

**Center for Public Administration and Policy**

Virginia Tech

**PLAN OF STUDY – PH.D. PROGRAM**

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Student Name

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ID#

**PREREQUISITES** (to be taken before entering the Ph.D. Program or in the first year of doctoral study)

Subject	University where taken, Course Number, Title	Semester Taken	Grade	Credits
American Government				
Introductory Statistics				
Microeconomics				

**CORE COURSES (21 CREDITS)** (if Transfer Course list University where taken, Course Number, Title):

Field	Required course(s)	Semester Taken	Grade	Credits
Theory and Context	PAPA 6014 Public Administration Theory and Context			
Organizations	PAPA 6114 Complex Public Organizations			
Public Policy	PAPA 6214 Public Policy Processes			
	PAPA 6224 Policy Design, Implementation, and Evaluation			
Management	PAPA 6344 Leadership and Management Processes			
Ethics	PAPA 6414 Normative Foundations			
Research Methods	PAPA 6514 Policy Inquiry (NCR) <i>or</i> PSCI 5115 Research Methods (Blacksburg)			

**QUALIFYING EXAMINATION**

Field:	Field:	Field:	Oral exam date:	<b>Date exam passed:</b>
Field:	Field:	Field:	Oral exam date:	

<b>ADVANCED COURSEWORK (30 CREDITS)</b>				
<b>Minimum of 9 credit hours PAPA 6NNN or higher</b>				
<b>Working with a faculty adviser, the student will define 9 credit hours as a research concentration, 3 credit hours of which are recommended to be research methods</b>				
	<b>Course Number and Title</b>	<b>Semester Taken</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Credits</b>
Advanced Topic	PAPA _____			
Advanced Topic	PAPA _____			
Advanced Topic	PAPA _____			
Advanced Research Methods				
Elective				
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Concentration				
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<b>CAPSTONE (6 CREDITS)</b>				
<b>Course Number and Title</b>		<b>Semester Taken</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Credits</b>
Capstone A	PAPA _____			
Capstone B	PAPA _____			
High Table Presentation	<b>Date Presentation Given</b>			

<b>RESEARCH AND DISSERTATION (33 CREDITS)</b>		
<b>Course Number and Title</b>		<b>Credits</b>
PAPA 7964 Concentration Lecture		
PAPA 7994 Research and Dissertation Hours (minimum 27 hours)		
PAPA 7994 Doctoral Mentoring Program	Date 15 sessions completed:	

<b>RESEARCH MILESTONES</b>	
<b>Requirement</b>	<b>Date Completed</b>
Scholarly Ethics and Integrity Requirement	Advisor initials to validate:
Concentration Lecture	
Preliminary Exam – Prospectus Defense	
Final Exam – Dissertation defense	

**SUMMARY OF ACADEMIC CREDITS**

Course Number and Title	Credits
Total Transfer Course Credits (maximum of 42 credits)	
Total VT Course Credits	
Total Research and Dissertation Credits (minimum of 33 credits)	
TOTAL Credits for the Ph.D. Degree (minimum of 90 credits)	

**FACULTY APPROVALS****REVIEW OF PREREQUISITE COURSE COMPLETION AND TRANSFER ADVISING**

*The prerequisites and transfer credits contained in this plan of study were reviewed and approved by the following faculty members:*

\_\_\_\_\_ (print name) \_\_\_\_\_ Date

\_\_\_\_\_ (print name) \_\_\_\_\_ Date

**PLAN OF STUDY APPROVAL**

*This proposed plan of study has been reviewed and approved by the following members of the student's advisory committee:*

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

\_\_\_\_\_ (print name) \_\_\_\_\_ Date

\_\_\_\_\_ (print name) \_\_\_\_\_ Date

\_\_\_\_\_ (print name) \_\_\_\_\_ Date

Supporting Faculty Advisor

(print name)

Date

Received by CPAP Office Manager:

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Date

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