

# PUBLIC SAFETY (M.S.) - GENERAL

**Important:** This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2025 through summer 2026. 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>		
CRIS 605	Crisis and First Responder Training: Skills and Techniques	3
HLSC 600	Introduction to Disaster Management	3
PADM 510	Fundamentals of Public Safety Leadership	3
PADM 610	Management of Public Sector Organizations	3
PADM 620	Public Administration Praxis: Legal & Contemporary Issues	3
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>15</b>

Code	Title	Hours
<b>General Cognate</b>		
Elective <sup>1</sup>		3
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<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>15</b>

<sup>1</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.

*All applicable prerequisites must be met*

## Graduation Requirements

- Complete 30 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

### Course Sequence

Course	Title	Hours
<b>First Semester</b>		
CRIS 605	Crisis and First Responder Training: Skills and Techniques	3

Course	Title	Hours
HLSC 600	Introduction to Disaster Management	3
PADM 510	Fundamentals of Public Safety Leadership	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>9</b>
<b>Second Semester</b>		
PADM 610	Management of Public Sector Organizations	3
Elective <sup>1</sup>		3
Elective <sup>1</sup>		3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>9</b>
<b>Third Semester</b>		
PADM 620	Public Administration Praxis: Legal & Contemporary Issues	3
Elective <sup>1</sup>		3
Elective <sup>1</sup>		3
Elective <sup>1</sup>		3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>12</b>
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>30</b>

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