

| <b><u>CORE COURSES (21 hours)</u></b>                             |  | <b><u>Hrs</u></b> | <b><u>Sem</u></b> | <b><u>Grade</u></b> |
|---|--|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| 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                 | _____             | _____               |
| PADM 620  | Public Administration Praxis: Legal & Contemporary | 3                 | _____             | _____               |
| PPOL 505  | Applied Public Policy Research Methods             | 3                 | _____             | _____               |
| <br>  |  |                   |                   |                     |
| <b><u>DISASTER MANAGEMENT COGNATE (9 hours)</u></b>               |  |                   |                   |                     |
| HLSC 600  | Introduction to Disaster Management                | 3                 | _____             | _____               |
| HLSC 610  | Understanding Terrorism & Homeland Security        | 3                 | _____             | _____               |
| HLSC 620  | Hazard Mitigation                                  | 3                 | _____             | _____               |
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| <b><u>THESIS OR ELECTIVE COURSES (6 hours)<sup>1, 2</sup></u></b> |  |                   |                   |                     |
| PADM 688  | Thesis Proposal                                    | 3                 | _____             | _____               |
| PADM 689  | Thesis Research <sup>3</sup>                       | 3                 | _____             | _____               |
| PADM 690  | Thesis Defense <sup>4</sup>                        | 0                 | _____             | _____               |
| <b>TOTAL HOURS</b>  |  | <b>36</b>         |                   |                     |

**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**

**Notes**

*All applicable prerequisites must be met*  
<sup>1</sup>Students may take two elective courses<sup>2</sup> instead of PADM 688, 689, & 690  
<sup>2</sup>Choose 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  
<sup>3</sup>While PADM 689 may be taken more than once, only one enrollment in the course will be permitted to count toward degree requirements  
<sup>4</sup>Any thesis student who is not ready for enrollment in PADM 690 after completing PADM 689 may be required, as determined by the student's thesis chair, to repeat PADM 689 until deemed ready for enrollment in PADM 690  
*Suggested Course Sequence on second page*

**SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE**

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

| <u>Third Semester</u> |          | <u>Fourth Semester</u>    |          |
|-----------------------|----------|---------------------------|----------|
| HLSC 600              | 3        | PADM 688                  | 3        |
| HLSC 610              | 3        | PADM 689 <sup>1,2,3</sup> | 3        |
| HLSC 620              | 3        | PADM 690 <sup>2,3</sup>   | <u>0</u> |
| PPOL 505              | <u>3</u> | Total                     | 6        |
| Total                 | 12       |                           |          |

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