LIBERTY U N I V E R S I T Y. THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

Doctor of Education in Community Care and Counseling (Ed.D.)

Pastoral Care and Counseling Cognate

2023-2024 Degree Completion Plan

CORE COUR	SES (27 hours)	<u>Hrs</u>	Sem	<u>Grade</u>
EDCO 705	Issues & Trends in Community Counseling	3		
EDCO 711	Advanced Group Counseling ¹	3		
EDCO 715	Applied Counseling Theories	3		
EDCO 725	Teaching & Learning	3		
EDCO 735	Statistics ^{1,2}	3		
EDCO 740	Diagnosis & Treatment of Addictive Behaviors	3		
EDCO 745	Intermediate Statistics & Research ¹	3		
EDCO 747	Qualitative Methods of Research	3		
EDCO 790	Crisis & Trauma Counseling	3		
PASTORAL	CARE & COUNSELING COGNATE (15 hours)			
EDCO 821	Ethics & Issues in Pastoral Counseling	3		
EDCO 826	Growth & Development of the Pastoral Counselor	3		
EDCO 831	Individual & Family Issues in Pastoral Counseling	3		
EDCO 836	Premarital & Marital Issues in Pastoral Counseling	3		
EDCO 841	Crises & Current Issues in Pastoral Counseling	3		
DISSERTAT	ION COURSES (15 hours)			
EDCO 716	Dissertation Topic ⁴	1		
EDCO 770	Dissertation Formation ⁴	1		
EDCO 900	Dissertation Design ¹	3		
EDCO 988	Dissertation Proposal & Research ^{3,4,5}	5		
EDCO 989	Dissertation Completion ^{3,4,5}	5		
EDCO 990	Dissertation Defense ^{4,5}	0		
Topic			Approved	
	TOTAL HOURS	57		

Graduation Requirements

Complete 57 hours

A maximum of 50% of a post-graduate and doctoral degree 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 grades lower than a B- may be applied to the degree

Successful defense of Dissertation

Degree must be completed within 7 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

¹Intensive Format optional

²Prerequisites are determined and assigned at admission into program ³Once the student enters the Dissertation phase, he/she must maintain continuous enrollment (Fall, Spring and Summer semesters) until all degree requirements are completed

⁴Course is Pass/Fail

⁵Ed.D students are allowed to enroll in EDCO 988 a maximum of three times before their dissertation proposal is approved. Ed.D. students are allowed to enroll in EDCO 989 a maximum of three times. Extensions for exceptional circumstances must be approved by the Ed.D. in Community Care & Counseling committee. Any student who is not ready for enrollment in EDCO 990 after completing EDCO 989 may be required, as determined by the student's dissertation chair, to repeat EDCO 989 until deemed ready for enrollment in EDCO 990 *Suggested Course Sequence on second page*

SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

First Semester		Second Semester	
EDCO 705 [B Term]	3	EDCO 735 ^{1,3} [B Term]	3
EDCO 711 ¹ [B Term]	3	EDCO 821 [B Term]	3
EDCO 715 [D Term]	3	EDCO 740 [D Term]	3
EDCO 716 ² [D Term]	1	EDCO 826 [D Term]	3
EDCO 725 [D Term]	<u>3</u>	Tot	
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Third Semester		Fourth Semester	
EDCO 745 ¹ [B Term]	3	EDCO 770 ² [B Term]	1
EDCO 831 [B Term]	3	EDCO 841 [B Term]	3
EDCO 747 [D Term]	3	EDCO 836 [D Term]	3
EDCO 790 [D Term]	<u>3</u>	EDCO 900 ¹ [D Term]	3
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Fifth Semester		Sixth Semester	
EDCO 988 ^{2,4,5} [A Term]	5	EDCO 989 ^{2,4,5} [A Term]	5
То	_	EDCO 990 ^{2,5} [A Term]	0
		Tot	
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