LIBERTY UNIVERSITY. THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

Master of Science in International Relations (M.S.)

2019-2020 Degree Completion Plan

CORE COU	JRSES (21 hours)	<u>Hrs</u>	<u>Sem</u>	<u>Grade</u>
INTL 500	Fundamentals of International Relations	3		
INTL 502	Global Governance	3		
PPOG 506	Introduction to Geopolitics & International Diplomacy	3		
PPOG 641	U.S. Middle East Foreign Policy	3		
PPOL 650	International Law, Policy, & Politics	3		
PPOL 652	U.S. Foreign Policy & Sovereignty Issues	3		
PSCI 600	Comparative Politics	3		
ELECTIVE	COURSES (9 hours) ¹			
		3		
		3		
		3		
THESIS OR	<u>ELECTIVE COURSES (6 hours)^{1, 2}</u>			
INTL 689	Thesis Proposal & Research ³	3		
INTL 690	Thesis Defense ⁴	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

Program Offered in Online Format

Notes

All applicable prerequisites must be met

¹Choose from the following courses: Any 500-600 level course offered by the Helms School of Government. Other 500-600 level courses will be considered on a case-by-case basis

²Students may take two elective courses¹ instead of INTL 689 & 690
³While INTL 689 may be taken more than once, only one enrollment in the course will be permitted to count toward degree requirements

⁴Any thesis student who is not ready for enrollment in INTL 690 after completing INTL 689 may be required, as determined by the student's thesis chair, to repeat INTL 689 until deemed ready for enrollment in INTL 690

Suggested Course Sequence on Second Page

SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

First Semester			Second Semester		
INTL 500		3	PPOG 641		3
PPOG 506		3	PPOL 650		3
Elective ¹		<u>3</u>	PSCI 600		<u>3</u>
	Total	9		Total	9
Third Semester			Fourth Semester		
INTL 502		3	INTL 690 ^{1, 3, 4}		3
INTL 689 ^{1, 2, 3, 4}		3	Elective ¹		3
PPOL 652		<u>3</u>	Elective ¹		<u>3</u>
	Total	9		Total	9

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