International Doctoral Program in International Trade

Brief Introduction

The School of International Trade and Economics (SITE) offers different programs entirely in English. Professors, faculty members and administrators communicate and all course materials, including books and brochures, are provided in the English language for international students who are interested in upgrading their qualifications and who wish to pursue a doctoral degree in International Trade and Industrial Economics.

The curricula offered by the international programs of SITE equip students with a sound and wide-ranging knowledge of the world and China's place in it, in combination with a focus on practical experience and research study. Under the guidance of our excellent faculty, you can prepare yourself for a promising career after the successful completion of the program. Upon completion of the program, you will be able to examine problems from a variety of perspectives and will be able to research a variety of sources and make critical assessments based on your findings. And students shall be able to relate their research interests to real-world economic problems, and develop strong ethical responsibilities and research skills.

Training Objectives

The goal of our PhD program is to offer advanced and highly specialized courses in International Trade and Industrial Economics. In the course of pursuing PhD studies, students are expected to actively participate in seminars and workshops and use them to help develop their PhD Dissertation topic, present their research in progress to receive critical feedback, and refine their analysis in the dissertation. Two fields of specialization are offered in the PhD program in economics: International Trade and Industrial Economics. Students enrolled in the PhD program are expected to write a dissertation in the corresponding field.

Research Orientation

1. International Trade
2. FDI
3. International Trade and Environment
4. International Transportation and Logistics

Educational System and Duration (for reference)

The number of school years for this program is 2, including 1 for classes taking and 1 for thesis writing. The maximum school years are not longer than 4 years. For a student fulfilling the plan ahead of time with the dissertation qualified for defense, it can be allowed for defense, graduation and application of the degree ahead of time.

Credit requirements

40 credits including PhD Dissertation.

Thesis

Literature Reading

Students are required to read at least 20 pieces of literature on topics related to their thesis and research direction including related field literature in foreign languages and to write a literature overview.

Thesis Writing

In addition to compliance with the provisions of school, a thesis must be written in a systematic and complete manner, presenting clear concepts, correct argument, realistic description, concise writing structure, smooth and concise writing style, correct calculation, reliable data, and clear icons.

Thesis Evaluation

The thesis should be written based on students' own study and research. The findings presented in the thesis should have higher academic value and positive impact on the economic development of China. Students are required to conduct at least one year of research, must pass proposal defense, pre-defense, similarity check, external double blind reviews and final defense can eligible for applying for a PhD degree.

Degree Granted

Doctor of Philosophy in Economics

Curriculum

The doctoral program in International Trade consists mainly of three stages: Core, Primary and Secondary Field courses and the writing of a dissertation.

Total Credits	Courses
Core Courses (15 credits)	Year 1 ECO600 Microeconomics Theory (3 credits) Year 1 ECO601 Macroeconomic Theory (3 credits) Year 2 ECO603 Advanced Econometrics (3 credits) Year 1 ECO604 Mathematical Economics (3 credits) Year 1 ECO680 Research Methodology (3 credits)
Core Courses: Chinese (7 credits)	HY001 Chinese I (2 credits)
	HY002 Chinese II (2 credits)
	CI001 Introduction to China (2 credits)
	Chinese Listening (1 credit)
Primary Field Courses (11 credits)	ECO620 International Trade Theory (3 credits) ECO621 Empirical Studies in International Trade (3 credits) ECO605 Statistics & Software skills (3 credits) ECO622 Directed Readings in International Trade (2 credits)
Secondary Field Courses (6 credits)	**2 courses (6 credits in total) from the secondary field** ECO611 Empirical Finance (3 credits) ECO630 Contract Theory (3 credits) ECO631 Game Theory (3 credits)
Dissertation (4 credits)	Dissertation
Total required credits	40 credits