

Master of Arts in Pastoral Counseling (M.A.)

Discipleship and Church Ministry Cognate

2024-2025 Degree Completion Plan

| CORE COURSES (24 hours) | | <u>Hrs</u> | <u>Sem</u> | Grade |
|-------------------------|---|------------|------------|--------------|
| PACO 500 | Introduction to Pastoral Counseling ¹ | 3 | | |
| PACO 501 | Foundational Doctrines for Pastoral Counselors ¹ | 3 | | |
| PACO 504 | Multicultural Issues in Pastoral Counseling | 3 | | |
| PACO 509 | Spiritual Formation in Pastoral Counseling ² | 3 | | |
| PACO 604 | Crisis Intervention in Pastoral Counseling | 3 | | |
| PACO 615 | Marriage & Family Counseling | 3 | | |
| PACO 617 | Theories & Techniques in Pastoral Counseling ² | 3 | | |
| PACO 699 | Pastoral Counseling Internship ^{3,4} | 3 | | |
| DISCIPLES | HIP & CHURCH MINISTRY COGNATE (12 hours) | | | |
| DSMN 610 | Family Discipleship | 3 | | |
| DSMN 630 | Small Group Ministries | 3 | | |
| DSMN 660 | Leading the Healthy, Growing, Multiplying Church | 3 | | |
| LEAD 505 | Church Administration | 3 | | |
| | TOTAL HOURS | 36 | | |

Graduation Requirements

Complete 36 hours

A maximum of 50% of the program hours may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level

2.5 GPA

No grade of D may be applied to the degree (includes grades of D+ & D-) Liberty University course work that is more than 10 years old may not be applied towards this degree. Students are required to repeat the course if it has exceeded the age limit.

Degree must be completed within 5 years

Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

Offered in Resident and Online Format

Notes

All applicable prerequisites must be met

¹PACO 500 and 501 are required first entry courses for all students in this degree

Suggested Course Sequence on second page

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²Intensive Format Optional

³May register for PACO 699 after successfully completing 21 hours

⁴Background check clearance required

SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

| First Semester PACO 500 ¹ PACO 501 ¹ PACO 504 Total | 3 3 3 9 | Second Semester PACO 509 ² PACO 604 PACO 615 | Total | 3 3 3 9 |
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| Third Semester DSMN 610 DSMN 630 PACO 617 ² Total | 3 3 3 9 | Fourth Semester DSMN 660 LEAD 505 PACO 699 ^{3,4} | Total | 3 3 3 9 |

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