

Citizenship in Society



Merit Badge Counselor Orientation

Before Attending In-Person Training

- If you haven't already, register as an adult member of the Boy Scouts of America. Position Code 42, Merit Badge Counselor
- Log in to my.scouting.org. If you don't already have an account, create one.
- Take **Youth Protection Training** and print your Certificate of Completion.
- Print and fill out a **Merit Badge Counselor Information sheet**.
- Take the online **BSA Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Training** and print your Certificate of Completion.
- Register for a **CIS Merit Badge Counselor Training** at siouxcouncil.org

Deliver your completed BSA adult member application, your certificate proving you finished Youth Protection Training, your DEI online training certificate and your completed Merit Badge Counselor Information sheet to our council office or bring it to an in- person training session.

Date – Register at siouxcouncil.org

- Sioux Falls, Council Office Saturday, September 17 from 9-12pm

Training Outcome

By the end of this session, you should understand:

- Counselor responsibilities
- The merit badge requirements
- Setting the ground rules for participation
- How to ensure conversations are age-appropriate for participants
- Hosting a parent meeting to share information and set expectations
- Facilitating sometimes difficult discussions on DEI topics

Upon review by the Council Advancement Committee, you will receive an email and letter updating your merit badge counselor status.