UNIVERSITY. THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

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

Dobson Center Marriage & Family Studies Cognate

2023-2024 Degree Completion Plan

CORE COU	VRSES (24 hours)	<u>Hrs</u>	<u>Sem</u>	Grade
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		

DOBSON CENTER MARRIAGE & FAMILY STUDIES COGNATE (12 hours)

	TOTAL HOURS	36		
DBPC 620	Healthy Sexuality: Biblical & Developmental Factors	3		
DBMF 610	Mrg. & Family Systems: Fndtions, Models & Techniques	3		
DBMF 605	Parntng & Child Displn. Strategies: Raising Healthy Kids	3	. <u></u>	
DBMF 600	Counseling Children & Adolesc.: Issues & Strategies	3		

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 towards 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 ⁵Superstrict Courses Superstrict areas

Suggested Course Sequence on second page

First Semester	_	Second Semester	-
PACO 500 ¹	3	PACO 604	
PACO 501 ¹	3	PACO 615	
PACO 504	<u>3</u>	DBMF 600	
Tota	19	Total	
Third Semester		Fourth Semester	
PACO 509 ²	3	PACO 699 ^{3,4}	-
PACO 617 ²	3	DBMF 610	
DBMF 605	3	DBPC 620	
Tota		Total	
PACO 617 ² DBMF 605	<u>3</u>	DBMF 610 DBPC 620	

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