

# PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (D.P.A.)

**Important:** This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2024 through summer 2025. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Core Courses</b>		
PADM 700	Public Administration Ethics, Statesmanship, & Governance	3
PADM 702	Advanced Public Administration Finance and Budgeting	3
PADM 704	Human Resources and the Legal and Regulatory Context of Public Administration	3
PADM 708	Studies in Urban Planning and State and Local Government	3
PADM 710	Information Management in Public Sector Organizations	3
PADM 712	Organizational Leadership and Behavior in Public Administration	3
PADM 804	Intergovernmental Relations and Public Administration	3
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>21</b>

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Research Methods &amp; Tools Courses</b>		
PADM 805	Public Administration and Research Design	3
PADM 810	Quantitative Methods for Public Administration	3
PADM 812	Qualitative Methods for Public Administration	3
PADM 885	Research Concept	3
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>12</b>

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Capstone Courses</b>		
PADM 887	Capstone I	5
PADM 888	Capstone II	5
PADM 889	Capstone III <sup>1</sup>	5
PADM 890	Capstone IV <sup>1</sup>	0
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>15</b>

<sup>1</sup> Any student who is not ready for enrollment in PADM 890 Capstone IV (0 c.h.) after completing PADM 889 Capstone III (5 c.h.) may be required, as determined by the student's dissertation chair, to repeat PADM 889 Capstone III (5 c.h.) until deemed ready for enrollment in PADM 890 Capstone IV (0 c.h.)

All applicable prerequisites must be met

## Graduation Requirements

- Complete 48 total 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 completion of Research Concept
- 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 Course Sequence

Course	Title	Hours
<b>First Semester</b>		
PADM 700	Public Administration Ethics, Statesmanship, & Governance	3
PADM 704	Human Resources and the Legal and Regulatory Context of Public Administration	3
PADM 804	Intergovernmental Relations and Public Administration	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>9</b>
<b>Second Semester</b>		
PADM 702	Advanced Public Administration Finance and Budgeting	3
PADM 708	Studies in Urban Planning and State and Local Government	3
PADM 805	Public Administration and Research Design	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>9</b>
<b>Third Semester</b>		
PADM 710	Information Management in Public Sector Organizations	3
PADM 712	Organizational Leadership and Behavior in Public Administration	3
PADM 810	Quantitative Methods for Public Administration	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>9</b>
<b>Fourth Semester</b>		
PADM 812	Qualitative Methods for Public Administration	3
PADM 885	Research Concept	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Fifth Semester</b>		
PADM 887	Capstone I	5
<b>Hours</b>		<b>5</b>
<b>Sixth Semester</b>		
PADM 888	Capstone II	5
<b>Hours</b>		<b>5</b>
<b>Seventh Semester</b>		
PADM 889	Capstone III <sup>1</sup>	5
<b>Hours</b>		<b>5</b>

<b>Course</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Hours</b>
<b>Eighth Semester</b>		
PADM 890	Capstone IV <sup>1</sup>	0
<b>Hours</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>48</b>

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