

UTAH NATIONAL PARKS COUNCIL



University of Scouting Degree Program

2015 Edition



UNPC University of Scouting Degree Program

The University of Scouting degrees provide Scouters a structured program in which they can advance and be rewarded with degrees and titles for each level of achievement. They also can gain a stronger sense of self-worth and a better understanding of their increasing value to the Scouting community. The atmosphere is one of fun and fellowship, but there's also an attitude of respect for the importance of the event . . .

It's all about the youth.

Students are inspired to return each year, not only to learn and earn higher degrees, but also to share their experiences with fellow students. And the atmosphere of camaraderie and school spirit invigorates the students, inspiring them to return home and share their enthusiasm with Scouts and other leaders. These degree programs are designed to provide an incentive for continued training and as a method to recognize Scouters who participate in that training.

The University of Scouting offers Bachelors and Masters degrees in five home Colleges:

- Cub Scouting
- Boy Scouting
- Varsity Scouting
- Venturing
- General Studies

Important: Commissioner Science degrees may only be earned at College of Commissioner Science events.

There are also two Doctorate degree programs available in the Utah National Parks Council:

- Doctorate of Scouting—available at University of Scouting
- Doctorate of Commissioner Science—available only at College of Commissioner Science events.

Degree requirements for credit hours are satisfied by taking courses in the Utah National Parks Council's University of Scouting. Instructors/faculty may receive a one-time only credit for teaching a specific course at the University of Scouting. Only courses from UoS 2013 and newer count toward these degree programs.

Degree candidates are encouraged to submit their degree applications at any time during the year rather than wait until the day of the University of Scouting. Applications should be sent to the Vice Chancellor of Administration. You may submit your application the day of University of Scouting at the registration desk, but we will not be able to process that day and we will be in touch with you.

Those applicants that are approved will receive a certificate and pin for their UoS patch designating their degree.

Degree Applications not turned in at UoS can be mailed to:

UNPC UoS Degree Program
Attn: John Gailey
748 North 1340 West
Orem, Utah 84057

UoS DEGREE PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS



ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE REQUIREMENTS:

1. Be a registered Scouter.
2. Complete Youth Protection Training.
3. Complete six (6) University of Scouting credits since 2013.

BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENTS:

1. Be a registered Scouter with current Youth protection.
2. Earn the BSA "TRAINED" patch for your current registered position.
3. Receive Associate's Degree from UNPC University of Scouting.
4. Complete an additional six (6) University of Scouting credits for a total of twelve (12) credits:
 - a. Serving as instructor for a class may be substituted for one (1) credit for each unique class.

MASTERS DEGREE REQUIREMENTS:

1. Receive Bachelor's Degree from UNPC University of Scouting.
2. Complete six (6) additional University of Scouting credits for a total of eighteen (18) credits:
 - a. One credit must be a **Doctorate Preparation Course** where you design three (3) goals to accomplish over the next year.
3. Complete three position-related supplemental training courses. Examples include:
 - a. **Cubs:** BALOO, Shooting Sports, Hazardous Weather, Outdoor Leader Skills for Webelos Leaders (OWL), District Committee Training Workshop, Safe Swim Defense, Certified CPR/First Aid course, Trainer's EDGE, Akela's Council, and any American Red Cross health and safety course.
 - b. **Boy Scout / Varsity / Venturing:** Safe Swim Defense, Safety Afloat, Trek Safely, Climb on Safely, Merit Badge Counselor Orientation, Health and Safety Course, Leave No Trace Workshop, T.R.A.I.L. BOSS, Powder Horn, Climbing Instructor, BSA Lifeguard, Trainer's EDGE, District Committee Training Workshop, certified CPR/First Aid course, and any American Red Cross health and safety course.





DOCTORATE OF SCOUTING DEGREE REQUIREMENTS:

1. Receive Master's Degree from the UNPC University of Scouting.
2. Complete six (6) additional course credits for a total of twenty-four (24) credits:
 - a. Teaching staff may receive one (1) course credit for each different class delivered at UoS
 - b. Earning the Wood Badge beads counts as one (1) course credit
3. Earn an adult leader award for your registered position:
 - a. **Cub Scout:** Scouter's Key, Scouter's Training Award, Cubmaster Award, Tiger Cub Den Leader Award, Cub Scout Den Leader Award, Webelos Den Leader Award, or the Cub Scouter Award
 - b. **Boy Scout:** Boy Scout Leader's Training Award, Scoutmaster's Key, or the Unit Leader Award of Merit
 - c. **Varsity Scout:** Varsity Leader's Training Award, Varsity Coach's Key, or the Unit Leader of Merit
 - d. **Venturing:** Venturing Leader's Training Award, Venture Advisor's Key Award, Skipper's Key Award, Venturing Leadership Award, or Venturing Advisor Award of Merit
4. Develop and lead an approved new course at a UNPC University of Scouting;
5. Serve on University of Scouting Staff (other than teaching) for at least one year; and
6. Complete a **Doctorate Review Course** where you report on how you completed your Doctorate Prep goals.

Note: All Commissioner Degrees may only be earned at a College of Commissioner Science event, not at University of Scouting. For all forms relating to the UoS Degree Program, see the end of this document.

UNPC University of Scouting Degree Program Application



<input type="checkbox"/> 	<p>Associates Degree in Scouting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 1. Be a registered Scouter <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Complete Youth Protection Training <input type="checkbox"/> 3. Complete six (6) University of Scouting (“UoS”) credits since 2013.
<input type="checkbox"/> 	<p>Bachelor’s Degree in Scouting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 1. Be a registered Scouter with current Youth protection <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Earn the BSA “TRAINED” patch for your current registered position <input type="checkbox"/> 3. Receive Associate’s Degree from UNPC University of Scouting <input type="checkbox"/> 4. Complete six (6) additional credits for a total of twelve (12) credits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teaching staff may receive one (1) course credit for each different class delivered at UoS
<input type="checkbox"/> 	<p>Master’s Degree in Scouting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 1. Receive Bachelor’s Degree from UNPC University of Scouting <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Complete six (6) additional course credits for a total of eighteen (18) credits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One credit <u>must</u> be a Doctorate Preparation Course where you design three (3) goals to accomplish over the next year <input type="checkbox"/> 3. Complete three position-related supplemental training courses (circle those completed) Cubs: BALOO, Shooting Sports, Hazardous Weather, Outdoor Leader Skills for Webelos Leaders (OWL), District Committee Training Workshop, Safe Swim Defense, Certified CPR/First Aid course, Trainer’s EDGE, Akela’s Council, and any American Red Cross health and safety course. Boy Scout / Varsity / Venturing: Safe Swim Defense, Safety Afloat, Trek Safely, Climb on Safely, Merit Badge Counselor Orientation, Health and Safety Course, Leave No Trace Workshop, T.R.A.I.L. BOSS, Powder Horn, Climbing Instructor, BSA Lifeguard, Trainer’s EDGE, District Committee Training Workshop, certified CPR/First Aid course, and any American Red Cross health and safety course
<input type="checkbox"/> 	<p>Doctorate Degree in Scouting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 1. Receive Master’s Degree from the UNPC University of Scouting <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Earn the Wood Badge beads <input type="checkbox"/> 3. Complete six (6) additional course credits for a total of twenty-four (24) credits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teaching staff may receive one (1) course credit for each different class delivered at UoS <input type="checkbox"/> 4. Earn an adult leader award for your registered position (i.e., key or training award, etc.) <input type="checkbox"/> 5. Develop and lead an approved new course at a UNPC University of Scouting <input type="checkbox"/> 6. Serve on University of Scouting Staff (other than teaching) for at least one year <input type="checkbox"/> 7. Complete a Doctorate Review Course – report on how you completed your Doctorate Prep goals

Degree application must be completed and signed in order to receive a certificate and associated pin for the degree.

On my honor, I certify that I have read and understood the degree requirements above; and at the close of this year’s University of Scouting, I have qualified for the indicated degree.

Name (print as desired on certificate)

Email

Applicant’s Signature

Date

Provost (or your district Training Chair) approval

The fine print: UoS courses from 2013 and newer are allowed. Degrees from other Scouting programs or councils do not count toward a current UNPC University of Scouting degree. It is the responsibility of the applicant to maintain accurate and complete records of their accomplishments.