

Timeline of UT Economics Ph.D. Program				
	1 <sup>st</sup> year	2 <sup>nd</sup> year	3 <sup>rd</sup> year	4 <sup>th</sup> year +
Course Requirements	Micro I & II, Macro I & II, Math Econ, Prob & Stats, Econometrics I	Field Sequence I, Field Sequence II, Econometrics II, Econometrics III*	Elective I, Elective II, Research Seminar, Writing Seminar, Supervised Teaching Course	Research Seminar, Writing Seminar, Dissertation
Other Requirements	Pass core comprehensive exams. <i>Students who do not pass both core comprehensive exams by June after the 2<sup>nd</sup> year cannot continue in the Ph.D. program. In addition, students entering in Fall 2005 or later cannot continue in the Ph.D. program if they do not pass at least one of the core comprehensive exams by August after the 1<sup>st</sup> year.</i>	Write 2 <sup>nd</sup> year paper that demonstrates competency in applying economic research methods to analyze a substantive research question. <i>Students who get a failing grade on the 2<sup>nd</sup> year paper cannot continue in the Ph.D. program.*</i>  Earn certification in one field by passing both field courses with grades of B or better and by passing a field comprehensive exam or writing a satisfactory research paper.**	Write satisfactory 3 <sup>rd</sup> year paper under the supervision of two department faculty members. (The writing seminar courses provide an additional source of critical feedback on this research paper.)	Continue research for your dissertation (i.e., refine existing papers and write new ones).
Additional Objectives	Begin figuring out fields of specialization by attending selected seminars, talking to faculty and fellow grad students, and identifying your strengths and interests.	In summer after 2 <sup>nd</sup> year, begin thinking about possible topics and supervisors for the 3 <sup>rd</sup> year paper. The 3 <sup>rd</sup> year paper may be an extension of the work completed in the 2 <sup>nd</sup> year paper.	Begin participating in research "lunches" and seminars by outside speakers in your field(s) of interest.  Begin formulating a plan for your dissertation (research outline, committee members, etc.). Declare candidacy for Ph.D. before start of 4 <sup>th</sup> year.	By fall of the 4 <sup>th</sup> year, begin submitting your research papers to conferences and journals, with advice of faculty.  Meet with outside visitors to discuss research.  Prepare for job market. (The process begins in October of the year preceding the start of the job.)

\*Requirement applies only to students who enter the Ph.D. program in Fall 2005 or later.

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Continuing students who make better progress towards meeting the above requirements will have higher priority for receiving departmental financial aid in the following academic year. The number of students that the department is able to fund in any given year is contingent on the TA budget allocated by the College of Liberal Arts. In general, students are ineligible for departmental financial aid after their 5<sup>th</sup> year in the program. Students awarded TA positions are required to register for at least 9 credit hours per semester.