

PH.D. IN ECONOMICS

Requirements Effective Fall 2026

Code	Title	Credits
Core Courses		
ECON 501	Quantitative Methods for Economists	3
ECON 505	History of Economic Thought	3
ECON 604	Macroeconomic Analysis I	3
ECON 606/AREC 606	Microeconomic Analysis I	3
ECON 635/AREC 635	Econometric Theory I	3
ECON 704	Macroeconomic Analysis II	3
ECON 705	Heterodox Approaches to Economics	3
ECON 706/AREC 706	Microeconomic Analysis II	3
ECON 737	Advanced Econometrics	3
Advanced Electives ¹		15
Research and Dissertation		
ECON 698	Research--Technical Paper ²	3
ECON 799	Dissertation ³	27
Exams ⁴		
Program Total Credits:		72

A minimum of 72 credits are required to complete this program.

¹ Electives do not include ECON 699 or ECON 784 or ECON 799.

Electives must be 500-level or above ECON or AREC/ECON courses.

² Students have the option to apply for the Plan B MA degree following completion of ECON 698, along their way toward the PhD.

³ The dissertation is a substantial, independent research project that contributes new knowledge to the field of Economics. Students may enroll in ECON 799 more than once to complete the 27 total credits.

⁴ Preliminary and final dissertation defense examinations are required. The preliminary defense is a public oral presentation that presents preliminary research or scholarly findings corresponding to the dissertation in progress with committee-level questioning following the public presentation. The final defense is a public oral presentation that presents research or scholarly findings corresponding to the complete dissertation with committee-level questioning following the public presentation.