

Welcome to the 2025 Transatlantic Council College of Commissioner Science



**In-Person / Virtual
14 November 2025
8:00 – 17:00**

Location: Berggasthof Königstuhl
Königstuhl 2
Heidelberg, Germany

From the Council Commissioner Jeff Arter and Commissioner College Dean Joseph Schram:

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Dear Commissioners,

It is with immense pride and excitement that we invite you to the 2025 College of Commissioner Science, hosted by the Transatlantic Council on November 14, 2025, in Heidelberg, Germany. This gathering is a cornerstone of our shared mission, offering a dynamic platform to hone your skills, broaden your expertise, and renew your dedication to the Scouting units you serve.

As commissioners, you are the heartbeat of Scouting's support network. Your tireless efforts ensure that units deliver impactful programs that embody Scouting's mission: to prepare young people for a lifetime of ethical and moral decision-making. Far beyond passive observers, you are active mentors, reliable guides, and steadfast champions who empower unit leaders to succeed. Your presence strengthens the foundation of every pack, troop, Ship and crew, fostering environments where Scouts can grow, lead, and thrive.

Your role is pivotal in sustaining vibrant units. Whether you're assisting a Cub Scout pack in refining its den structure, supporting a Scouts troop through leadership transitions, or guiding a Venturing crew or Ship toward high-adventure opportunities, your expertise drives success. By building trusting relationships, you inspire unit leaders to navigate challenges, boost membership, and elevate program quality, ensuring Scouting's lasting impact.

The College of Commissioner Science is designed to empower you with cutting-edge tools, fresh perspectives, and the best practices of Scouting service. From new commissioners to seasoned veterans, our diverse courses cater to all experience levels, equipping you to make an even greater difference. This event is also a chance to forge connections with fellow commissioners, share insights, and cultivate a network that will support your journey in Scouting for years to come.

We are deeply grateful for your unwavering commitment to Scouting's mission. Your countless hours of service create transformative experiences for our youth, shaping them into confident, capable leaders. The Transatlantic Council salutes your dedication and looks forward to a day of inspiration, learning, and camaraderie in Heidelberg.

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Yours in Scouting,



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GENERAL INFORMATION

The 2025 College of Commissioner Science welcomes all Scouters to attend! We will be offering classes in the traditional Bachelors and Masters tracks. In addition to the commissioners, we are inviting everyone from across the Scouting Community. This will be a great time for all non-commissioners to come to learn what commissioner service is all about and how commissioner service may help you succeed better in your Scouting role to provide better unit service.

The College of Commissioner Science provides in-depth knowledge of all the essential aspects of the commissioner's duties and responsibilities. The result is a stronger and more knowledgeable commissioner team serving the units.

Commissioner College offers the opportunity to:

- Learn the information essentials to provide the best service to Scouting units
- Provide fellowship amongst the commissioners
- Reinforce and expand on the lessons learned during previous training
- Provide updates on commissioner service and Scouting

Bachelor Program.

Prerequisites:

- Current registration as a commissioner
- Current Safeguarding Youth Training certificate
- Completion of a Commissioner Basic Training Course

Course Requirements: Completion of seven (7) courses of instruction, including at least five (5) from the National College of Commissioner Science curriculum at the bachelor's level.

The courses are built upon Commissioner Basic Training which should be completed before beginning the Bachelor of Commissioner Science degree program. The courses cover some of the same topics, but they are all covered more in depth and with more student interaction. Bachelor level courses are designed for commissioners that have less than two years of experience in their position

Note: Non-Commissioners are invited to attend and to learn more about Commissioner Corps

Master Program

Prerequisites:

- Current registration as a Commissioner Current Safeguarding Youth Protection Training Certificate
- Completion of Bachelor of Commissioner Science degree
- Earn the Arrowhead Honor

Course Requirements: Completion of seven (7) additional courses of instruction (total of 14), including at least five (5) from the National College of Commissioner Science curriculum at the Master's level.

The courses are more advanced and most beneficial to an experienced commissioner. Again, many of the topics are familiar but are explained in more detail with more student interaction. Master level courses are designed for commissioners that have two or more years in their position, are serving in an administrative capacity, or work with less-than-ideal units.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

The College of Commissioner Science is a uniformed event. Please wear your official Scouting America field uniform.

Online Registration – Online registration is available at: <https://www.scoutingevent.com/802-CCS25>

To ensure the best possibility of attending your desired courses, early registration is essential.

College of Commissioner Science Registration Fees

- The registration fee is **\$50**
- Virtual participants fees are **\$20**
- **Note: Deadline for registration is midnight, 09 November 2025.**

Included with full Registration –

- The in-person registration fee includes venue expenses, event patch, course material access, certificate and administrative costs.
- Virtual participants fees include an event patch, digital course material access, certificate and administrative cost

Lodging: For those desiring to attend in person from out of town, lodging has been arranged at Berggasthof Königstuhl, Königstuhl 2, 69117 Heidelberg, Germany. Individual guests may contact the hotel by sending an email to info@gasthof-koenigstuhl.de or call +49 6221 4160300 to facilitate booking their own room. Reference "Transatlantic" to get the room rates. The prices are:

- 139,00 € for a single bed
- 159,00 € for a double bed

Breakfast is available for 17,00 € per person. Indicate how many people will want breakfast when making your reservation.

Opening Ceremony – On Friday morning, all participants will meet in the main room where they will be welcomed by the Transatlantic Council leadership, Council Commissioner and College Dean. There will be a short welcoming, with an inspirational message from TAC leadership. Participants will receive pertinent information in regard to the day's activities, and any other last-minute details will be available.

Virtual Link

TAC College of Commissioner Science

Time: Friday, 14 November 2025 @ 08:00 AM Heidelberg (CET)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87089388946?pwd=7XPJn70u4qKgqGyS4j39UT2sDhF63x.1>

Meeting ID: 870 8938 8946

Passcode: 635377

Class Schedules, Patches, Diplomas, and Certificates – Problems with registration should be directed to the dean. Students will receive a 2025 Commissioner College patch at registration check-in or in the mail for virtual participants. **Please ensure you download and print the schedule for your college class in advance.** Participants must check the **online folder for each class to ensure they have** the pertinent material for their classes. Failure to certify prerequisites on your registration could delay your certificate.

College Dean and Instructors/Staff – ALL instructors/staff **MUST** check in with the course dean prior to the opening assembly. Staff fee is the same as the participants fee and includes all classes, event patch, staff gift, certificate and administrative costs. Staff may choose to register to attend classes.

Event Postponement/Refund Policy – If the Commissioner College is postponed due to uncontrollable circumstances, we will attempt to reschedule the event. If the event cannot be rescheduled, you may choose to obtain a partial refund (less **15% handing fee** for administrative cost and encumbered expenses). Refund requests must be in writing and submitted to TAC by 01 November 2025. Refunds may be granted for sickness (with physician's statement), or death in the family. Refunds will be mailed by the end of November.

Trading Posts – We will endeavor to have some items from past colleges for sale on-site.

2025 Commissioners College Agenda

08:00 – 08:30	Registration / Opening Session
08:30 – 08:35	Greetings: TAC College Commissioner Science Dean Joseph Schram
08:35 – 08:40	Flag Ceremony & Invocation
08:40 – 08:45	Welcome & Introduction: TAC Council Commissioner Jeff Arter
08:45 – 08:50	TAC Scout Executive: Joshua Dick
08:50 – 09:00	TAC Council President: Dan Coberly
09:00 - 09:50	Session 1 Classes
10:00 - 10:50	Session 2 Classes
11:00 - 11:50	Session 3 Classes
11:50 - 13:00	Lunch & Guest Speaker
13:00 - 13:50	Session 4 Classes
14:00 - 14:50	Session 5 Classes
14:50 – 15:10	Break
15:10 - 16:00	Session 6 Classes
16:10 - 17:00	Session 7 Classes
17:00 - 17:15	Closing Ceremony