Admission

Admission to the Doctoral Program in Economics is limited to students of outstanding promise with the potential to succeed in our program and contribute to the field of economics. We are in search of students with a strong quantitative background and exceptional strengths in the various fields that we offer.

In preparing for the Ph.D. program in economics a student can pursue an undergraduate major in any field. A student who has obtained at least his or her Bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university by August of the year the student will be entering the program can apply for admission. Applicants must have completed two semesters of calculus and one semester of linear algebra, as well as have demonstrated competence in undergraduate studies. GRE is required for consideration into the Economics Ph.D. program.

To learn more concerning our programs, our faculty, and to apply online, please view our web site: www.krannert.purdue.edu/programs/phd

Financial Assistance

Most Ph.D. students are awarded graduate teaching/research assistantships or research grants, which last for the normal length of the program, conditional upon satisfactory academic performance and performance of the duties of assistantships. Students admitted with an assistantship receive tuition remission of all fees (except for a graduate staff fee) and also receive a monthly stipend and are enrolled in a University medical/health insurance plan.

Quick Fact

Degree Requirements

To be awarded a Ph.D. degree in Economics a student must:
1. Successfully complete a minimum of fifty-two credit hours of work in core courses and electives. In the first year, students take core courses in microeconomics, macroeconomics, and econometrics. In the second year, students take courses in at least two specialized fields, a research methodology area, and other electives.
2. Write and successfully defend a dissertation of scholarly content and scope that demonstrates ability to carry out a substantial independent research project.

Workshops

During each semester after the first year in residence, students participate in workshops and seminars in their area. An average of 35 distinguished external speakers per year, as well as faculty members and students, give seminars in applied microeconomics, theory, or macro/international economics.

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Ph.D. in Economics

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Krannert School of Management
At Purdue University’s Krannert School of Management we prepare leaders who transform business and business education through rigorous analysis and innovative insight. Students collaborate with faculty on groundbreaking research in economics in the various specialized area fields of study. Many of our alumni are leading scholars and educators in their disciplines, and our faculty serve as mentors to ensure you have the same opportunity to achieve.

The purpose of the Ph.D. program in Economics is to educate scientists on the frontiers of economic knowledge through research and teaching. Our major goal is to prepare Krannert students for exceptional positions in teaching and research at universities, government service, research institutions, and other private organizations.

My experience in the Economics PhD program here at Krannert has challenged me to grow both academically and personally. I have been fortunate to work with faculty who are excited to help me advance my research and my career, and to interact with other PhD students who are equally motivated and passionate about the research that they do. From representing my fellow students as a KDSA officer, to traveling to present my research at academic conferences, to teaching courses as a graduate instructor, I have had the opportunity to become involved in a number of ways and to gain experiences that will continue to be valuable even after graduation.

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**Program Features**

"A student can learn economics from a book. A student can learn to be an economist only by interacting with professional economists and observing how they analyze research and policy questions. Ph.D. coursework at Krannert is a first opportunity for doctoral students to do this."

Stephen Martin
Professor of Economics

**Economic Research**

**Areas of Interests**

- Econometrics
- Experimental Economics
- Industrial Organization
- International Economics
- Labor Economics
- Macroeconomic/Monetary Theory

**Student Life-KDSA**

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**KDSA Offers**

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Ph.D. students come to the Krannert School to train and collaborate with our world-renowned and internationally diverse faculty. The faculty-to-student ratio is low, ensuring personal attention from our deeply committed faculty both in the classroom and for research collaborations. Our programs provide a solid foundation in theory and applied methods. A key advantage of having both economics and management Ph.D. programs in the same school is that students can tailor their research and coursework to fit their preferences, allowing them to conduct either applied or basic scientific research using the latest methodologies. Students have access to state-of-the-art research tools, including experimental laboratories and computational resources, so they can produce work on the research frontier and publish it in leading international journals. Our students leverage these research opportunities to find employment at top universities and government research agencies.