

PH.D. IN ECONOMICS



OVERVIEW

Our innovative Ph.D. program provides you with the advanced theoretical, quantitative, and statistical skills required to perform and interpret economic analyses in a wide range of policy-oriented areas. Graduates of the PhD in Economics program work in a broad range of in-demand fields including forecasting, policy analysis and evaluation, risk analysis, and economic analysis.

Our program focuses on producing top quality policy-oriented researchers through rigorous training in advanced empirical and analytical analysis. You will be prepared to perform and interpret cutting-edge economic analyses in a wide range of areas including education, environmental, health, labor, public economics, and technology and innovation.

WHY UNC GREENSBORO?

RECOGNIZED AS A TOP 10 "BEST ONLINE COLLEGE"

NAMED A "BEST COLLEGE FOR THE MONEY" BY COLLEGE FACTUAL

NAMED "BEST FOR VETS" BY MILITARY TIMES MAGAZINE

ACCREDITED BY THE SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS (SACS)

HIGH LEVEL OF RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

BRYAN SCHOOL IS AMONG 1% OF BUSINESS SCHOOLS WORLDWIDE WITH DUAL AACSB ACCREDITATION IN BUSINESS AND ACCOUNTING



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PROGRAM FEATURES

- Focus on applied research
- Close collaboration with faculty
- Students who work (and play) together
- Opportunities to share your work
- Professional job placements
- Career development funding



CURRICULUM

	Credit Hours	No. of Courses
Core Knowledge*	0-12 hours	0-4
Advanced Theory	12 hours	4
Empirical Field Courses	9 hours	3
Independent Field Research	12 hours	2
Dissertation Research	12 hours	2

*Core Knowledge courses may be required if not on master's transcript



MENTORSHIP

Collaborative research experiences with invested instructors sharing a deep commitment to teaching and scholarship



45-57 HOUR PROGRAM

Earn a PhD in Economics in as little as three years



CUSTOMIZABLE

Select a focus in: Public, labor, health, environmental economics, economics of technology and entrepreneurship, macroeconomics

Program of Study

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Fall Term ECO 741 Adv. Mathematical Economics ECO 745 Advanced Econometric Theory ECO 7xx Choose one field course (3 credits)	Fall Term ECO 797 Empirical Economics Seminar (6 credits) ECO 7xx Choose one field course (3 credits)	Fall Term ECO 799 Dissertation Research (6 credits)
Spring Term ECO 742 Adv. Microeconomic Theory ECO 746 Adv. Econometric Theory II ECO 7xx Choose one field course (3 credits) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Formalize Dissertation Committee ▸ Doctoral Qualifying Examination 	Spring Term ECO 798 Economic Research Seminar (6 credits) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Preliminary Examination/Dissertation Proposal 	Spring Term ECO 799 Dissertation Research (6 credits) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▸ Final Oral Defense ▸ Submit Dissertation

ADMISSION

Admission to the Ph.D. program requires the submission of a completed application including Graduate Record Examination (GRE) test scores and a completed master's degree in economics with:

- ✓ two courses in microeconomic theory,
- ✓ two courses in econometrics,
- ✓ one course in macroeconomics, and
- ✓ demonstrated skills in applied research methods.

Students who enter the program with a master's degree in economics may be required to take additional courses (up to a program total of 57 credit hours) if their prior degree does not fully cover these core knowledge requirements. Students interested in earning a Ph.D. in economics who do not have a master's degree in economics or who have a master's degree in economics that deviates significantly from these course requirements should apply to the MA Doctoral Track - combined M.A./Ph.D. in Economics.

DEADLINES

February 1st - Priority deadline

Complete applications submitted by this date are given first priority for admission and for fellowships, scholarships, and assistantships.

May 15th - Standard deadline

Complete applications submitted by this date will be considered for admission and for fellowships, scholarships, and assistantships after applications that were submitted by February 15 have been evaluated.

PROGRAM COST

	Tuition	Fees	Total
In-State	\$15,700	\$7,700	\$23,300
Out-of-State	\$56,800	\$7,700	\$64,500

Estimated program costs are based on completing 45 credit hours calculated by 2019-2020 rates. For a complete breakdown of all current tuition and fee charges, please visit the [Cashiers & Student Accounts](#) website. Student health insurance is not included in the estimated costs.

The Department typically provides tuition waivers to qualified doctoral applicants along with a small stipend or scholarship to cover student fees and the majority of cost of living expenses.



I feel my work is leading to direct action by influencing policy or decisions made by folks on the ground. The work we are doing is making a positive difference in the world."

Dr. Justin Larson
 Research Economist,
 RTI International
 Class of 2018



I slowly learned how to ask questions in my field, how to identify a research agenda, the literature I was interested in, and how to execute the work... the mentorship on learning the art of good research questions has been vital."

Dr. Jonathan Norris
 Lecturer of Economics,
 University of Strathclyde
 Class of 2018