**Gateway Region**

**2021 College of Commissioner Science**

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**General Information**

**Date: Saturday, March 6th, 2021**

**Location: VIRTUAL**

**Times: Check-in Saturday morning from 7:45 AM – 8:00 AM**

**Program begins at 8:15 AM, concludes before 5:00 PM**

**Registration:** Pre-registration is required. The website [https:/scoutingevent.com/312-2021GatewayCCS](https://www.scoutingevent.com/312-2020GatewayRegionCCS) will become active on 02 November 2020. The college tuition is $15. Tuition includes course materials and awards!

**Featured Speaker**

**Mike Weber Central Region Commissioner**

**Board of Regents**

College Dean John Petersen \* Greater St. Louis Area Council

Assistant Dean Mark Balbes \* Greater St. Louis Area Council

Dean Administration Joseph Bradley Greater St. Louis Area Council

Dean Basic Program Kris Mertens Greater St. Louis Area Council

Dean Bachelor Program Paul Kessler Greater St. Louis Area Council

Dean Master’s Program Libby Quinlan Greater St. Louis Area Council

Dean Roundtable Bachelor Kathleen Gaare-Wiese Greater St. Louis Area Council

Dean Backup George Kunkel \* Greater St. Louis Area Council

Dean Continuing Education Chris Speigel \* Greater St. Louis Area Council

Dean Post Grad/PhD Todd Oberg \* Abraham Lincoln Council

Staff Advisor Robbie Linder Greater St. Louis Area Council

Staff Advisor David Lane Greater St. Louis Area Council

Dean Emeritus Carm Walgamott \* Area 3 Commissioner

Dean Emeritus Roger Engelbart \* Greater St. Louis Area Council

\* Doctor of Commissioner Science

Commissioner College provides advanced training and information for adult leaders. Specific training is provided for Unit Commissioners, District, and Assistant District Commissioners and their staffs, as well as other Unit, District, and Council Leaders. All adult leaders should find the experience rewarding.

We offer Commissioner Basic Training, Bachelors, Masters, Post Graduate and Doctoral Programs. New Commissioners should complete the Commissioner Basic Training before attending the Bachelors Program. Experienced Scouters should enjoy networking opportunities along with program updates.

COMMISSIONER BASIC TRAINING - The commissioner is the liaison between the local council and Scouting units. The commissioner’s mission is to keep units operating at maximum efficiency, maintain regular contact with unit leaders, counsel leaders on where to find assistance, note weaknesses in programs, and suggest remedies. The commissioner is successful when units effectively deliver the ideas of Scouting to their members. This course will provide the basic information and recourses for the new commissioner. (This course will be conducted during the morning sessions)

BACHELOR’S DEGREE - This is the first degree in the series. If you do not have a commissioner “degree”, you should register for the Bachelor’s program. This session will contain topics related to unit visitation and helping units succeed, as well as basic roundtable administration. Topics covered will help you to fine tune your skills for helping units provide a successful program.

MASTER’S DEGREE - This program is for those who already hold a Bachelor’s Degree. Topics are more advanced, and build on the Bachelor’s program. As with the Bachelor’s Degree, unit service as well as roundtable topics will be included.

ROUNDTABLE – This program will offer Bachelors and Masters Degrees with a Roundtable focus.

POST GRADUATE AND DOCTORAL PROGRAMS- This program is designed is for those who already hold a Master’s Degree. Topics are more advanced, and build on the Master’s program. A commissioner learns through a series of training classes, followed by work experiences, to ensure a quality program throughout Scouting. This training will take a number of years to complete. The commissioner finalizes his or her training with an approved thesis or project for the benefit of the Scouting program. The completion of a minimum of ten (10) additional courses of instruction not used to qualify for other college awards (total of 24), at least five (5) of the courses at the doctor’s program level as listed in the Continuing Education for Commissioners section of this manual.

**DRESS CODE: Dress for the College of Commissioner Science is scouting appropriate attire.**

Please feel free to pass this information on to all Scouters in your area. Although the basic curriculum is general to the needs of Commissioners, there is much to offer for anyone involved in the Scouting Program. Other participants also gain from the experiences that each Scouter brings to the classes.

College of Commissioner Science  
2021 CLASS SCHEDULE  
VirtualSATURDAY, March 6, 2021

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| 7:00 – 8:00 AM  8:15 – 8:45 AM | Registration Opening/Welcome | Zoom Zoom |
| 9:00 – 9:40 AM | Session #1 | Assigned Classroom / Zoom |
| 9:50 – 10:30 AM | Session #2 | Assigned Classrooms / Zoom |
| 10:40 – 11:20 AM | Session #3 | Assigned Classrooms / Zoom |
| 11:30 – 12:10 PM | Session #4 | Assigned Classrooms / Zoom |
| 12:15 – 12:40 PM | Lunch |  |
| 12:45 – 1:30 PM | Joint Session Speaker Session #5 | Zoom |
| 1:40 – 2:20 PM | Session #6 | Assigned Classrooms / Zoom |
| 2:30 – 3:10 PM | Session #7 | Assigned Classrooms / Zoom |
| 3:20 – 4:00 PM | Session #8 | Assigned Classrooms / Zoom |
| 4:15 PM | GRADUATION | Zoom |

*The program should conclude before 5:00 PM.*

**Course Offerings**

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| **Bachelor's Program** | |
| **Time** | **Session** |
| Session 1 - 9:00 am | BCS 101 – Core Concepts of Commissioner Service |
|  | BCS 117 - Commissioner & Unit Key 3 |
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| Session 2 - 9:50 am | BCS 102 Supporting Timely Charter Renewal |
|  | BCS 106 Coaching Leaders |
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| Session 3 - 10:40 am | BCS 103 Linking District Resources |
|  | BCS 117 Commissioner & Unit Key 3 |
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| Session 4 - 11:30 am | BCS 104 Contacting Units |
|  | BCS 114 Understanding and Communicating with Today’s Leaders |
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| Session 5 - 12:15 pm | Lunch / Speaker |
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| Session 6 - 1:40 pm | BCS 105 Resolving Common Unit Issues |
|  | BCS 116 Collaborative Assessments or BCS – 118 Special Needs |
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| Session 7 - 2:30 pm | BCS 107 Journey To Excellence |
|  | BCS 106 Coaching Leaders |
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| Session 8 - 3:20 pm | BCS 108 Mining Internet Resources |
|  | BCS 112 Recruiting Unit Commissioners What Would You Do? |

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|  | **Master’s Program** |
| **Time** | **Session** |
| Session 1 - 9:00 am | MCS 303 Managing Unit Service at the District Level Commissioner Lifesaving Part 1 |
|  | MCS 312 Recruiting a Commissioner Team |
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| Session 2 - 9:50 am | MCS 304 Commissioner Service to Units at Risk Commissioner Lifesaving Part 2 |
|  | MCS 313 Onboarding New Commissioners |
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| Session 3 - 10:40 am | MCS 305 Resolving Critical Issues |
|  | MCA 314 The commissioner and the Professional |
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| Session 4 - 11:30 am | MCS 316 Mentoring Skills |
|  | MCS 315 Effective Unit Service in Rural Communities |
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| Session 5 - 12:15 pm | Lunch / Speaker |
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| Session 6 - 1:40 pm | MCS 316 Developing the Unit Service Plan (2 hours0 |
|  | MCS 309 Good Commissioners Need Both Head and Heart |
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| Session 7 - 2:30 pm | MCS 311 All About the ADC’s Role |
|  | MCS 351 How to Conduct the Annual Planning Session |
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| Session 8 - 3:20 pm | MCS |
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| **Roundtable Program** | |
| **Time** | **Session** |
| Session 1 - 9:00 am | BCS 100 Roundtable Commissioner Basic Training |
|  | MCS 350 Unit and Roundtable Commissioner Working Together |
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| Session 2 - 9:50 am | BCS 150 Roundtables in Commissioner Service |
|  | MCS 353 The Cub Scout Breakout |
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| Session 3 - 10:40 am | BCS 151 The Roundtable Commissioner Team |
|  | MCS 354 The Scouts BSA Breakout |
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| Session 4 - 11:30 am | BCS 153 Roundtable and Commissioner Tools |
|  | MCS 352 Roundtable is Over, Now What |
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| Session 5 - 12:15 pm | Lunch / Speaker |
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| Session 6 - 1:40 pm | BCS 154 Cub Scout Roundtable |
|  | MCS 351 How to Conduct the Annual Planning Session |
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| Session 7 - 2:30 pm | BCS 155 Scouts BSA Roundtable |
|  | MCS 358 Roundtables and Solving Unit Problems |
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| Session 8 - 3:20 pm | BCS 156 Recruiting, Training and Recognizing the Roundtable Team |
|  | MCS 450 Virtual Roundtables - Local course byTecumseh Council |

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| **Continuing Education Program** | |
| **Time** | **Session** |
| Session 1 - 9:00 am | CED 832 Psychology Behind Adult Conflict Part 1 |
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| Session 2 - 9:50 am | CED 832 Psychology Behind Adult Conflict Part 2 |
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| Session 3 - 10:40 am | CED 890 Fundamentals of Exploring |
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| Session 4 - 11:30 am | CED 891 Commissioner Service to Exploring Posts |
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| Session 5 - 12:15 pm | Lunch / Speaker |
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| Session 6 - 1:40 pm | CED 712 Friendstorming and Recruiting Commissioners |
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| Session 7 - 2:30 pm | CED 831 STEM in Scouting for Commissioners |
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| Session 8 - 3:20 pm | CED 713 Advancement for Scouts with Special Needs – The Commissioners Role |
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**PLEASE NOTE:**

**- Post Graduate / Doctoral Training course is a set block of courses.**

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| **Doctorate Program** | |
| **Time** | **Session** |
| Session 1 - 9:00 am | DCS 521 Doctorate Thesis Block |
|  | DCS 522 Thesis/Project Defense Presentation |
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| Session 2 - 9:50 am | DCS 521 Doctorate Thesis Block |
|  | DCS 522 Thesis/Project Defense Presentation |
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| Session 3 - 10:40 am | DCS 521 Doctorate Thesis Block |
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| Session 4 - 11:30 am | DCS 521 Doctorate Thesis Block |
|  | DCS 522 Thesis/Project Defense Presentation |
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| Session 5 - 12:15 pm | Lunch / Speaker |
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| Session 6 - 1:40 pm | DCS 512 Commissioner Recruiting Workshop |
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| Session 7 - 2:30 pm | DCS 504 Project/Thesis Open Workshop Forum |
|  | DCS 516 Succeeding With The Unit Service Plan |
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| Session 8 - 3:20 pm | DCS 504 Project/Thesis Open Workshop Forum |
|  | DCS 514 Building Meaningful Relationships |

**- Commissioner Basic Training course is a set block of courses during the morning sessions. Participants should select afternoon courses of interest to begin Bachelors work.**

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| **Basic Training Program** | |
| 9 - 12:15 pm | CBT 100 - Commissioner Basic Training (D20) |
| 1:40 – 4.00 pm | CBT 101 – ADC / DC Basic Training (D18) |

**Degree Requirements**

**Bachelor of Commissioner**

**Science Degree (BCS)**

**Prerequisites**

* Maintain registration in any capacity as a commissioner during the entire training program listed below.
* Completion of commissioner orientation (*Commissioner Fieldbook for Unit Service* and Commissioner Fast Start).
* Completion of Commissioner Basic Training.

**Course Requirements**

* Completion of seven courses of instruction, at least five of the courses at the bachelor’s program level.

**Performance**

* Approval of council or assigned assistant council commissioner.
* Approval of Scout executive or adviser to commissioner service.

**Master of Commissioner**

**Science Degree (MCS)**

**Prerequisites**

* Completion of bachelor’s degree or have been awarded the Commissioner’s Key.
* Earned Arrowhead Honor.
* Current registration as a commissioner.

**Course Requirements**

* Completion of seven additional courses of instruction (total of 14), at least seven of the courses at the master’s program level.
* Roundtable focus requires

14 Roundtable courses

**Performance**

* Approval of council commissioner or assistant council commissioner.
* Approval of Scout executive or staff adviser for commissioner service.

**Doctor of Commissioner**

**Science Degree (DCS)**

**Prerequisites**

* Completion of master’s degree.
* Have been awarded the Commissioner’s Key.
* Current registration as a commissioner.

**Course Requirements**

* Completion of 10 additional courses of instruction not used to qualify for other college awards (total of 24), at least five of the courses at the doctor’s program level.

**Thesis or Project**

* Completion of a thesis or project on any topic  
  of value to Scouting in the local council.
* The topic and final paper or project must be approved by the dean of the doctor’s program and the staff adviser.

**Performance**

* Serve on the College of Commissioner Science faculty(instructor or support staff ) for at least one year.
* Recruit at least three new commissioners.
* Approval of council commissioner or assistant council commissioner.
* Approval of Scout executive or staff adviser for commissioner service.