

**Program of Study**  
Ph.D. Program, Public Policy and Administration

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| <b>Name:</b> _____                                    | <b>Date:</b> _____               |
| <b>Address:</b> _____                                 | <b>T-No:</b> _____               |
| <b>City/State:</b> _____                              | <b>Zip:</b> _____                |
| <b>Catalog Year:</b> _____                            | <b>Degree:</b> <u>PhD</u>        |
| <b>Major:</b> <u>Public Policy and Administration</u> | Certificate if applicable: _____ |

1. Complete the Program of Study form in **consultation with the PhD program advisor**.
2. No graduate program at TSU may be completed with less than a 3.0 cumulative graduate GPA. A course may be retaken only once for the purpose of grade improvement and the second grade replaces first. *Additional* minimum core course grade requirements, benchmark exam requirements, and prospectus and dissertation requirements apply in the PhD PPA program. **C grades in 7000-level classes cannot count towards program completion and must be retaken.** Only up to two courses needed for program completion may be retaken for grade improvement. Review the limits and all requirements in the Graduate Catalog [online](#), in both the front matter applying to all graduate students and the program-specific section pertaining to this degree. Taking courses not in your program curriculum can negatively impact your Federal financial aid.
3. Review the PhD student handbook [online](#).

| <u>Required Courses</u> |                                  |                  |              |                           |
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| <u>Course ID</u>        | <u>Course Title</u>              | <u>Sem.Hrs.</u>  | <u>Grade</u> | <u>Semester Completed</u> |
| PADM 7130               | Research Methodology in PA       | 3                |              |                           |
| PADM 7140               | Applied Quantitative Tech. in PA | 3                |              |                           |
| PADM 7000               | Theory & Practice of PA          | 3                |              |                           |
| PADM 7220               | Administrative Management        | 3                |              |                           |
| PADM 7230               | Public Budgeting II              | 3                |              |                           |
| PADM 7310               | Public Organization Theory       | 3                |              |                           |
| PADM 7410               | Public Policy Implementation     | 3                |              |                           |
| PADM 8110               | Dissertation Credits (regular) * | 12               |              |                           |
| <u>Electives</u>        |                                  |                  |              |                           |
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| PADM                    |                                  |                  |              |                           |
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| <u>Prereq. Courses Required</u> |                  |                  |
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| <u>Course ID</u>                | <u>Sem. Hrs.</u> | <u>Sem. Comp</u> |
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The 12 regular dissertation credits may be spread over multiple semesters, based on student progress in consultation with the program advisor and chair. Those credits are PADM 8110 **sections numbered 80 or above** (ex. 98, 98A, etc.) For instance, a student may take 6 such credits in one semester and 6 in another, or 3 each semester for four semesters. How you break them up doesn't matter as long as all 12 are paid for, so plan that in the way that works for you.

Once the cumulative 12-regular credit dissertation requirement is satisfied, if the student is not yet finished, lower-cost "continuation" section credits must be taken to stay in the system and maintain library privileges (PADM 8110 Section 35). You can register for just one of those in each semester till you complete the dissertation (within the 10-year time limit set by the Graduate School). You may not graduate without completing a total of 12 full-price dissertation credits; see catalog. If you look in your registration history in myTSU you can see the section numbers of the dissertation credits you have taken already to double-check.

The I grades on your dissertation credits will not be changed to a grade till your dissertation document has been successfully defended and approved both by your chair and committee as to content and academic integrity AND by the Graduate School for Proquest submission. See the Graduate School website.

**Advisor notes:**

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| <b>Total Number of hours required for degree:</b> | <b>48</b> |  |
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**Student's Signature**

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**Date**

**Recommended by:**

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**Advisor** **Date**

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**Dept. Chair** **Date**