



ROBERTSON SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT

Master of Arts in Government
(M.A.)

*Concentration in
Political Communication*

Spring 2019 Approved Degree Plan

<u>GETTING STARTED (Required Co-requisites)</u>			<u>Hrs</u>	<u>Sem</u>	<u>Grade</u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	UNIV 500	Regent Foundations for Graduate Success ₁	2	___	___
<input type="checkbox"/>	UNIV LIB	Information Research & Resources ₁	0	___	___
<input type="checkbox"/>	ENGL 500	Graduate Academic Writing Seminar ₁	0	___	___
<input type="checkbox"/>	GOV 511	Career Management	0	___	___
<u>CORE COURSES (15 credits)</u>					
<input type="checkbox"/>	GOV 603	Research Methods ₂	3	___	___
<input type="checkbox"/>	GOV 604	Christian Foundations of Government ₂	3	___	___
<input type="checkbox"/>	GOV 614	American Politics	3	___	___
<input type="checkbox"/>	GOV 625	International Relations Theory	3	___	___
<input type="checkbox"/>	GOV 658	American Political Thought	3	___	___
<u>CONCENTRATION COURSES (12 credits)</u>					
<i>Required courses</i>					
<input type="checkbox"/>	GOV/COM 664	Political Communication	3	___	___
<input type="checkbox"/>	COM/JRN 600	Story, Popular Culture & Worldview	3	___	___
<input type="checkbox"/>	COM 611	Media & Social Influence	3	___	___
<i>Choose one of the following courses</i>					
<input type="checkbox"/>	COM/JRN 614	Issues in Media Law & Ethics	3	___	___
<input type="checkbox"/>	COM 651	Public Relations: Cases & Campaigns	3	___	___
<input type="checkbox"/>	JRN 610	News Writing & Reporting	3	___	___
<input type="checkbox"/>	JRN 633	Multimedia Reporting & Mobile Field Production	3	___	___
<input type="checkbox"/>	JRN 661	Community, Citizen & Civic Journalism	3	___	___
<u>ELECTIVE/INTERNSHIP COURSE (3 credits)</u>					
<i>Choose one course</i>					
<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____ ₃	3	___	___
<input type="checkbox"/>	GOV 695	Internship		___	___

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THESIS OPTION*Optional (please speak with an Academic Advisor) ⁴*

<input type="checkbox"/>	GOV 698	Preparing a Thesis Proposal	3	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/>	GOV 699	Thesis	3	_____	_____

TOTAL HOURS 30+**Graduation Requirements**

Complete 30 credit hours.

Degree must be completed within 5 years.

Only courses in which a student receives a **B - or better** will count toward a degree or certificate in the Robertson School of Government.

Maintain a 3.0 cumulative GPA.

The limit for the number of credits accepted by Advanced Standing and transfer is forty-nine percent of total degree requirements, which for the MA in Government program is 14 credit hours.

Notes¹ UNIV 500 Regent Foundations for Graduate Success (2) or UNIV LIB Information Research & Resources (0), as required upon admission² Recommended to take during first or second semester.³ Choose any course offered in RSG.⁴ Thesis can be produced during final two semesters. Thesis credits of GOV 698 and GOV 699 may apply towards primary concentration.

MA students have the option of earning multiple certificates.

SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE - 2 YEAR PLAN**Spring Term 1**

UNIV 500	2	
UNIV LIB	0	
ENGL 500	0	
GOV 603	3	
GOV 604	3	
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Total	6 to 8	

Summer Term 1

GOV 614	3	
COM/JRN 600	3	
GOV 511	0	
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Total	6	

Fall Term 1

GOV 658	3	
COM 611	3	
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Total	6	

Spring Term 2

GOV 625	3	
Concentration Crse.	3	
GOV 698*	3	
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Total	6 to 9	

Summer Term 2

GOV 664	3	
Elective <i>or</i> GOV 695	3	
GOV 699*	3	
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Total	6 to 9	

***only if Thesis option is chosen**