

College of Commissioner Science 2018 Course Descriptions
Doctorate Degree Listing

Course #	Title	Description/objective	Some of what the participant will learn
DCS 501	Selecting a Thesis / Project Topic	This session introduces the participants to the thesis or project.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What constitutes a good topic or project • Difference between thesis and project, and associated reports • Help in selecting the general topic • Preliminary steps and approval process
DCS 502	Limiting the Scope of the Topic	Participants receive help in reducing the thesis/project topic to a workable size and get ideas for their thesis or project research.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Select a viable thesis/project • Methods used to limit the scope and size • Methods of gathering information for thesis/project.
DCS 503	Developing the Thesis / Project	This session covers the thesis/project outline and a variety of suggestions for writing and revising the report.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Important parts of a thesis/project report. • Doing the research or project • Writing the thesis or project report
DCS 504	Thesis – Project Workshop	This course is for those who feel they need more help getting started on or completing their thesis/project.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scouters who have completed their DCS will discuss their challenges and solutions • Question and Answer period. • Evaluate possible topics for your thesis / project, and select your topic.
DCS 506	Coaching for Administrative Commissioners	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.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand the difference in coaching and mentoring. • Discuss the fundamental elements of coaching admin commissioners. • Examine coaching's relationship to building strong relationships.
DCS 512	Commissioner Recruiting Workshop	This session is designed to discuss best practices for recruiting administrative commissioners	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 there someone already doing the job without a title?
DCS 514	The Commissioner and the Professional	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?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Importance of building relationships between volunteers and professionals • Review how professionals are evaluated for their achievements and how volunteers relate to those achievements.