

ECONOMICS PHD

Degree Requirements

The following requirements are in addition to, or further elaborate upon, those requirements outlined in The Graduate School Policy Guide (<https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/tgs/academic-policies-procedures/>).

PhD

Total Units Required: 18

Course	Title
Core Courses	
ECON 410-1	Microeconomics
ECON 410-2	Microeconomics
ECON 410-3	Microeconomics
ECON 411-1	Macroeconomics
ECON 411-2	Macroeconomics
ECON 411-3	Macroeconomics
ECON 480-1	Econometrics
ECON 480-2	Econometrics
ECON 480-3	Econometrics

Nine Approved Field Courses ¹

¹ must include:

- At least one course in Economic History (ECON 420-1 American Economic History (or) ECON 420-2 European Economic History), and
- Three field sequences of at least two-quarters each. A field sequence consists of two or three quarter-length courses as determined by the department.

Other PhD Degree Requirements

- **Examinations:** satisfactory grades in each of the three core areas (microeconomics, macroeconomics, and econometrics); oral examination for approval of dissertation prospectus
- **Research/Projects:** two research papers presented in the student seminar (ECON 501-0 Graduate Student Seminar) or equivalent
- **PhD Dissertation:** original, independent research
- **Final Evaluations:** oral dissertation defense