: 18
BCS105 Period 3 Class 209 Pat Berney		Resolving Common Unit Issues (Updated 08/01/2021) 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. Maximum number of participants: 18
BCS106 Period 3 Class 210 Mike Holder		Coaching Leaders (Updated 08/01/2021) In this course a commissioner will become familiar with the new Coaching model and how to use it to better serve their units. Maximum number of participants: 18
BCS108 Period 5 Class 210 Jim Stewart		Mining Internet Resources (Updated 08/01/2021) 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. This course concentrates not on the local "who do you call" but on using the internet, in effect, mining internet resources. Maximum number of participants: 18
BCS111 Period 1 Class 209 Mika Shimoji		Commissioner and S.A.F.E. Scouting (12/15/2024) Parents are always concerned about their children's safety. Commissioners support the unit's understanding that the safety of all needs to be overt and constant awareness at every meeting and outing. It begins with leadership knowledge and then action. Maximum number of participants: 18
BCS113 Period 6 Class 209 Sean Byrne		Welcoming, Engaging and Onboarding Commissioner This course is an orientation for new commissioners and includes training requirements, onboarding, resources, and more! It also helps the district and assistant district commissioners guide and support the new commissioners toward successful unit service. Maximum number of participants: 18

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BCS114

Period 7 Class

210

Alex Pranger



Understanding & Communicating with Today's Leaders (updated updated 04/15/2022)

We, as commissioners, need to understand the differences in relating to the generations involved in scouting and inclusiveness. This course encourages understanding between the different generations - particularly Generation X and Millennials - to help commissioners better communicate with their units.

Maximum number of participants: 18

BCS115

Period 2 Class

209

Craig Reichow



Commissioners - The Single Best Resource! (1/15/2024)

Commissioners provide unit leadership with information and guidance on the latest changes in the programs of BSA. Providing unit service in the same regardless of the type of unit.

Maximum number of participants: 18

BCS125

Period 7 Class

209

Eric Bullock



Commissioner Culture (NEW 12/15/2025)

Be the Heart, Build Relationships, Change Lives - is the Commissioner Culture Statement. This course will explore what this statement means and how to put our "culture" into action.

Maximum number of participants: 18

BCS150

Period 1 Class

210

Bruce Andersen



Roundtables in Unit Service (Updated 10/15/2022)

An effective roundtable is vital to the success of all unit service. This course reviews and reinforces how roundtables fit into the unit service structure by providing roundtable services to units and unit leaders.

Maximum number of participants: 18

BCS154

Period 2 Class

210

Peter Pate



Roundtable Fundamentals (Updated 7/15/2024)

Roundtable is normally the first district event that a new leader attends. It is focused on FUN and giving new and seasoned leaders "the will to do, and the skill to do". Roundtable is important not only for the leaders but for the youth they bring the information back to.

Maximum number of participants: 18

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BCS202

Period 1 Class

132 Library

Aaron Marrs



Future of Commissioner Service

This course discusses the reasons for renaming of the organization and the future of unit service, and introduces the new Commissioner Connections and Commissioner Tools.

Maximum number of participants: 25

BCS203

Period 6 Class

132 Library

Rick Manteuffel



Unit Metrics for Unit Commissioners

This course introduces the new unit metrics, how they are developed, and how Unit Commissioners can use them to identify needs and assist the units that they serve.

Maximum number of participants: 25

BCS204

Period 2 Class

132 Library

Ben Overbey



Unit Connections

This course discusses why commissioners make unit connections, the different types of connections, how to make a visit to a unit and the annual unit service cycle. It also introduces the new simplified conversation guides that will enable unit serving commissioners to effectively engage with unit leaders.

Maximum number of participants: 25

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College of Commissioner Science - Masters (2025 revision) (Scheduled Classes)

MCS302

Period 1 Class
Period 6 Class

205

John Patrick



Supporting Unit and Membership Renewal (updated 9/30/2024)

Commissioners must be proactive in on-time recharter efforts, especially with units inexperienced or unfamiliar with BSA procedures. This session examines the importance of partnering with units, common errors with recharter, reasons for defective paperwork and ways to prevent submission of inaccurate charter renewals.

Maximum number of participants: 18

MCS303

Period 2 Class

205

Brian Zabela



Managing Unit Service at the District Level (updated 8/01/2021)

Managing unit service in the district is the main responsibility of the district commissioner who is aided in this task by various assistant district commissioners. This course will familiarize the student on the modules available in Commissioner Tools so that they can enhance their ability to support the unit.

Maximum number of participants: 18

MCS304

Period 3 Class

205

George Costigan



Service to Units at Risk (updated 04/15/2022)

Early detection and systematic problem-solving is critical to support units when they encounter problems which may prevent them from functioning effectively. This class will provide the commissioner with ways to identify these units and to discuss the processes needed to support the unit's move toward performing as an effective scouting unit.

Maximum number of participants: 18

MCS305

Period 5 Class

205

Eric Bullock



Resolving Critical Unit Issues (updated 10/01/2021)

The purpose of this course is to hone the commissioner's skills in assessing units, determining their strengths and weaknesses, and in developing plans to improve the functioning of the unit. When collaborating with the unit Key 3, the commissioner may be able to help identify critical issues and keep the unit from becoming an "At-Risk" unit.

Maximum number of participants: 18

MCS307

Period 6 Class

205

Tom DiMisa



Serving Newly Formed Units (updated 04/15/2022)

An engaged commissioner is critical for the success and retention of new units. Commissioners designated as a New Unit Commissioner focus on only new units, preferably a single unit to which they have been assigned.

Maximum number of participants: 18

MCS309

Period 7 Class

205

Jae Engelbrecht



Good Commissioners Need Both Head and Heart (updated 8/01/2021)

In this course, we will discuss how the servant leadership concept is carried out in service to units using your head and heart.

Maximum number of participants: 18

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MCS310

Period 1 Class

206

Karl Gerdes



Succession Planning (Updated 3/31/2024)

Adult leadership changes. To support the orderly change of leadership it is important to encourage each unit to create a long-term succession plan. Commissioners need to understand the process to support the development and maintenance of a succession plan in the units they support.

Maximum number of participants: 18

MCS311

Period 2 Class

206

Karl Gerdes



All About the ADC's Role (updated 10/01/2021)

This course defines the purpose of assistant district commissioners and how that role benefits commissioner services at the district level.

Maximum number of participants: 18

MCS312

Period 3 Class

Period 7 Class

206

David Rockwell



Recruiting the 21st Century Volunteer (updated 10/15/2022)

All commissioners are responsible for recruiting other commissioners. This course familiarizes commissioners on the considerations and techniques that support recruiting volunteers who represent the generations of the 21st century.

Maximum number of participants: 18

MCS313

Period 5 Class

206

David Rockwell



Onboarding Commissioners (updated 12/15/2024)

This course discusses the importance of onboarding commissioners into their new position and talk about who is responsible for making sure that onboarding happens. The onboarding process and how it is to be completed is also discussed.

Maximum number of participants: 18

MCS350

Period 6 Class

206

George Costigan



Unit & Roundtable Commissioners Working Together (Updated 3/31/2024)

While unit commissioners and roundtable commissioners wear distinct position patches, denoting their field of expertise, both patches feature the wreath of service and for good reason! Unit commissioners and roundtable commissioners work together to ensure unit leaders have the support they need to succeed. Remember: "Roundtable is unit service."

Maximum number of participants: 18

MCS351

Period 7 Class

206

George Costigan



Conducting the Roundtable Planning Session (Updated 3/31/2024)

An effective roundtable program requires advanced planning. With this in mind, every district and council should have an advanced roundtable plan supported by the assistant council commissioner and assistant district commissioners who focus on roundtable as unit service.

Maximum number of participants: 18

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MCS352

Period 1 Class

207

Wendy Latella



Roundtable is Over - Now What (Updated 3/31/2024)

The district roundtable isn't over when the last chair is put away or when the host has closed the virtual meeting space. There are things that need to be completed to help get ready for the next roundtable. This course discusses the importance of feedback and applying for successful future roundtables.

Maximum number of participants: 18

MCS357

Period 2 Class

207

George Costigan



Managing Long Distance Roundtables (Updated 3/31/2024)

This course will provide an understanding of the current resources available to enhance long distance roundtables.

Maximum number of participants: 18

MCS358

Period 3 Class

Period 5 Class

207

Wendy Latella



Addressing Unit Challenges through Roundtable (Updated 3/31/2024)

The monthly roundtable plays a key role in unit service and in helping unit leaders address their challenges and roadblocks. A great roundtable team will deliver a quality event that encourages leaders to return each month. This course is the culmination of the CCS material directly related to the monthly roundtable.

Maximum number of participants: 18

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DCS5013

Period 1 Class

202

Bob Owen



Selecting and Limiting the Scope of Your Doctoral Project Thesis / Developing Your Project or Thesis

This course is a two-period course combining DCS 501 and DCS 503. DCS 501 assists the doctoral candidate in selecting a topic for their project or thesis. The candidate will also explore various methods of limiting the focus of the project or thesis so that completion is achievable. DCS 503 discusses various suggestions for developing a project or thesis outline and writing the final report for submission to your doctoral advisor.

Maximum number of participants: 18

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College of Commissioner Science - Doctorate (2025 revision) (Scheduled Classes)

DCS506

Period 6 Class

202

Russell Pittman



Coaching Commissioners (Updated 3/31/2024)

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. This class will focus on coaching skills for administrative commissioners.

Maximum number of participants: 18

DCS509

Period 3 Class

202

Tom DiMisa



Legacy of Servant Leadership (NEW!! 12/31/2021)

Leading is not about what we gain from others but about what others gain from us. Leading well means serving others.

Maximum number of participants: 18

DCS512

Period 5 Class

202

James Chaplin



Recruiting for Diversity (NEW!! 12/31/2021)

How do we ensure that every unit is supported to offer a quality Scouting program? Simple. We recruit and empower enough commissioners for the task. The question becomes who is the best commissioner for each unit?

Maximum number of participants: 18

DCS514

Period 7 Class

202

Karl Gerdes



Building Meaningful Relationships (updated 04/15/2022)

Commissioner service is all about relationships. This session discusses 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.

Maximum number of participants: 18

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College of Commissioner Science - Continuing Ed (2025 revision) (Scheduled Classes)

CED716

Period 5 Class

132 Library

Mark Longworth



Navigating Difficult Conversations (updated 12/31/2021)

Scouting is full of conversations. Most are pleasant and productive - but at times, differences can arise. It occurs whenever people disagree over their values, motivations, perceptions, ideas, or desires. Sometimes these differences appear trivial, but they can trigger strong emotions. As commissioners, we need to be able to navigate these difficult conversations in a way that leaves everyone feeling heard, understood and valued.

Maximum number of participants: 25

CED751

Period 7 Class

132 Library

David Rockwell



Role of the Administrative Commissioner in the Roundtable Program (NEW!! 12/31/2021)

The Role of the Administrative Commissioner in the Roundtable Program. This course describes how to create a roundtable culture committed to unit service, discusses developing a team with that mindset, and talks about how administrative commissioners such as the Assistant Council Commissioner for Roundtable and the Assistant District Commissioner for Roundtable can be reliable resources for units at the district and council level. We'll also learn how nurturing relationships helps build an effective roundtable commissioner team.

Maximum number of participants: 25

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CED846

Period 3 Class

132 Library

Jae Engelbrecht



Council Commissioner - Ask Me Anything (AMA)

Q&A with the Council Commissioner on commissioner service in NCAC

Maximum number of participants: 25

CED847

Period 2 Class

Period 6 Class

203

Karen Bengtson



Keynote Forum

Forum/Q&A with keynote speaker Karen Bengtson, Unit Service Support Group Chair, Commissioner National Service Team

Maximum number of participants: 18

CED925

Period 4 Keynote Address

Wesley Hall

Karen Bengtson



Keynote Speaker Address

The Keynote Address for the NCAC College of Commissioner Service 2025.

The keynote speaker is Karen Bengtson, Unit Service Support Group Chair, Commissioner National Service Team.

Maximum number of participants: 250