



2018-2019 Degree Completion Plan

CORE COURSES (30 hours)			<u>Sem</u>	<u>Grade</u>				
PLCY 700	Foundations of Statesmanship & Public Policy	3						
PLCY 701	Natural Law, The State & The Gospel	3						
PLCY 702	The Founding Era & Constitution	3						
PLCY 703	Contemporary Challenges to Const. Order & the Role of the State	3						
PLCY 704	Economics & Public Policy	3						
PLCY 800	Statesmanship & National Security	3						
PLCY 801	Foreign Policy, Globalization & Statesmanship	3						
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						
PLCY 811	Quantitative Methods II	3						
PLCY 812	Qualitative Methods	3						
ELECTIVE COURSES (6 hours) <sup>1</sup>								
		3						
		3						
DISSERTATION COURSES (15 hours) <sup>2</sup>								
PLCY 980	Dissertation Prospectus	5		-				
PLCY 989	Dissertation Proposal & Research <sup>3</sup>	5						
PLCY 990	Dissertation Defense	5						

# **TOTAL HOURS 60**

## **Graduation Requirements**

Complete 60 hours

A minimum of 45 hours must be completed through Liberty University, not to include credits from a prior degree earned through Liberty University

A maximum of 15 hours of transfer credit, including credit from a degree on the same academic level previously earned through Liberty, may be applied to the degree 3.0 GPA

No grades lower than a B- may be applied to the degree

Successful completion of Comprehensive Exam

Successful defense of Dissertation

Degree must be completed within 7 years

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

## **Program Offered in Online Format**

#### Notes

 $All\ applicable\ prerequisites\ must\ be\ met$ 

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

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# SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

First Semester			Second Semester		
PLCY 700		3	PLCY 703		3
PLCY 701		3	PLCY 704		3
PLCY 702		<u>3</u>	PLCY 800		3
	Total	9		Total	9
Third Semester			Fourth Semester		
PLCY 801		3	PLCY 810		3
PLCY 802		3	PLCY 812		3
PLCY 804		<u>3</u>	PLCY 811		3
	Total	9		Total	9
Fifth Semester			Sixth Semester		
PLCY 805		3	PLCY 980		5
Public Policy Elective <sup>1</sup>		3		Total	<u>5</u> 5
Public Policy Elective <sup>1</sup>		<u>3</u>			
	Total	9			
Seventh Semester			Eighth Semester		
PLCY 989 <sup>2</sup>		<u>5</u>	PLCY 990 <sup>3</sup>		5
	Total	5		Total	5

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