CLASS OPTIONS EXPERT CLASSES

MYSTIC SCHOLAR (EXPERT)

Learned men and woman who see the magic of words, the Mystic Scholar encapsulates the classic stereotype of the wizard deeply studying his books and writings, for within them contain the answers to life and the universe. While somewhat similar to the Rune Knight in their knowledge of arcane script, the Rune Knight is a frontline fighter while the Mystic Scholar is much happier to be in the back rows... or back at home, in his library!

Depending on your campaign, a Mystic Scholar could be...

- A desperate astronomer poring over his work in order to prevent (or cause) an eclipse
- A neophyte student, barely able to contain his lessons as he reads them aloud for study
- A librarian who makes sure that silence is kept within his domain... *or else*
- A medicine-man who lords over his tribe with his ability to read the words of the gods
- A fanatic of the occult and strange, never seen without his trusty quill and journal

Party Role: Wildcard/Specialist. You utilize every scroll, tome, and scrap of paper that you can find in order to master the power contained in the written word, as well as create new uses for them.

CLASS FEATURES

Requirements: *Sorcery* campaign quality, Scroll Casting feat, Crafting 4+, Spellcasting 4+, Intelligence 13+

Favored Attributes: Intelligence, Constitution, Wisdom

Caster: Each level in this class increases your Casting Level by 1.

Class Skills: Crafting, Haggle, Impress, Investigate, Medicine, Notice, Resolve, Search, Sense Motive, Tactics

Skill Points: 6 + Int modifier per level

Vitality: 9 + Con modifier per level

CORE ABILITY

Wordsmith: You learn an additional 3 languages. Also, at Level 1 and for each Class Level thereafter, you gain 1 additional skill point that must be spent on Crafting or Spellcasting. Finally, you may spend 1 Spell Point to gain a +4 magic bonus to Investigate that lasts until the end of the scene.

CLASS ABILITIES

Way of the Pen: At Level 1, you may purchase ranks in the Spellcasting skill, learn Artifice, Seals, and Word spells, and cast Level 0 spells you know. Also, when you fail a Spellcasting check to cast a spell of these Disciplines, no spell points are spent on the attempt.

If you already possess this ability from another class, you instead gain an additional Spellcasting feat.



Scrollmaster I: At Level 2, you gain the Scribing Basics feat, and your Caster Level when casting from a scroll is equal to your Career Level minus 1.

Scrollmaster II: At Level 7, you gain the Scribing Mastery feat, and your Caster Level when casting from a scroll is equal to your Career Level.

Circle of Power: At Levels 3, 5, 7, and 9, the maximum level of spells you may cast increases by 1 (e.g. from Level 0 spells you know to Level 1 or lower spells you know), to a maximum of Level 9.

Bonus Feat: At levels 4 and 8, you gain an additional Gear or Spellcasting feat.

Scribal Visionary: At levels 4, 6, and 8, you may choose one of the following abilities. Each may be chosen only once.

- *Arcane Experiment:* When you scribe a scroll, you're no longer limited to spells you know. You may scribe any spell that you have access to at the time of scribing (e.g., by referencing a spell book, verbally from another mage, etc.).
- *Arcane Intuition:* When you scribe a scroll, you can scribe spells that you don't even have access to. You can scribe scrolls that you neither know nor have access to by increasing the Complexity of the scroll by 5. The error range on checks to cast from scrolls made this way increases by 2. You may only choose this ability if you may scribe scrolls of spells you don't know.

Table X.X: Mystic Scholar

Level	BAB	Fort	Ref	Will	Def	Init	Lifestyle	Legend	SP	Abilities
1	+0	+0	+0	+2	+1	+1	+2	+1	+1	Way of the pen, wordsmith
2	+1	+0	+0	+3	+1	+1	+3	+1	+2	Scrollmaster I
3	+1	+1	+1	+3	+2	+2	+3	+2	+3	Circle of power
4	+2	+1	+1	+4	+2	+2	+4	+2	+4	Bonus feat, scribal visionary
5	+2	+1	+1	+4	+3	+3	+4	+3	+5	Circle of power
6	+3	+2	+2	+5	+4	+4	+5	+3	+6	Scribal visionary
7	+3	+2	+2	+5	+4	+4	+5	+4	+7	Circle of power, scrollmaster II
8	+4	+2	+2	+6	+5	+5	+6	+4	+8	Bonus feat, scribal visionary
9	+4	+3	+3	+6	+5	+5	+6	+5	+9	Circle of power
10	+5	+3	+3	+7	+6	+6	+7	+5	+10	Echoing tomecasting

- Bookmarked Grimoire: You may use a scroll as a Mage's Pouch for casting the spell contained in that scroll, and as long as you have one scroll readied, you are considered to have all scrolls on your person readied.
- Bookworm I: You make Research checks in 1/2 the usual time (rounded up).
- Improvised Scribe: You're always considered to have a Scribe's Kit for making Crafting checks.
- Light Reading: Scrolls are considered only one-handed items for you, and the time needed to read a scroll is no longer limited to a minimum of 1 full action.
- Scroll Tutor: As long as they can see and hear you, your teammates may substitute their Crafting skill bonus in place of Spellcasting when casting from a scroll you have scribed.
- Tattoo Inscription: You may make magical tattoos in a way similar to scribing a scroll, except that it is bound to your own skin rather than paper. The Complexity is increased by 5; in exchange, a 'scroll' scribed this way cannot be stolen or removed from you until you cast it and requires no hand to use. A tattoo fades as soon as the spell is cast. You may have a number of scrolls tattooed onto your flesh at a time equal to your Constitution modifier.

Echoing Tomecasting: At level 10, you may cast a scroll without consuming it a number of times per session equal to your starting action dice.

+1	+2	Scrollmaster I
+2	+3	Circle of power
+2	+4	Bonus feat, scribal visionary
+3	+5	Circle of power
+3	+6	Scribal visionary
+4	+7	Circle of power, scrollmaster II
+4	+8	Bonus feat, scribal visionary
+5	+9	Circle of power
+5	+10	Echoing tomecasting

NPC CLASS ABILITIES

The following new class abilities from the Mystic Scholar expert class are available to NPCs using the class ability NPC quality (see Fantasy Craft, page 231).

Table X.X: NPC Class Abilities

Class Ability	XP Value
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Blah blah	? per grade

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