

# UNIVERSITY OF SCOUTING

LONGHORN COUNCIL, SCOUTING AMERICA



2025 Program Guide



**November 8, 2025**

Tarrant County College – Trinity River Campus 300  
Trinity Campus Circle Fort Worth, Texas 76102



Registration



Link to Registration: <https://scoutingevent.com/662-UOS25>

Link to Degree Application: <https://forms.gle/WSsLsMqxajj6opVZ7>

Degree Application



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**Merchandise must be ordered by  
September 30, 2025**



*Order your 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Merchandise **online** with your registration or add it to your registration as we cannot sell anything directly to you at Tarrant County Community College.*

### **Class Catalog 2025 - Course Descriptions (attached in appendix A)**

Contains complete class descriptions and schedules. Instructors and Room schedules will be added as they become available.

### **Class Schedule Grid (attached in appendix B)**

## Our Mission

Longhorn Council University of Scouting is deeply committed to advancing educational excellence and preparing participants to become well rounded, knowledgeable, leaders in all aspects of Scouting.

## Our Vision

To be the largest annual training event providing comprehensive top-quality education to Scouters in and around Longhorn Council to help deliver the Promise of Scouting. Longhorn Council University of Scouting will be a diverse and inclusive institution creating knowledge and innovations, while cultivating excellence in the next generation of Scouts and Scouters



## Welcome to the 2025 University of Scouting! Celebrating 25 Years of Leadership, Learning, and Adventure

Dear Scouting Friends,

We are excited to welcome you to the **Longhorn Council's 2025 University of Scouting**, a one-day, action-packed learning adventure designed especially for Scout leaders and volunteers like you! Whether you are a returning participant or joining us for the first time, you're in for an energizing day full of opportunities to grow, connect, and be inspired.

This year marks a **special milestone, our 25th Anniversary!** For a quarter-century, the University of Scouting has equipped leaders across Longhorn Council with the tools, ideas, and community support to deliver high-quality programs to Scouts of all ages. To commemorate this exciting achievement, we will be offering exclusive **25th anniversary merchandise** to help you celebrate and remember this historic occasion.

Rooted in the spirit of our motto, *Estote Parati* "Be Prepared" the University of Scouting is your chance to enhance your knowledge, sharpen your skills, and strengthen your network. You'll select from a wide variety of courses taught by experienced volunteers and professionals who are passionate about Scouting and ready to share their insights.

We are proud to continue our partnership with **Tarrant County College – Trinity River Campus**, located in the heart of downtown Fort Worth at **300 Trinity Campus Circle, Fort Worth, TX 76102**. This beautiful, centrally located facility offers excellent amenities and a vibrant atmosphere that enhances the learning experience.

In the **Course Catalog**, you'll find everything you need to prepare for the day, including registration details, course fees, and degree program information. Explore our broad selection of classes across multiple Colleges:

- **Cub Scouting**
- **Scouts BSA**
- **Venturing/Sea Scouts/Exploring**
- **Order of the Arrow**
- **Outdoor Ethics and Conservation**
- **General Studies**
- **Scout Ability**
- **Youth Development**

The University of Scouting is Longhorn Council's **largest single-day training event**, bringing together adult leaders and youth from across the region. It's the perfect setting to reconnect with friends, meet new people, and exchange ideas. Be sure to visit the **University of Scouting Midway**, where you can learn about Council programs, upcoming events, community partners, and even win a prize or two!

We also want to express our heartfelt appreciation for the incredible team of **volunteers, instructors, administrative staff, and Council professionals** who make this event possible. Their dedication and effort create a truly memorable experience year after year.

**Participant check-in and walk-up registration begin at 8:00 AM.** Please arrive early and register in advance to avoid long lines and get the most from your day.

On behalf of Longhorn Council and the youth we all serve, **thank you** for being part of this incredible event. Your commitment to learning and leadership makes a lasting impact on the future of Scouting.

If you have any questions, feel free to reach out.

Yours in Scouting,

**Joel Salinas**

Chancellor, University of Scouting  
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# Registering for the University of Scouting



Class sizes are limited; please register early to ensure you can attend the courses you desire.

Although we do our best to accommodate all registrations, due to instructor availability, class limitations, and circumstances beyond our control, we may find it necessary to reschedule or cancel classes. If that happens you will be able to switch classes.

Walk-in registration will be available on the day of the event. Walk-ins will receive course assignments based on availability of classroom space, instructors, and time. Degree patches cannot be guaranteed for Walk-in attendees.

Registration is open to Adult Scouters and Youth who are ages 13 and above and achieved the Rank of First Class or higher.

Link to Registration: <https://scoutingevent.com/662-UOS25>

## Registration Fee

Online Registration – (7/ 01/ 2025 – 10/31/2025) Adults / Youth: \$25.00

Late Registration – (11/1/ 2025 – 11/07/ 2025) Adults / Youth: \$30.00

Walk-in Registration – (Saturday, November 08, 2025) Adults / Youth: \$35.00

*\*\*Instructors & Staff are entitled to discount fee*

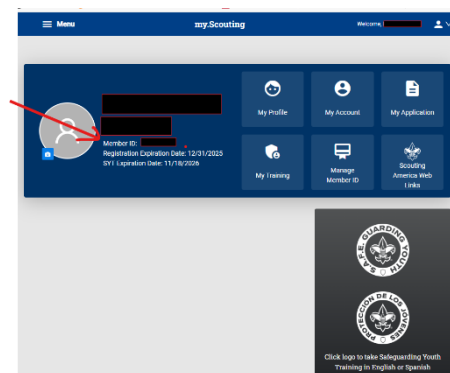
Registration includes attendance of courses, degree patch, certificate, course handouts, liability insurance, technology licenses, mailing, building fee and program costs. **Courses that require extra cost will be stated on Course information (Appendix A) and collected while registering on-line.**

## You will Need Your Scouting America Member ID to Register

Your Scouting America Member ID can be found in the following ways:

On your printed membership card

In my.scouting.org Below your name on the first screen after login.



## Breakfast/Lunch College

Starbucks next to Cafeteria will be open from 7:30 AM until 2:00 PM Lunch is NOT included in registration, TCC cafeteria is to open from 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM so you can purchase food from them. Optionally, you may bring your own lunch/snacks. Microwaves are available in the cafeteria area.

## Attire

The University of Scouting encourages all participants to wear the complete Field Uniform of Scouting America. Due to physical activity and/or possible messiness, some classes may suggest you remove your scout shirt and wear your activity shirt. All clothing should be scout appropriate.

## Check-in

All participants and staff must check in with the Administrations Team at the Registration Desk located near the cafeteria beginning at 8:00 a.m. Park in the parking garage adjacent to the campus (Cherry St. and Belknap), go through the doors on the floor you enter the garage (technically level 3) and follow that hallway (which they call "Main Street," technically on level 2). Walk past the Midway area and you can't miss us. We will have signs posted. Please arrive early so we can check everyone in before classes begin. We will be issuing wristbands for all participants. The Registration Desk will have staff on hand throughout the day to assist you with any questions or schedule changes.

Ordered 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Merchandise can be picked up at this time.

## Class Attendance

Each class will take attendance using QR code and google forms with unique codes for each class. Instructions will be provided on the day of the event.

## University Midway

Longhorn Council recognizes there are several companies in North Texas who work together with Scouting America. We have invited a number of these companies to attend and will provide an opportunity for you to visit, learn about their mission, and have an opportunity to learn about special product promotions. Community-based service organizations will be on hand so you may learn how you or your scouts may partner with them to serve the needs of the communities. Our Midway does feature prizes and drawings. Make sure you learn the rules and participate.

**New this Year-** Schedule an hour, Periods 1-4, to browse the Midway and count that as a Credit Hour for your degree.

## Guests and Children?

Guests are not allowed. All who attend the University of Scouting must register. There is no accommodation for babysitting, daycare or other means of looking after children. As a courtesy to other attendees and to prevent any disruptions, children are not permitted to attend the event even if accompanied by a parent or guardian. The only exception to this rule is those youth (13 years or older and Rank of 1<sup>st</sup> Class or above) who have registered as participants.



## Degree Program

Longhorn Council is offering a degree program from the University of Scouting to earn your Associate, Bachelor, Master, and Doctorate degrees. To earn your patch, you must complete the requirements set forth in the current Degree Program. Please feel free to complete this application in advance of the event. **The 2025 Degree Application deadline is 1:15 PM Saturday November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025.** Degree Certificates and Patches may be picked up following the closing ceremony.



### YOUTH DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

1. First time Youth - 13 years of age or older
2. Complete Four (4) credits
3. Visit six (6) Midway Booths

### ASSOCIATE DEGREE REQUIREMENTS:

1. Adult Scouter or Youth attending second year
2. Complete five (5) credits
3. Visit nine (9) Midway Booths

### BACHELOR DEGREE REQUIREMENTS:

1. Adult Scouter or Youth attending a third year
2. Received an Associates' Degree from LHC University of Scouting
2. Be a registered Scouter with current Youth Protection Training
3. Earn the BSA "TRAINED" patch for your current position
4. Visit nine (9) Midway Booths
5. Complete an additional five (5) University of Scouting credits for a total of ten (10) credits as a participant or instructor

### MASTER DEGREE REQUIREMENTS:

1. Receive a Bachelor's Degree from LHC University of Scouting
2. Visit nine (9) Midway Booths
3. Bring one (1) new person to LHC University of Scouting to earn their Associate Degree
4. Complete six (6) additional credits as a participant or instructor for a total of sixteen (16) credits
5. Complete three position-related supplemental training courses. Examples include:
  - Cubs:** BALOO, Shooting Sports, Hazardous Weather, Outdoor Leader Skills for Webelos Leaders (OWL), District Committee Training Workshop, Safe Swim Defense, Certified CPR/First Aid course, Trainer's EDGE, and any American Red Cross health and safety course.
  - Scouts/Venturing/Sea Scouts/Explorers:** Merit Badge Counselor Orientation, Intro to Outdoor Leadership Skills (IOLS), Intro to On-the-Water Leader Skills (IOWLS), District Committee Workshop, Trainer's EDGE, BSA Lifeguard, Safe Swim Defense, Safety Afloat, Trek Safely, Climb on Safely, Tread Lightly! Tread Trainer, certified CPR/First Aid course, and any American Red Cross health and safety course.
  - Youth:** ILST, ICST, ILSS, Trainer's EDGE, BSA Lifeguard, Safe Swim Defense, Safety Afloat, Trek Safely, Climb on Safely, certified CPR/First Aid course, and any American Red Cross health and safety course.
6. Show you have completed one (1) of the following: Wood Badge Training, NYLT Training, Powder Horn, Seabadge, Conservation Weekend, Leave No Trace Master Educator, or Aquatic School.

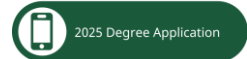
### DOCTORATE DEGREE REQUIREMENTS:

1. Receive a Master's degree from the LHC University of Scouting.
2. Complete four (4) additional course credits as a participant or Instructor for a total of twenty (20) credits.
3. Serve as an instructor, faculty, or support staff in the current year's LHC University of Scouting.
4. Bring ONE participant to the University of Scouting that is working on their Youth or Associate Degree.
5. Show you have completed one (1) of the following: Wood Badge Staff, Powder Horn Staff, NYLT Staff, Leave No Trace, Master Educator Staff, Tread Lightly Master Trainer, Staff, Jamboree, Conservation Weekend Leave No Trace Master Educator, or Aquatic School.

To Apply for a degree, go to

<https://forms.gle/WSsLsMqxajj6opVZ7>

Or use the QR Code



Degree Application deadline is  
1:15 PM Saturday November  
8<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

## Schedule

Saturday, November 08, 2025- 8:00AM-4:45PM- In-Person at TCC Trinity River Campus

**8:00AM-9:00AM:** Registration – Admin Desk Open for Questions

**8:45AM – 8:55AM:** Opening Ceremony

**8:00AM-2:00PM:** Midway

**9:00AM-12:00PM:** Classes

**11:30AM-1:30PM:** Lunch (for purchase in Cafeteria or bring your own) Midway will be open.

**12:00PM** Lunch Period begins

**1:00PM-4:00PM:** Classes

**1:15PM** Degree Applications Due (see page 8 for online application link)

**4:00PM-4:45PM:** Closing Ceremony – Keynote Speaker & Presentation of Doctoral Degrees. Patches and Degrees Certificates may be picked up after the Closing Ceremony.



## Class Codes

Each College is identified by these three letters:

Cub Scouts	<b>CUB</b>	Outdoor Ethics & Conservation	<b>OEC</b>
Scouts BSA	<b>BSA</b>	General Studies	<b>GEN</b>
Venturing/Sea Scouts/Explorers	<b>VSE</b>	Scout Ability	<b>SA</b>
Order of the Arrow	<b>OA</b>	Youth Development	<b>YTH</b>
"NEW" – Midway	<b>MID</b>		

## Developing Your Schedule

When registering online you will select the classes you wish to attend. You will have an option for six different course blocks. Classes are 50 min with 10 min passing but some classes are longer and will be marked.

**REGARDLESS OF YOUR UNIT ROLE OR REGISTRATION, YOU MAY TAKE ANY COURSE AT UNIVERSITY OF SCOUTING**

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Schedule You may use the table below to denote which classes you wish to attend. This will assist you as you register online. Be sure to review classes in ALL COLLEGES!

<b>Build your schedule:</b>				
<b>Period</b>	<b>Start</b>	<b>End</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Choice</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Choice</b>
	8:00 AM	8:50 AM	<b>Check in/Questions/Opening Ceremony</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup>	9:00 AM	9:50 AM		
2 <sup>nd</sup>	10:00 AM	10:50 AM		
3 <sup>rd</sup>	11:00 AM	11:50 AM		
4 <sup>th</sup>	12:00 PM	12:50PM	<b>Lunch</b>	
5 <sup>th</sup>	1:00 PM	1:50 PM		
6 <sup>th</sup>	2:00 PM	2:50 PM		
7 <sup>th</sup>	3:00 PM	3:50 PM		

## Location and Campus Map

Longhorn Council University of Scouting is honored to have Tarrant County College District as our education partner. Trinity River Campus is located at **300 Trinity Campus Circle, Fort Worth, Texas 76102**. Free parking is available in the Parking Garage. Follow the signs when you arrive.



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# 25<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY MERCHANDISE

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## 25th Anniversary Patch - \$10

This 3.5" embroidered patch blends Longhorn Council's new look with vintage flair. A bold tribute to Estote Parati and 25 years of Scouting tradition. Also features a loop for wearing.

Limit 5 per participant



## Student Anniversary Necker - \$25

Mark your place in the 25th year of University of Scouting with this elegant white neckerchief, embroidered with the official logo and printed edge.



## Limited Edition LHC Council Shoulder Patch - \$10

Crafted for collectors and leaders alike, this limited-run CSP merges the spirit of Scouter training with the legacy of the University of Scouting. Only 250 available for purchase.

Limit 1 per Staff Member



## Faculty Anniversary Necker *Faculty*

Only available to authorized staff members volunteering for University of Scouting.