

THE COLLEGE OF COMMISSIONER SCIENCE

Welcome to the 4th Annual College of Commissioner Science! This one-day training conference is designed for potential, new, and "seasoned" commissioners. Training is patterned after the normal college curriculum in which there are Bachelor through Doctorate levels. This event is a joint effort of three Boy Scout councils—Alabama-Florida, Gulf Coast & Suwannee River Area.

This College of Commissioner Science is hosted by the Gulf Coast Council at the Deane Bozeman School (13410 Hwy 77 Panama City, FL 32409) The minimal registration fee covers the costs associated with course materials, printing, lunch, certificates and awards. The college is open to all adults registered with the Boy Scouts of America who have a genuine desire to develop their knowledge, skills, and competence for effective commissioner service; and, to use that training to ensure that the very best Scouting programs are offered to the youth members in their Councils.

The selected curriculum is designed to motivate degree candidates to reach their full potential by offering the very latest training information available. The format offers the opportunity to earn one degree each year (Bachelor or Masters) Those candidates who have completed the 3rd year of instruction and their Doctoral Thesis are eligible to earn their Doctorate of Commissioner Science degree.

The faculty and staff are composed of knowledgeable and motivated adult Scouters from the 3 Council areas. Instructors provide leadership and classroom training for new and experienced commissioners.

This catalog contains information about the specific requirements for the degree programs, and a listing of the official course numbers and their descriptions. By carefully studying the catalog, a participant is able to plan a curriculum that best suits his/her needs. By setting and attaining individual training goals, a commissioner is better prepared to serve the units that he/she represents. We urge you to pre-register for the college using the registration form found in this catalog. This will help us to ensure that we have adequate course materials on hand, and lunch reserved for you.

Harold Turner

Alabama-Florida Council
Council Commissioner



Betsy Werre

Gulf Coast Council
Council Commissioner



Doc Horton

Suwannee River Area Council
Council Commissioner



WHEN: AUGUST 28, 2010 - REGISTRATION BEGINS: 7:45AM - CLASSES 8:30AM - 5:00PM CDST

WHERE: DEANE BOZEMAN SCHOOL PRE K-12 13410 HWY 77, PANAMA CITY, FL 32409

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FEE: \$15.00 REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES: LUNCH AND COURSE MATERIALS. LATE FEE \$5 IF PAID AFTER 8/14/10.

ON-SITE REGISTRATION WILL BE \$25.00. PLEASE REGISTER EARLY TO ENSURE WE HAVE ADEQUATE MATERIALS ON-HAND.

UNIFORM: THE PROPER SCOUT UNIFORM FOR YOUR REGISTERED SCOUTING POSITION IS APPROPRIATE FOR THE COURSE.

SCOUT SHOP: SELECT COMMISSIONER ITEMS & MATERIALS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE DURING THE DAY.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: AUGUST 14, 2010

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS CONCERNING THIS TRAINING OPPORTUNITY, CONTACT YOUR COUNCIL COMMISSIONER.

Mail complete registration form & fee to:

**GULF COAST COUNCIL, BSA
9440 University Parkway,
Pensacola, FL 32514**

BACHELOR'S DEGREE COURSES

- BCS 101** **Introduction to Commissioner Science** - An overview of commissioner service and the most important resource—The Commissioner Fieldbook. (*bring your Fieldbook with you*)
- BCS 102** **Unit Charter Renewal** - Review a program plan for reregistering Scouting units on time with minimal loss in membership and leaders. Learn to facilitate and achieve on-time charter renewal.
- BCS 103** **The Commissioner & The District** - Discuss interaction with the district executive and district committee. Gain understanding to district and council operations.
- BCS 104** **Unit Visitation** - Provides participants with insights on effective unit visits, what to look for, and how to be a help – not a hindrance.
- BCS 108** **Effective Roundtables I** - Covers basic roundtable ingredients, planning cycle, and resource materials. Designed for Roundtable commissioners and staff.
- BCS 109** **Effective Roundtables II** - Designed for roundtable commissioners and roundtable staff. Members as a continuation of **BCS 108**. Covers promotion and publicity, roundtable location, and a variety of morale builders.
- BCS 110** **Commissioner Style** - Presents important qualities of commissioner diplomacy, a concept of “exceptional service,” thoughts about “roots and wings,” service recover, and explains how to remove a volunteer
- BCS 114** **Good Commissioner & Professional Relationships** - This special partnership is the core of Scouting success at a council/district level. Learn the qualities and tips that make this relationship work well.
- BCS 116** **The Spectrum of Autism** This course focuses on learning disorders and the importance of helping units to deal with youth with disabilities. Also discusses how a commissioner can assist in helping their units work with youth and families with disabilities.
- BCS 117** **Selecting Quality Leaders** This course focuses on the selection of quality leaders. The role of a commissioner is to help the unit follow this process to ensure the unit selects the best possible leadership for their unit.



BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENTS:

- Completion of Commissioner Basic Training
- Complete a total of 7 courses
(at least 5 at the bachelor's program level)

MASTERS DEGREE REQUIREMENTS:

- Completion of Bachelors Degree
- Complete 7 additional courses
(at least 5 at the Masters program level)

DOCTORATE DEGREE REQUIREMENTS:

- Completion of master's degree
- Completion of 10 additional courses
(At least 5 from the doctorate program level.)
- Completion of Doctorate Thesis approved by your Council Commissioner

MASTER'S DEGREE COURSES

- MCS 301** **No-Lapse/No-Drop Commitment** - Explore why units lapse or drop and how to prevent it, how to develop a no-lapse/no-drop plan for a district, and why this is so important.
- MCS 302** **Unit Finance** - An overview of the unit budget plan, who pays for Scouting at all levels, a variety of successful unit money-earning projects, and how to help units with special financial needs.
- MCS 304** **Commissioner Lifesaving II** - This is an in-depth continuation of MCS 303, dealing with the seven unit “hurry cases.”
- MCS 306** **Counseling Skills** - Presents counseling as an effective method for commissioners to help units succeed. It covers many elements of good counseling.
- MCS 307** **Webelos-to-Scout Transition (Retaining Scouts)** - Important ways commissioners can help ensure our Cubs transition from a Cub Scout pack to a Boy Scout troop.
- MCS 308** **Venturing & The Commissioner** -The best methods of serving Venturing Crews with information and support.
- MCS 401** **Just for ADC's** - This session emphasizes the importance of the Assistant District Commissioner, his or her responsibilities, effective ADC people skills, and the evaluation of his or her work.
- MCS 402** **Recruiting New Commissioners** - A bread-and-butter session for all commissioners with steps to recruit commissioners, group recruiting techniques, and prospect sources.
- MCS 403** **Orienting & Training Commissioners** – covers all aspects of commissioner training, including new commissioner orientation, basic training, Arrowhead Honor, the Commissioner's Key, and continuing education.
- MCS 404** **Advanced Roundtable** - This master's level course more closely examines the leadership aspect of successful District Roundtables and Forums programs.

DOCTORATE DEGREE COURSES

- DCS 601** **Selecting a Thesis/ Research Project Topic** - This session introduces the participants to the thesis project, discusses what constitutes a good thesis or research topic, and helps them select their general thesis topic
- DCS 602** **Limiting the Scope of The Topic** - Participants receive help in reducing the thesis topic to workable size and ideas for thesis/project re-search.
- DCS 603** **Developing the Thesis Outline and Writing the Report** - Covers the thesis outline and a variety of suggestions for writing and revising the report.
- DCS 604** **Thesis Workshop** - This course is for those who feel they need more help getting started on or completing their thesis.
- DCS 611** **Considering Spouse & Family** - Suggests ways to enhance family relations and resolve family conflicts regarding Scouting. Discusses how spouses can receive recognition from Scouting.
- DCS 620** **Assessing Council & District Health** - Signs to look for which indicate that a Council or District may be failing to perform its role in delivering quality program to the youth. Looks at staffing and the relationship between \$, Manpower, Membership & Program.
- DCS 701** **Beyond BCS 114 –The Commissioner & Professional Relationship** - Learn more about the relationship between the commissioner and the professional. How can the two work closely together to reach a common goal of providing quality service to units.
- DCS 715** **Quality District** - Learn about “Elements of Being a Quality District—to ensure success in every area, what does it take?”

COLLEGE OF COMMISSIONER SCIENCE REGISTRATION:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Council: _____ District: _____

Current Registered BSA Position (Select One) :

- Unit Commissioner Asst. District Commissioner District Commissioner
 Roundtable Commissioner Roundtable Staff Other _____

Have you completed Commissioner Basic Training? Yes _____ No _____ Date: _____

Any Previous College of Commissioner Science Degree Earned: _____

Name on your nametag/recognition: (if different than above) _____

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Note: Each Class is offered only once during the day, make sure you are selecting only 1 choice per class period

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6	Circle 1 from this row →	BCS 110	MCS 402	BCS 102	DCS 620
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