# LIBERTY UNIVERSITY. THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

2020-2021 Degree Completion Plan

CORE COU	RSES (27 hours)	<u>Hr</u>	<u>Sem</u>	<u>Grade</u>
PLCY 700	Foundations of Statesmanship & Public Policy	3		
PLCY 701	Natural Law, The State & The Gospel	3		
<b>PLCY 702</b>	The Founding Era & Constitution	3		
<b>PLCY 703</b>	Contemporary Challenges to Const. Order & the Role of the State	3		
<b>PLCY 704</b>	Economics & Public Policy	3		
<b>PLCY 800</b>	Statesmanship & National Security			
<u>or</u> PLCY 801	Foreign Policy, Globalization & Statesmanship	3		
PLCY 802	Competing Visions of Statesmanship	3		
<b>PLCY 804</b>	Statesmanship, Federalism & Intergovernmental Relations	3		
<b>PLCY 805</b>	Policy Analysis & Statesmanship	3		
<b>RESEARCH</b>	METHODS & TOOLS COURSES (9 hours)			
PLCY 810	Quantitative Methods I	3		
PLCY 811	Quantitative Methods II	3		
PLCY 812	Qualitative Methods	3		
ELECTIVE	COURSES (6 hours) <sup>1</sup>			
		3		
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DISSERTAT	<u>'ION COURSES (18 hours)</u> <sup>2</sup>			
PLCY 885	Research Concept	3		
PLCY 987	Dissertation I	5		
PLCY 988	Dissertation II	5		
PLCY 989	Dissertation III <sup>3</sup>	5		
PLCY 990	Dissertation IV	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

<sup>1</sup>Choose two courses from the following: PLCY 840, 850, 860, 870 or 880; other courses will be considered on a case-by-case basis

<sup>2</sup>Once the student enters the Dissertation phase, he/she must maintain continuous enrollment (Fall, Spring and Summer semesters) until all degree requirements are completed

<sup>3</sup>Any 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

Suggested Course Sequence on Second Page

		Second Semester	
	3	PLCY 703	3
	3	PLCY 704	3
	<u>3</u>	PLCY 800 <u>OR</u> PLCY 801	<u>3</u>
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		Fourth Semester	
	3	PLCY 812	3
	3	PLCY 811	3
	3	PLCY 805	<u>3</u>
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		Sixth Semester	
	3	PLCY 987 <sup>2</sup>	5
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ready for enrollment in PLCY 990