

Most Worshipful Union Grand Lodge  
of Florida

Prince Hall Affiliated



Curriculum 2015-2016

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- ▶ Below you will find the Curriculum for the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge for the period of August 2015 thru July 2016. All Grand Lodge Curriculum subjects must be taught during the curriculum year. Each Grand Instructor is required to do 2 Workshops a year, and will be required to teach at least one subject at each workshop.
- ▶ Grand Instructors and Lodge Instructors are required to be present at all workshops, grand visitations, and midyear meetings. All Grand Instructors will make their semi-annual reports to their respective Zone Coordinators. All Lodge Instructors are required to make their quarterly reports to Grand Instructors.



## 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter: August 2015 thru October 2015

- ▶ Duties and Responsibilities of the Lodge Officers, specifically the Worshipful Master, Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Senior Deacon, and Tyler. *\*Required*
- ▶ The significance of and importance of being in attendance on the festive days (St. John the Baptist, St. John the Evangelist and Prince Hall Day). *\*Required.*

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- The dress for Saints John Days and Prince Hall Day will be followed as printed in the Protocol Book; however, make note of the optional portion where it references the apron for the St. John Festive Days. Henceforth, during my tenure the Brothers will wear black or dark suits, white shirts, neckties, (No Bowties), black socks, black shoes, dress aprons, collars, blue badges and Grand Lodge pin. All Master Masons will come dressed as such. No other houses will be represented on the male side. The only Masonic Bodies recognized on Saints John Days will be Blue Lodges, the Order of Eastern Star Chapters and Heroines of Jericho Courts

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- ▶ Prince Hall Day continued – All elected and appointed Grand Lodge Officers are To wear their Grand Lodge Aprons, white (dress) gloves, collars, blue
  - ▶ Badges, and Masonic pins. For the remaining houses, the Top 3 Officers in each house are to wear their respective regalia. *\*Required*
  - ▶ What is the duty of the Investigation Committee?  
*\*Required*
  - ▶ Criminal Background Check Process *\*Required*
  - ▶ 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Entered Apprentice Core Curriculum (To be used for new candidates and does not have to be taught in a particular quarter).

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- ▶ Psalm 133
  - ▶ Book of Ruth
  - ▶ White Apron
  - ▶ Three Great Lights
  - ▶ Three Lesser Lights
  - ▶ Twenty four Inch Gage and Common Gavel
  - ▶ Rough Ashlar and Perfect Ashlar
  - ▶ Masonic Charity (1Corinthians 13: 1-13)
  - ▶ Due Guard/Sign of Entered Apprentice
  - ▶ Real Grip of Entered Apprentice
  - ▶ What is a lodge?
  - ▶ Grand Master's Check Word
  - ▶ The Nineteenth Landmark (A belief in God is a requirement of every candidate of Freemasonry).
  - ▶ The Twentieth Landmark (The belief in a resurrection of life)



## 2"d Quarter: November 2015 thru January 2016

- How to enter the Lodge on 3, 5, and 7 (Only at the request of the Worshipful Master). *\*Required*
- How to walk the Tyler's Sword? *\*Required*
- 2"d Degree Fellow Craft Core Curriculum (To be used for new candidates and does not have to be taught in a particular quarter).
- Amos 7: 7-8
- Shibboleth (Ritual and Judges 12:6).
- Pillars - Boaz (2Chron. 3:17) and Jachin (1 Kings 7:21 and ritual).
- Middle Chamber. (1 Kings 6:8 and ritual).

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- Winding Stairs - 3, 5, and 7. (1<sup>st</sup> King 6:8 and ritual).
  - Fellow Craft Wages - Corn, Wine, and Oil.
  - David's 1<sup>st</sup> anointing to be king. (1Samue l16: 1 - 13).
  - Square, Level, and Plumb
  - Due Guard/Sign of Fellow Craft
  - Real Grip of A Fellow Craft
  - Pass Grip of Fellow Craft



## 3rd Quarter: February thru April 2016:

- ▶ Services at the Church or Funeral Home or Home of the deceased (Wake) **Note: Grand and Lodge Instructors the Wake and the Graveside services are equally important, it is the last thing that we do for a brother and they should be done with dignity, respect, and great professionalism.**
- ▶ {It is recommended that the Grand Instructor chooses the Wake or Graveside Service due to amount of time it takes to become ritualistically proficient. Based on the Grand Instructor's doing a Quarterly Visit, the Grand Instructor should demonstrate the ceremony during the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter.

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- ▶ Services continued – The lodge should practice with the Grand Instructor during the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter. The lodge should show proficiency, and the Grand Instructor should make the necessary corrections during the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter. The lodge should show suitable proficiency during the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter). *\*Required*
  - ▶ Graveside Services (See note above). *\*Required*
  - ▶ Protocol. *\*Required*
  - ▶ Duties of the Secretary and Treasurer with respect to Grand Lodge Reports. *\*Required*
  - ▶ 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Master Mason Core Curriculum (To be used for new candidates and does not have to be taught in a particular quarter).

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- Due Guard/Sign of Master Mason
  - Real Grip of Master Mason
  - Grand Hailing Sign
  - Grand Honors (Public and Private)
  - Which two Grand Lodge line officers are supposed to receive Grand Honors?
  - What is our current Grand Master's position on the wearing of a hat inside of a church?
  - Ecclesiastes Chapter 12
  - Legend of Hiram Abiff (See Historical Account in Ritual; 1 King 5, 2 Chron. 2:13, 2 Chron. 2:3, and 1 Kings 7: 13-14).
  - Trowel
  - The Life of Solomon



## 4th Quarter May thru July 2016

- ▶ Reception of Grand Lodge Officers on an official/non-official visitation to District/Zone Area Meetings. \* Required (Pages 29 and 30 of the Protocol Manual)
- ▶ How to conduct a more efficient Lodge Meeting. \*Required
- ▶ How to enter the Lodge on 3, 5, and 7 (Only at the request of the Worshipful Master). How to walk the Tyler's Sword? \**Required*
- ▶ 3rd Degree Master Mason Core Curriculum continued - {To be used for new candidates and does not be have to be taught in a particular quarter}.

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- Book of Constitution.
  - Twenty-Five Landmarks. {Mackey's Jurisprudence}.
  - The Prerogatives of the Worshipful Master {Worshipful Master's Assistant}.
  - Five Points of Fellowship
  - Brotherly Love (Romans 12:10, I John 4: 7-10, I John 3:14 and Heb. 13:1).
  - The difference between a demit and a transfer
  - Balloting
  - Healing process