



# DOCTORAL DEGREE IN **ECONOMICS**

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## **Objectives**

The Faculty of Economics of the University of Porto (FEP) offers the Doctoral Programme in Economics since 1998. This course aims to provide advanced capabilities in Economic Theory and Quantitative Methods, leading to a deeper understanding of various specialised areas of Economics and developing skills for economic analysis and scientific research. The course structure is designed to ensure that students acquire thorough knowledge to develop economic research and to contribute to the advance of their specialisation area. The course encourages the submission of research results to publication in accredited scientific journals.

## **Applicants**

The **Doctoral** Programme is aimed at:

- holders of Masters degree (or those with the equivalent qualification from foreign countries);
- holders of Honours degree (or those with the equivalent qualification from foreign countries), and with a relevant curriculum that certifies solid capabilities to pursue the doctoral course;
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In any situation the candidates must have a high capacity and will to acquire advanced knowledge in Economics and the motivation to apply this knowledge, with the aid of quantitative tools, to scientific research in Economics.

## **Organisation**

The **Doctoral** Programme has an expected duration of eight semesters and consists of a course component with a three semesters length, a thesis project and then the doctoral thesis. The syllabus of the course component of the Programme has twelve courses, two of which are specialisation courses, leading to the thesis project and the thesis. Students also participate in the Doctoral Seminars, firstly attending the presentations by other students and then presenting her/his own thesis' results.

After completion of the course component, the thesis project is prepared and submitted for approval by the teacher. Approval in the thesis project and completion of the course component, with a satisfactory grade, are conditions of admission to the doctoral thesis. The degree of Doctor of Economics from the University of Porto is awarded upon passing the public defence of the thesis.

In order to tailor the choice of specialisation courses, as well as for personalised advice on the progress of their studies, each student is monitored by one of the members of the Programme Coordination Committee during the course component. Once a thesis supervisor has been assigned, by the third year of the course, the monitoring responsibility is transferred to this supervisor.

## **Functioning**

The language in classes, study materials and thesis is English.

The 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> semester classes are held on weekdays and, occasionally, on Saturday mornings. Students are expected to attend classes and to participate regularly in FEP's Seminar Programme, in which the Masters and Doctoral courses actively collaborate, together with the research centre CEF.UP.

**Application forms**, full **Regulations** and summarised **Contents** of the course are available at <http://www.fep.up.pt/> by accessing the Degrees\PhD Programmes\Doctoral Programme in Economics.

# Course Structure

Year/Semester	Courses	ECTS
1 <sup>st</sup> year	Microeconomics I	7,5
1 <sup>st</sup> semester	Macroeconomics I	7,5
	Microeconometrics	7,5
	Mathematical Economics	7,5
1 <sup>st</sup> year	Microeconomics II	7,5
2 <sup>nd</sup> semester	Macroeconomics II	7,5
	Macroeconometrics	7,5
	Computational Economics	7,5
2 <sup>nd</sup> year	Advanced Economic Analysis	7,5
1 <sup>st</sup> semester	History of Economic Thought	7,5
	Advanced Topics in Economics I	7,5
	Advanced Topics in Economics II	7,5
2 <sup>nd</sup> year	Thesis Project	22,5
2 <sup>nd</sup> semester	Seminar	7,5
3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> year	Thesis	120

ECTS- European Credit Transfer System

### COURSE COORDINATION COMMITTEE

Scientific and academic direction of the Doctoral course is the responsibility of a Coordination Committee appointed by the Scientific Council of FEP, presently composed of the following FEP Professors:

- **António Brandão (Director)**
- **Manuel M. F. Martins (Deputy)**
- **Óscar João Afonso (Deputy)**
- **Sandra Silva (Deputy)**
- **Anabela Carneiro (Deputy)**

### TEACHING STAFF

The course is taught by FEP own staff and by visiting Professors. The following visiting professors have collaborated or are collaborating in the Doctoral Programme in Economics:

**Adam Ostaszewski**, *London School of Economics (United Kingdom), 1998/99-2000.*

**Anabela Botelho**, *University of Minho, 2002/03-2004.*

**Andrew John**, *INSEAD (France), 1999/00-2003.*

**Antonio Ciccone**, *University Pompeu Fabra (Spain), 2000/01-2003.*

**Bennett McCallum**, *Carnegie-Mellon University (USA), 1999/00-2005.*

**Barry Eichengreen**, *University of California Berkeley (USA), 2001/02.*

**Carlos Hervés**, *University of Vigo (Spain), 2000/01-2011.*

**Charles Evans**, *Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago (USA), 1999/00-2001.*

**Charles Goodhart**, *London School of Economics (United Kingdom), 2001/02.*

**Daniel Akerberg**, *University of California Los Angeles (USA), 2005/06.*

**Delfim Neto**, *University of Vigo (Spain)*, 2005/06-2008.

**Diego Puga**, *University Carlos III de Madrid (Spain)*, 2007/08; 2009/10.

**Eytan Sheshinski**, *Hebrew University (Israel)*, 2002/03.

**Fabio Canova**, *University Pompeu Fabra (Spain)*, 1999/00- 2002.

**Fatih Guvenen**, *University of Minnesota (United States)*, 2010/11.

**Gerard Pfann**, *University of Maastricht (Holland)*, 2005/06-07.

**Giancarlo Gandolfo**, *University of Rome "La Sapienza" (Italy)*, 1998/99.

**Helder Vasconcelos**, *Catholic University of Porto (Portugal)*, 2008/09.

**Inés Macho-Stadler**, *Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (Spain)*, 2007/08-10.

**Isabel Grilo**, *CORE, Catholic University of Lovaina (Belgium)*, 1999/00-2006.

**Jacques-François Thisse**, *CORE and CERAS, Catholic University of Lovaina (Belgium)*, 1999/00.

**Jean Gabszewicz**, *CORE, Catholic University of Lovaina (Belgium)*, 2000/01-2005; 2009/10.

**Jean-Jacques Herings**, *University of Maastricht (Holland)* 1999/00-2001.

**John Chilton**, *University of South Carolina (USA)*, 1998/99.

**Kjetil Storesletten**, *University of Oslo (Norway)*, 2004/05.

**Lígia Pinto**, *University of Minho*, 2003/04.

**Luis Aguiar-Conraria**, *University of Minho*, 2009/10.

**Luis Martins**, *ISCTE*, 2010/2011.

**Massimo Motta**, *European University Institute (Italy)*, 1999/00.

**Matilde Machado**, *University Carlos III de Madrid (Spain)*, 2007/08, 2010/11.

**Nicola Pavoni**, *University College of London, (United Kingdom)*, 2006/07.

**Nuno Limão**, *University of Maryland (USA)*, 2009/10.

**Paul Belleflamme**, *Université Catholique de Louvain (Belgium)*, 2010/11.

**Paulo Brito**, *Technical University of Lisbon*, 1999/00 and 2002/03; 2006/11.

**Paulo de Freitas Guimarães**, *University of Minho*, 1997/00-2002.

**Per Krusell**, *Princeton University (USA)*, 2005/06.

**Philipp Schmidt-Dengler**, *London School of Economics*, 2006/07.

**Ricardo Reis**, *Princeton University (USA)*, 2004/05-2006, 2008/09.

**Roger Backhouse**, *University of Birmingham (United Kingdom)*, 1999/00-2011.

**Russell Cooper**, *University of Texas at Austin (USA)*, 2005/06.

**Vincenzo Quadrini**, *University of Southern California and New York University (USA)*, 2004/05; 2006/11.

## APPLICATIONS, SCHOLARSHIPS, CONTACTS

The application period runs from 4 to 29 April 2011, with applicants informed of the success of their applications by 27 May 2011.

The applications must be submitted online in [www.fep.up.pt](http://www.fep.up.pt) with the following documents:

- Certificate proving the applicant's qualifications.
- Certificate proving the courses completed in the different degrees and respective grades.
- *Curriculum Vitae*.
- Copy of the Identity Card.
- One motivation letter from the applicant.
- Two sealed reference letters (academic or professional) - Optional

If the vacancies are not fully filled, late applications will be considered. Further details on the Doctorate in Economics course, as well as on the other FEP courses, are available at Degrees on <http://www.fep.up.pt>

The Coordination Committee encourages and supports students who wish to apply for scholarships or other financial support.

The main institution responsible for awarding scholarships for study in Portugal is the FCT (Science and Technology Foundation):

Fundação para a Ciência e a Tecnologia:

Serviço de Formação dos Recursos Humanos

Avenida D. Carlos I, 126, 1249-074 Lisboa

Tel: (351) 21 392 43 10/1

Fax: (351) 21 396 43 96

E-mail: [bolsas@fct.mces.pt](mailto:bolsas@fct.mces.pt)

<http://www.fct.mces.pt>

Students applying for FCT scholarships should seek advice from the Coordination Committee on how to fill in the application form.

## INFORMATION AND CONTACTS

Additional information on the Doctoral course should be requested to the Doctorate Administrative Staff:

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