

RITUAL MERIT BAR

The following outline is the DeMolay International scale for earning points. Points are awarded each time a part is performed.

Initiatory Degree		DeMolay Degree	
Master Councilor	40	Master Councilor	35
Marshal	25	Jacques DeMolay	50
Senior Councilor	20	Master Inquisitor	45
Senior Deacon	20	Junior Inquisitor	25
Junior Councilor	20	Orator	25
Chaplain	10	Senior Inquisitor	10
Preceptors	15	Guy of Auvergne	5
Senior Steward	5	Senior Guard	5
Junior Steward	5	Marshal	5
		Lord Constable	5
 Ceremony Of Light	 30		
 Flower Talk	 40		
		 Representative DeMolay (RD) Ceremony	
Majority Service			
Master Councilor	25	Chancellor	25
Senior Councilor	10	Preceptor	15
Junior Councilor	20	Inquisitor	15
Chaplain	5	Herald	5



NAME: _____
CHAPTER: _____
DATE: _____

MERIT BAR RECORD

Fill out this form and give it to your Awards Advisor or Chapter Dad.

This guide is intended to aid each DeMolay in preparing and submitting requests for Merit Bars. Merit Bars are awards that recognize DeMolays for achievement in some phase of Chapter activity. They are awarded on the recommendation of the Awards Advisor. The Advisory Council makes the final decision about whether an individual has met the requirements for each bar. For more information, consult the *DeMolay Leader's Resource Guide*, contact a member of your Advisory Council or contact your Executive Officer.

Presentation of Merit Bars and Awards will be made during Public Installation's whenever possible. Be sure to submit this form by the deadline designated by your chapter's Awards Advisor.

	White (1st Award)	Red (2nd Award)	Blue (3rd Award)	Purple (4th Award)	Gold (5th Award)
Athletics					
Attendance					
Civic Service					
Conclave					
Correspondence Course					
Fine Arts					
Fund Raising					
Installing					
Journalism					
Masonic Attendance					
Masonic Service					
Merit					
Petitions (Membership)					
Priory					
Religion					
Ritual					
Scholastics					
Visitation					

Merit Bar Descriptions

Some of the Merit Bar requirements have changed since Session 2007!

Athletics – Awarded for participating in a Chapter’s athletic program for one full year with a minimum of six (6) game competitions in one or more sports. This includes bowling and rifle.

Attendance – For perfect attendance at regular meetings for one year in a member’s chapter, or if far away from home, for the same number of meetings of some other Chapter. Make-up meetings counted toward the Attendance Bar will not be used to fulfill the requirements for the Visitation Bar.

Civic Service – A member must contribute ten hours of service on behalf of the Chapter without financial remuneration to the individual of the Chapter in three different civic projects of the Chapter.

Conclave - For attending three state, jurisdictional, or provincial conclaves as a participant or as a visitor.

Fine Arts – For working in or on a musical group with a minimum of three performances or for participating in a minimum of two theatrical performances. **These need not be DeMolay related.**

Fund Raising – Work on at least three different fund raising projects for the Chapter, for a total of twenty hours, without direct financial remuneration to himself.

Installing- For participating in **three** Chapter installation ceremonies as a member of the installing team.

Journalism – For being a member of, or submitting to, a **Chapter newspaper, public newspaper, electronic newspaper, web newsletter, web site, or any other form of published communication** with at least six articles submitted and published, copies of which are forwarded to the Supreme Council Service and Leadership Center. The Merit Bar must be ordered by the Chapter in the routine manner.

Correspondence Course- The Leadership Correspondence Course is a five course program. The Lamp of Knowledge certificate is awarded for successful completion of the fifth course. Merit Bars are awarded upon successful completion of each of the courses. *Several Jurisdictions run their own LCC’s. Check with your Executive Officer.*

Masonic Attendance – Awarded to an active DeMolay who brings in **three** different Master Masons in good standing, to one or more DeMolay Chapter meetings. He may not be an Advisor of any chapter or jurisdiction. He must list each Mason and have the list confirmed by both the Master Councilor and Chapter Advisor. Limited to one bar per year.

Masonic Service – For participating in three different Chapter Masonic Service projects with a minimum of ten hours without financial remuneration to either individual or Chapter.

Merit - For contributing twenty hours of service to DeMolay in an area not covered by another bar with no financial remuneration to the individual or the Chapter.

Membership - For securing and being the first line signer for three membership applicants who are initiated into the Chapter.

Priory - Be a member in good standing for a minimum of one year and attend two-thirds of the Priory functions. (Priory must have held a minimum of six activities other than regular meetings.)

Religion -For attending at least **thirty** regular weekly religious services per year.

Ritual – For sustained and UNUSUALLY HIGH GRADE work in either or both degrees with a minimum of 125 points earned according to the Supreme Council point scale. Points are awarded each time part is given.

Scholastics – Maintain a “B” grade average (or equivalent) for one full year of school.

Visitation –For six visitations at regular Chapter meetings of a Chapter other than his own, or a total traveled distance of 150 miles (one way).