

Doctorate Course Descriptions 2018

Course Number	Course Title	Audience	Course Description	Learning Objectives
501	Selecting Your Project or Thesis Topic	All Commissioners seeking their Doctorate	This session assists doctoral candidates in selecting their project or thesis concept.	<p>Identify what constitutes a good topic or focus area</p> <p>Distinguish between a project and thesis</p> <p>Describe DCS Degree and Knot requirements</p>
502	Limiting the Scope the Topic	All Commissioners seeking their Doctorate	Doctoral candidates explore various procedures to reduce their topic to a workable size. A suggested approval process will also be shared.	<p>Select a specific project / thesis topic</p> <p>Complete S.M.A.R.T. analysis for a selected topic</p>
503	Developing Your Project or Thesis	All Commissioners seeking their Doctorate	This session covers the project or thesis outline and a variety of suggestions for writing and revising the report.	<p>Identify the main parts of a project report / thesis</p> <p>Develop a first draft outline</p> <p>Identify methods of gathering information</p> <p>Give examples of common writing errors to be avoided when writing the project report or thesis</p>
504	Project / Thesis Open Workshop Forum	All Commissioners seeking their Doctorate	This Q and A open forum provides doctoral candidates an opportunity to review completed projects and theses instilling confidence that this task is attainable.	<p>Describe challenges / solutions faced by Doctors of Commissioner Science</p> <p>Evaluate other possible topics for project or thesis</p> <p>Discover possible solutions to concerns during Q & A period</p>

506	Coaching for Administrative Commissioners	All Administrative Commissioners Suggested prerequisites BCS 106 and MCS 306 Follow up with DCS 514	Coaching and mentoring are complimentary efforts focused on supporting the highest level of service for administrative commissioners. This class will focus on coaching skills for administrative commissioners.	Understand the difference in coaching and mentoring. Discuss the fundamental elements of coaching admin commissioners. Examine coaching's relationship to building strong relationships.
512	Commissioner Recruiting Workshop	All Administrative Commissioners Suggested prerequisites BCS 112 and MCS 312 Follow up with DCS 514	This session is designed to discuss best practices for recruiting administrative commissioners	Decide who will be part of the recruiting group. Define the position(s). Familiarize the group with the expectations of the position. Construct a list of skills that are necessary for effective completion of the assigned task. Use old and current commissioner lists to construct a prospect list. Determine who has this set of skills. Is their someone already doing the job without a title?
514	Building Meaningful Relationships	All Commissioners	Commissioner service is all about relationships. This session suggests ways in which commissioners may go about building and maintaining positive relationships with those they serve. It also discusses possible pitfalls that can undermine relationships .	Develop a top ten list that people seek in a positive relationship. Explain one way to measure relationships. Explore possible pitfalls to avoid - actions or inactions that can put stress on relationships. Explain how to rebuild a stressed relationship

516	<p>Succeeding With the Unit Service Plan</p>	<p>Administrative Commissioners</p> <p>Suggested prerequisites 116 and 316</p> <p>BCS MCS</p>	<p>The Unit Service Plan is the roadmap to unit success. With appropriate guidance the commissioner staff can provide significant unit assistance. The district administrative commissioners will need comprehensive data to set the course for unit success across the district.</p>	<p>Understand the Unit Service Plan from the district point of view.</p> <p>Discover the many sources of detailed unit performance information.</p> <p>Understand the relationship of the district committee and unit success.</p> <p>Discover methods to confirm unit performance over time.</p>
605	<p>The Commissioner and Scout Camp</p>	<p>All Commissioners</p>	<p>This session explores the role of the unit commissioner in serving his/her units during times when the unit(s) may be attending Summer camp.</p> <p>NOTE: This course <u>does not</u> meet Camp Commissioner Training requirements.</p>	<p>Explore the role of the commissioner at camp. Explain how the commissioner might assist a unit with pre-camp preparations.</p> <p>Understand how a commissioner might assist the camp commissioner.</p>