

Catalog of Postgraduate Programs and Curricula
Curriculum for PhD(ACCT/FINA/IS/MARK/MGMT/OM)
(For students admitted in 2010-11)

Program Requirements for Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) Programs in Accounting / Finance / Information Systems / Marketing / Management / Operation Management

Credits

To take **at least 36 credits**, with a minimum of 15 credits of PhD level courses **excluding the common core requirements**.

Courses

1. Introductory Quantitative Requirements:

ECON	510	<i>Mathematics for Business and Economics; and</i>
ISOM	581	<i>Introduction to Probability</i>

The credits earned from ECON 510 and ISOM 581 are not counted toward the degree requirements.

2. Common Core Requirements:

To take **5** common core courses regardless of the student's major field, including:

- i) ECON 513 *Microeconomic Analysis; or*
ECON 521 *Microeconomic Theory I*
- ii) ISOM 582 *Statistical Methods for Business and Economics I*
- iii) LANG 501 *Postgraduate English for Academic Purposes*
- iv) AND two of the following:
 - ECON 522 *Microeconomic Theory II*
 - ECON 530 *Econometrics; or*
ISOM 583 *Statistical Methods for Business and Economics II*
 - ISOM 553 *Multivariate Data Analysis*
 - MGMT 714 *Doctoral Seminar in Behavioral Research Methods*

3. General Management Requirements:

Students who do not have an MBA or equivalent are required to take at least **3** of the following MBA-level courses:

- (i) ACCT 510 *Financial Accounting Foundations*
- (ii) FINA 512 *Corporate Finance; or*
- (iii) FINA 521 *Investment Analysis*
- (iv) ISOM 561 *Operations Management*
- (v) MARK 512 *Marketing Strategy and Policy*
- (vi) MGMT 523 *Management of Organizations*

4. Major Field Requirements:

To take at least **9** credits of PhD level courses in the major field.

Major Field Examinations

To pass major field examinations. Full-time students must take the first attempt by the end of the 2nd year, and part-time students must make the first attempt by the end of the 3rd year, unless a later date is approved by the Department.

Qualifying Examination

To submit research proposals, and pass the qualifying examination.

Research and PhD Thesis Examination

1. To conduct research and enroll in SBM 799 *Doctoral Thesis Research*; and
2. To defend the PhD thesis successfully.

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Curriculum for PhD(ECON) (For students admitted in 2010-11)

Program Requirements for Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) Program in Economics

Credits

To take **at least 36 credits**, with a minimum of 15 credits of PhD level courses **excluding the core requirements**.

Students who have taken the HKUST MPhil(ECON) program will be granted credit transfer to the PhD program. Students who have taken an MPhil or equivalent in other universities may be granted credit transfer on a case-by-case basis. In such a case, the maximum number of credits transferable is 36.

Courses

1. Introductory Quantitative Requirements:

ECON	510	<i>Mathematics for Business and Economics; and</i>
ISOM	581	<i>Introduction to Probability</i>

The credits earned from ECON 510 and ISOM 581 are not counted toward the degree requirements.

2. Core Requirements:

To take **4** core courses:

ECON	521	<i>Microeconomic Theory I</i>
ECON	522	<i>Microeconomic Theory II</i>
ECON	530	<i>Econometrics</i>
ISOM	582	<i>Statistical Methods for Business and Economics I</i>

3. Major Field Requirements:

To take at least **9** credits of PhD level courses in the major field, including:

ECON	525	<i>Macroeconomic Theory I; and</i>
ECON	526	<i>Macroeconomic Theory II</i>

4. Language Requirements:

Students must pass LANG 501 *Postgraduate English for Academic Purposes*.

Research and PhD Thesis Examination

1. To conduct a thesis proposal presentation;
2. To conduct research and enroll in ECON 799 *Doctoral Thesis Research*; and
3. To defend the PhD thesis successfully.