



***Progress Record for  
Doctorate of  
Commissioner Science  
Knot Award***



***Name:***

***Address:***

***Phone/Email:***

***District:***

***Council:***

***BSA Member ID:***

***The Doctorate of Commissioner Science Knot Award recognizes the completion of a standardized training program including a thesis or project, the awarding of the Doctorate of Commissioner Science from a College of Commissioner Science, and the achievement of performance objectives to improve Unit Service.***

***Prerequisites for the Doctorate of Commissioner Science Knot Award include:***

- Current registration as a commissioner
- Current BSA Youth Protection Training Certificate
- Completion of Doctorate of Commissioner Science degree
- Completion of 5 years of service in one or more positions (does not need to be consecutive) as a commissioner
- Recruit or assist in recruiting at least 3 new commissioners

***Completion Date:***

***Requirements:***

***Bachelor of Commissioner Science Degree***

***Prerequisite:***

- Completion of Basic Training Course including Onboarding

***Course Requirements:***

- Completion of seven (7) courses of instruction, including at least five (5) courses from the National College of Commissioner Science Curriculum at the Bachelor's level. The remaining two (2) courses can be national or locally created courses and focus on unit service.
- Performance  
Approval of council commissioner or designee.

***Completion Date:***

## ***Master of Commissioner Science Degree***

### ***Prerequisites***

- Completion of Bachelor's Degree
- Earn Arrowhead Honor

### ***Course Requirements***

- Completion of seven (7) additional courses of instruction (total of 14), including at least five (5) courses from the National College of Commissioner Science Curriculum at the Master's level. The remaining two (2) courses can be national or locally created courses and focus on unit service.
- Performance  
Approval of council commissioner or designee.

***Completion Date:***

## ***Doctor of Commissioner Science Degree***

### ***Prerequisites***

- Completion of Master's Degree
- Earn Commissioner's Key

### ***Course Requirements***

- Completion of ten (10) additional courses of instruction (total of 24), including at least five (5) courses from the National College of Commissioner Curriculum at the Doctorate level. The remaining five (5) courses can be national or locally created courses and focus on unit service. CED courses can also qualify. Elective courses may not have been previously applied toward your Bachelor's or Master's degrees.
- Thesis or Project  
Complete a thesis or project on any topic of value to unit service in the local council. The topic and final paper must be approved by the council commissioner (or designee) or the dean of the doctorate program **and** the staff advisor for commissioner service.
- Performance
  - Serve on a College of Commissioner Science faculty (instructor or support staff) or participate in training commissioners for at least one year.
  - Approval of council commissioner or designee.

***Completion Date:***

***Approved by:***

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***Council Commissioner/Designee***

***Date:***

### ***Recognition Items:***

- Doctorate of Commissioner Science Knot Award Certificate
  - Template available on the Awards and Recognition page of the Commissioner's website at Scouting.org.
- Doctorate of Commissioner Science Knot Award Knot (#18093)