

<b><u>CORE COURSES (21 hours)</u></b>		<b><u>Hrs</u></b>	<b><u>Semester</u></b>	<b><u>Grade</u></b>
PPOG 500	Introduction to Writing, Research & Turabian	3	_____	_____
PPOG 502	Economics & Public Policy	3	_____	_____
PPOG 503	Political Philosophy	3	_____	_____
PPOG 504	Leadership, Statesmanship & Governance <sup>1</sup>	3	_____	_____
PPOG 506	Intro. to Geopolitics & International Diplomacy <sup>1</sup>	3	_____	_____
PPOL 501	Foundations of American Governance	3	_____	_____
PPOL 505	Applied Public Policy Research Methods <sup>1</sup>	3	_____	_____
<b><u>PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION COGNATE (9 hours)</u></b>				
PADM 501	Fundamentals of Public Administration	3	_____	_____
PADM 530	Politics, Strategies & Initiatives of Com. Econ. Dev.	3	_____	_____
PADM 550	Public Policy Analysis	3	_____	_____
<b><u>THESIS OR ELECTIVE COURSES (9 hours)<sup>2, 3, 4</sup></u></b>				
PPOG 689	Thesis Proposal and Research <sup>5, 6</sup>	3	_____	_____
PPOG 690	Thesis Defense	3	_____	_____
_____ <sup>3</sup>		3	_____	_____
<b>TOTAL HOURS</b>		<b>39</b>		

**Graduation Requirements**

Complete 39 hours

A minimum of 30 hours must be completed through Liberty University, not to include credits from a prior degree earned through Liberty

A maximum of 9 hours of transfer credit, including credit from a degree on the same same academic level previously earned through Liberty, may be applied to the degree 3.0 GPA

No more than two grades of C may be applied to the degree (includes grades of C+ & C-)

No grade of D or below may be applied to the degree (includes grades of D+ & D-)

Degree must be completed within 5 years

All Online students admitted on Academic Caution are required to enroll in and pass GRST 500 in their first semester

Please submit a Graduation Application to the Registrar's Office at the beginning of the final semester

**Program Currently Offered in Online Format Only**

**Notes**

<sup>1</sup>Students are strongly encouraged to take PPOG 500, 502, 503 and PPOL 501 before this course. The content of these courses will help set a foundation for the remaining Public Policy coursework.

<sup>2</sup>Students may take elective courses instead of PPOG 689 & 690

<sup>3</sup>Choose from the following: BMAL 500, 501, 550, 602, BUSI 520, 604, 605, 606, 607, 620, COMS 520, 560, 622, EDUC 500, 518, 604, 631, PPOG 624, 635, 640, 641, PPOL 630, 631, 650 or 652.

<sup>4</sup>Students who have obtained or are pursuing a J.D. through Liberty University may substitute electives with up to nine credit hours from the following courses: LAW 501, 502, 531, 532, 581, 585, 601, 605, 610, 645, 721, 725, 741, 743, 745, 755, 760, 761 or 765. Non-Liberty students pursuing a J.D. or who have a completed J.D. may be able to use up to nine hours of Law Credit towards this degree pending review and approval by the LU School of Law

<sup>5</sup>Any student who is not ready for enrollment in PPOG 690 after completing PPOG 689 may be required, as determined by the student's thesis chair, to repeat PPOG 689 until deemed ready for enrollment in PPOG 690.

<sup>6</sup>While PPOG 689 may be taken more than once, only one enrollment in the course will be permitted to count toward degree requirements.

### SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

<u>First Semester</u>		<u>Second Semester</u>	
PPOG 500	3	PPOG 503	3
PPOG 502	3	PPOG 504 <sup>1</sup>	3
PPOL 501	<u>3</u>	PADM 501	<u>3</u>
Total	9	Total	9
<u>Third Semester</u>		<u>Fourth Semester</u>	
PPOG 506 <sup>1</sup>	3	PADM 530	3
PPOL 505 <sup>1</sup>	3	PADM 550	3
PPOG 689 <sup>2,3</sup> or Elective <sup>4,5</sup>	<u>3</u>	Elective <sup>4,5</sup>	<u>3</u>
Total	9	Total	9
<u>Fifth Semester</u>			
PPOG 690 or Elective <sup>4,5</sup>	<u>3</u>		
Total	3		

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