LIBERTY UNIVERSITY. THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

2020-2021 Degree Completion Plan

CORE COURSES (27 hours) Hr Sem **Grade** Foundations of Statesmanship & Public Policy 3 **PLCY 700 PLCY 701** 3 Natural Law, The State & The Gospel **PLCY 702** The Founding Era & Constitution 3 **PLCY 703** 3 Contemporary Challenges to Const. Order & the Role of the State **PLCY 704** 3 **Economics & Public Policy PLCY 800** Statesmanship & National Security 3 or PLCY 801 Foreign Policy, Globalization & Statesmanship **PLCY 802** Competing Visions of Statesmanship 3 **PLCY 804** Statesmanship, Federalism & Intergovernmental Relations 3 **PLCY 805** Policy Analysis & Statesmanship 3 **RESEARCH METHODS & TOOLS COURSES (9 hours) PLCY 810** Quantitative Methods I 3 3 **PLCY 811** Quantitative Methods II **PLCY 812 Qualitative Methods** 3 **EDUCATION POLICY COGNATE (9 hours) PLCY 840** Introduction to Education Policy 3 **PLCY 841 Research Seminar in Education Policy** 3 **PLCY 885 Research Concept** 3 **DISSERTATION COURSES (15 hours)¹** Dissertation I **PLCY 987** 5 **PLCY 988 Dissertation II** 5 **PLCY 989** Dissertation III² 5 **Dissertation IV PLCY 990** 0

TOTAL HOURS 60

Graduation Requirements

Complete 60 hours

A maximum of 50% of a post-graduate and doctoral degree may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level 3.0 GPA No grades lower than a B- may be applied to the degree

Successful completion of Research Concept

Successful defense of Dissertation

Degree must be completed within 7 years

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

Offered in Online Format

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Notes

All applicable prerequisites must be met

¹Once the student enters the Dissertation phase, he/she must maintain continuous enrollment (Fall, Spring and Summer semesters) until all degree requirements are completed ²Any student who is not ready for enrollment in PLCY 990 after completing PLCY 989 may be required, as determined by the student's dissertation chair, to repeat PLCY 989 until deemed ready for enrollment in PLCY 990

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PLCY 700		Second Semester	
	3	PLCY 703	3
PLCY 701	3	PLCY 704	3
PLCY 702	<u>3</u>	PLCY 800 <u>OR</u> PLCY 801	<u>3</u>
Total	9	Tota	19
Third Semester		Fourth Semester	
PLCY 802	3	PLCY 804	3
PLCY 810	3	PLCY 812	3
PLCY 811	3	PLCY 805	3
Total	9	Tota	
Fifth Semester		Sixth Semester	
PLCY 840	3	PLCY 987 ¹	5
PLCY 841	3	Tota	
PLCY 885	<u>3</u>		
Total	9		
Seventh Semester		Eighth Semester	
PLCY 988	<u>5</u>	PLCY 989 ²	5
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Ninth Semester			
PLCY 990 ²	<u>0</u> 0		