LIBERTY UNIVERSITY. THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

2020-2021 Degree Completion Plan

CORE COURSES (21 hours) Hrs Sem Grade **PADM 501** Fundamentals of Public Administration 3 **PADM 530 Community Economic Development** 3 PADM 550 **Public Policy Analysis** 3 PADM 600 Politics & Policy of Public Sector Budgeting 3 PADM 610 Management of Public Sector Organizations 3 Public Administration Praxis: Legal & Contemporary 3 PADM 620 PPOL 505 **Applied Public Policy Research Methods** 3 FIRE ADMINISTRATION COGNATE (9 hours) **FIRE 610** Leadership for the Executive Fire Officer 3 **FIRE 620** H.R. & Budget Mgmt. for the Executive Fire Officer 3 **FIRE 630** Community Risk Mitigation for the Exec. Fire Officer or FIRE 640 Legal Considerations in Fire & Emergency Services for 3 the Executive Fire Officer THESIS OR ELECTIVE COURSES (6 hours)^{1,2} PADM 689 Thesis Proposal & Research³ 3 Thesis Defense⁴ PADM 690 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

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

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

Offered in Online Format

¹Students may take two elective courses³ instead of PADM 689 & 690

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School of Government. Other 500-600 level courses will be considered on a case-by-case basis

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Notes

All applicable prerequisites must be met

SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

First Semester			Second Semester		
PADM 501		3	PADM 600		3
PADM 530		3	PADM 610		3
PADM 550		<u>3</u>	PADM 620		3
	Total	9		Total	9

Third Semester			Fourth Semester		
FIRE 610		3	FIRE 620		3
PADM 689 ¹ or Elective ^{2,3}		3	FIRE 630 or 640		3
PPOL 505		<u>3</u>	PADM 690 ⁴ or Elective ^{2,3}		<u>3</u>
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