LIBERTY UNIVERSITY. THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

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

General Cognate

2024-2025 Degree Completion Plan

CORE COU	RSES (24 hours)	<u>Hrs</u>	<u>Sem</u>	<u>Grade</u>					
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							
GENERAL COGNATE (12 hours)									
Choose four.	500-600 level courses from the following: CRIS, DBFA,								
DBMF, DBP	C, LIFC, MILT, PACO, or SUBS								
		3							
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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 toward 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 Online Format

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Notes

All applicable prerequisites must be met ¹PACO 500 and 501 are required first entry courses for all students in this degree. ²Intensive Format Optional ³May register for PACO 699 after successfully completing 21 hours

⁴Background check clearance required

Suggested Course Sequence on second page

SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

First Semester		Second Semester		
PACO 500 ¹	3	PACO 509 ²		3
PACO 5011	3	PACO 604		3
PACO 504	<u>3</u>	PACO 615		<u>3</u>
Total	9		Total	9

Third Semester			Fourth Semester	
PACO 617 ²		3	PACO 699 ^{3,4}	3
Elective ⁵		3	Elective ⁵	3
Elective ⁵		<u>3</u>	Elective ⁵	<u>3</u>
	Total	9		9

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