

Ritual Merit Bar

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

Initiatory Degree

Master Councilor	40 points
Marshal	25 points
Senior Councilor	20 points
Senior Deacon	20 points
Junior Councilor	20 points
Chaplain	10 points
Preceptors	15 points
Senior Steward	5 points
Junior Steward	5 points

DeMolay Degree

Master Councilor	35 points
Jacques DeMolay	50 points
Master Inquisitor	45 points
Junior Inquisitor	25 points
Orator	25 points
Senior Inquisitor	10 points
Guy of Auvergne	5 points
Senior Guard	5 points
Marshal	5 points
Lord Constable	5 points

Ceremony of Light 30 Points

Flower Talk 40 Points

Majority Service

Master Councilor	25 points
Senior Councilor	10 points
Junior Councilor	20 points
Chaplain	5 points

Representative DeMolay (RD) Ceremony

Chancellor	25 points
Preceptor	15 points
Inquisitor	5 points



Merit Bar Descriptions

Athletics

Awarded for participating in a Chapter's athletic program for one full year with a minimum of six game competitions in one or more sports. This includes bowling and rifle.

Attendance

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

Health & Fitness

For completing one fitness goal, one nutritional goal and for participating in at least one sports or fitness activity within a period of one year. Goals are to be set by each individual with the approval of an advisor.

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 Executive Officer of the Jurisdiction.

Correspondence Course

The Leadership Correspondence Course is a five-course program, which is available in eScribe when you log into your profile with your email address as your username and your ID# as your password. Merit Bars are awarded on the successful completion of each course.

Masonic Attendance

Awarded to an active DeMolay who brings in three different Master Masons in good standing, to one of 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.

Merit Bar Descriptions Continued...

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 either individual or the Chapter.

Membership

For securing and being the First Line Signer for three membership applicants who are initiated into the Chapter.

Patriotism

For completing one years service in a military or auxiliary organization such as JROTC, ROTC, Civil Air Patrol or regular or reserve armed forces.

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 USUALLY 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.

Safe Driver

Each year, with a clean driving record, the member will earn the next level of the bar. An infraction can halt the earning of future colors, and a serious infraction could mean the loss of a color or colors, or the entire bar itself. The issue date of the license/permit would be the start date for determining the year of a safe driving record.

Scholastics

Maintain a "B" grade average (or equivalent) for one full year of school.

Technology

Utilize technology in a way that is beneficial to your Chapter or Jurisdiction in an area not covered by another merit bar. Examples include: create a Chapter Facebook page, Twitter group, refurbish a computer for Chapter use, create a Chapter/Jurisdiction WEB page, arrange Video Game tournament that brings in new members (not just for fun), Video newsletter, etc....

Visitation

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



Name: _____
 Chapter: _____
 Date: _____

Merit Bar Record

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

This guide is intended to aid each DeMolay in preparing and submitting request 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.

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 (1 st Award)	Red (2 nd Award)	Blue (3 rd Award)	Purple (4 th Award)	Gold (5 th Award)
Athletics					
Attendance					
Civic Service					
Conclave					
Correspondence Course					
Fine Arts					
Fund Raising					
Health & Fitness					
Installing					
Journalism					
Masonic Attendance					
Masonic Service					
Merit					
Membership					
Patriotism					
Priory					
Religion					
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MERIT BARS CAN BE PURCHASED AT ShopDeMolay.org