Atlanta Area Council College of Commissioner Science

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Q: Who can attend the College of Commissioner Science?

A: Anyone can attend. However, to get credit towards the Doctorate of Commissioner Science, you need to be a registered Scouter.

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Q: What are the pre-requisites? Do I need Commissioner Basic Training to attend?

A: Successful completion of one of the Commissioner Basic Training classes is strongly encouraged, but not required. Most classes do not have any prerequisites, and those that do will have them noted in the class description.

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Q: What are the requirements for each degree of the College of Commissioner Science?

A: The requirements for each degree are outlined in the Progress Record for the Doctorate of Commissioner Science Award and in the <u>Administration of Commissioner Service</u> manual, starting on page 118 of the 2011 printing.

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Q: What do I do if I've lost my Progress Record for the Doctorate of Commissioner Science Award and/or don't remember the classes I've taken previously?

A: Contact the Dean of the College. We will do our best to help you reconstruct your transcript. We do have several years of registrations to work with. You can download a blank <u>Progress Record for here</u>.

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- Q: How do I choose classes? Do I have to stay on the same degree track as previous years?
- A: First, identify the classes that will help you the most in your role as a commissioner. You can take any mix of classes you want. For example, you do not have to take ONLY roundtable classes if you are a roundtable commissioner. And you do not have to take only Bachelor level classes if you are working towards your BS degree.

Next, if you are working towards a degree, adjust your selection to fulfill the class requirements for your next degree level.

Contact the Dean if you need additional advice on class selections.

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- Q: Can I attend a College of Commissioner Science from another Council or more than one a year? Will those classes count towards my degree?
- A: Yes, you can attend any College of Commissioner Science that you'd like and as often as you'd like. The classes will count towards your degree as long as they aren't duplicates. See the list of <u>College of Commissioner Science events</u> on the <u>BSA Commissioner Training</u> webpage.

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- Q: What is the attire? What do I need to bring?
- A: The College of Commissioner Science is a Field Uniform (Class A) event. You should also bring:
 - Your Progress Record for the Doctorate of Commissioner Science Award.
 - Something to take notes, such as pen and paper, iPad or tablet, etc.
 - You are also encouraged to bring your own water bottle and/or coffee cup.

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- Q: When should I arrive? Do I have to stay all day?
- A: You can attend as much of the College as you'd like. To get the most out of the event, you'll want to attend the full day from opening through the closing. The specific times should be noted in the information for each College event. Be sure to allow adequate time for travel, parking and finding the site. Note that you will only get credit for the classes that you actually attend and you will not get any discounts for attending only part of the day.

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- Q: Do staff or instructors get a discount?
- A: No. The cost of the event is the same for everyone as it covers meals and incidentals that apply to all. However, instructors can be reimbursed for any reasonable pre-approved costs related to their class.

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- Q: How do I get an advisor for my project/thesis if I'm from out of council?
- A: Contact the Dean of the College if you are from out of council and will be in need of an advisor for your project/thesis. We will work with you to find a suitable advisor.