



# Master Craftsman™ Online College & Leadership Academy

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The Master Craftsman™ Online College & Leadership Academy is a complete, online, multimedia learning system designed by Masons for Masons, and is similar to online learning platforms used by colleges and universities around the world. Students will be able to select from numerous Masonic Education & Leadership courses and track their learning progress through a fun and interactive learning system. Best of all, the online learning system is available on any device, so you can improve yourself in Masonry anytime, anywhere.

*The next part of your Masonic Journey is only a few clicks away!*

**THE MASTER'S STEPS (FREE)** As a Master Mason, how much do you know about the basic teachings of your Blue Lodge? In this FREE mini-course, Master Masons are quizzed on their existing knowledge of basic Masonic History, Ritual and Symbolism. Whether a newly raised or are a Mason with decades of experience, this course will test what you think you already know about Freemasonry. **NO TEXTBOOKS REQUIRED!**

**ORDO AB CHAO (.99¢)** is a mini-course on the "Supreme Council Circular Throughout the Two Hemispheres" or "The Manifesto of 1802," the foundational document of the Supreme Council and the Scottish Rite. The phrase *Ordo Ab Chao* literally means "Order from Chaos" and is a direct reference to the idea that high degree Masonry was in a state of chaos and disorder prior to the formation of the Supreme Council. By assuming jurisdiction over these degrees, the Supreme Council was literally attempting to create order from chaos. **NO TEXTBOOKS REQUIRED!**

**THE FREEMASONS & THE GREAT SEAL (\$1.00)** is a fun and thought-provoking mini course that invites you to explore one of America's most enduring mysteries: is there a true connection between Freemasonry and The Great Seal of the United States, famously printed on every one-dollar bill? Drawing from in-depth historical analysis and rich visual symbolism, this course unpacks the origins of the Seal, the roles played by early American leaders, and the emergence of Masonic imagery in American culture. **NO TEXTBOOKS REQUIRED!**

**WHY 33? (\$5.00)** is designed to give a Scottish Rite Mason a deeper understanding of basic history and a working knowledge of the organizational structure of the Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite, Southern Jurisdiction-Mother Supreme Council of the World. The course will also answer many frequently asked questions about the Scottish Rite, giving a Scottish Rite Mason a broader grasp of the fraternity. **NO TEXTBOOKS REQUIRED!**

**THE DEVIL & ALBERT PIKE (\$5.00)** For more than a century, conspiracy theorists have circulated the completely false idea that Scottish Rite Past Grand Commander Albert Pike promoted *Luciferian* worship within the pages of "Morals and Dogma". But where did this myth come from? And what did Pike *actually* say? In this eye-opening mini course, students will examine the origins of the so-called "Lucifer quote", the context behind Pike's writings, and the infamous Léo Taxil hoax that fueled decades of anti-Masonic rhetoric. This course will help you separate fact from fiction and gain a deeper understanding of how and why Freemasonry's most pervasive myth was born. **NO TEXTBOOKS REQUIRED!**

**SYMBOLIC LODGE (\$15.00)** will familiarize students with aspects of the development of Blue Lodge Masonry and explore some of its developing symbolism. Consisting of seven lessons, it uses Albert Pike's book, *Esoterika: The Symbolism of the Blue Degrees of Freemasonry* as the primary text along with several sections of the *Scottish Rite Ritual Monitor and Guide* (3<sup>rd</sup> ed.) by Arturo de Hoyos. **TEXTBOOKS SOLD SEPARATELY!**

**RITUAL & HISTORY (\$15.00)** familiarizes students with the basic structure of the Scottish Rite as well as aspects of the rituals and symbols of the twenty-nine degrees (4°–32°) and honors of the Scottish Rite. Consisting of six lessons, it utilizes *The Scottish Rite Ritual Monitor & Guide* (3<sup>rd</sup> ed.) by Arturo de Hoyos and *A Bridge to Light* (4<sup>th</sup> ed.) by Rex Hutchens as its textbooks. **TEXTBOOKS SOLD SEPARATELY!**

**SCOTTISH RITE PHILOSOPHY (\$33.00)** will help you delve deeply into the teachings and philosophies underpinning the ritual of the Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite. The primary text is Albert Pike's *Morals & Dogma: Annotated Edition*, by Arturo de Hoyos. Originally published in 1872, *Morals & Dogma* has always stood as a daunting challenge to its readers, perhaps in the way the moon looked unreachable for most of human history. Consisting of 10 lessons, this course will be your guide helping you negotiate this intimidating journey one step at a time. **TEXTBOOK SOLD SEPARATELY!**

**WISDOM & REFLECTION (\$15.00)** is designed to provide you with further opportunity to increase your knowledge of the Scottish Rite. In this advanced level course, the focus will be the lessons taught in each degree and their practical applications to your life. Consisting of nine lessons, it utilizes *The Scottish Rite Ritual Monitor & Guide* (3<sup>rd</sup> ed.) by Arturo de Hoyos and *A Bridge to Light* (4<sup>th</sup> ed.) by Rex Hutchens as its textbooks. **TEXTBOOKS SOLD SEPARATELY!**

## **HEY NEW MASTERS OF THE ROYAL SECRET!**

You get complimentary access to the Scottish Rite Master Craftsman™ course **THE IVORY KEY!**

For over 223 years, the Scottish Rite of Freemasonry has been fulfilling the promise of more light in Masonry. But with such a long and storied history, a well-defined central structure and a myriad of symbols and lessons to absorb, often a new Scottish Rite candidate can feel overwhelmed. This short course will help Scottish Rite Candidates and newly made Scottish Rite Masons get the most out of their Scottish Rite Reunion experience. Named for one of the significant early symbols in the Scottish Rite degree canon, The Ivory Key course contains several short videos, audio presentations and reading assignments that will allow candidates to have a more complete understanding the nature and structure of Scottish Rite Freemasonry. The course is divided into four sections:

1. Scottish Rite History in Brief
2. The Structure of the Scottish Rite
3. Lodge of Perfection & Chapter Rose Croix Degrees
4. Council of Kadosh & Consistory Degrees

*Contact the General Secretary or Master Craftsman Coordinator upon the completion of your Reunion to get the promo code to access this FREE program!*

## **OTHER SCOTTISH RITE MASONIC EDUCATION RESOURCES**

- The Scottish Rite Journal (<https://scottishrite.org/media-publications/scottish-rite-journal/the-scottish-rite-journal/>)
- Virginia Light (<https://www.nnscottishrite.org/va-light>)
- Masonic Book Club (<https://scottishrite.org/media-publications/masonic-book-club/>)
- Scottish Rite Research Society (<http://scottishriteresearch.com/>)
- The Tyler's Place Podcast (<https://scottishrite.org/media-publications/the-tylers-place-podcast/>)
- Albert Pike's *Morals & Dogma* (Annotated Edition) Audiobook (<https://members.scottishrite.org/manddaudiobook/>)
- Further Masonic Education Resources ([https://drive.google.com/drive/u/1/folders/1Gj6jibB0eH\\_sChcaOe1HgysWjQ\\_jYJO](https://drive.google.com/drive/u/1/folders/1Gj6jibB0eH_sChcaOe1HgysWjQ_jYJO))

For more information on any of these programs, contact the Master Craftsman Coordinator:

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## **Richmond Scottish Rite Bodies**

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