

DOCTORATE PROGRAMME IN ECONOMICS

General Information

There are 5 Professors, 4 Associate Professors, 1 Assistant Professor, 1 Lecturer, 1 Lecturer and 3 Research Assistants in the Economics PhD Programme of the Department of Economics. Doctoral students can choose courses in the field of Economics. The completion period of the Economics PhD Programme is four years (8 semesters). The student who successfully completes his/her courses and thesis and whose graduation is decided by the Board of Directors of the Institute is awarded a doctoral diploma in economics. Thanks to the bilateral agreements made with the European Union countries and other countries during the Economics PhD programme, some of our graduate students can continue part of their education abroad within the scope of the Erasmus Programme.

Niğde Ömer Halisdemir University Institute of Social Sciences, Economics PhD Programme trains expert staff and academicians in their fields, ensures the dissemination of science in the field, contributes to the development of literature and offers solutions. As a result of the examination of many scientific books and articles related to their fields, it educates individuals who have the ability to write and comment scientifically and who think and question.

Aims and Objectives

Objective:

- The aim of the programme is to train specialised personnel who have the ability to carry out interdisciplinary studies, scientific writing, speaking and interpretation skills, have scientific management skills, and lead the provision of quality products and services by transferring the knowledge of the field of Basic Economics Expertise to practice at different levels of the public and private sectors.
- To train scientists with vision, analytical thinking and ethical values at the graduate level.

Target:

- To be able to propose solutions to national and international economic problems in the PhD Programme in Economics
- To play a role in contributing to universal science in the field of Economics
- To produce knowledge and research at a level that will contribute to national progress
- To develop scientific thinking and to create projects that will produce solutions to social problems
- To increase the employment of graduates
- To produce publications in indexed journals and to improve the quality of book writing.

Degrees Awarded

Students who successfully complete the programme are awarded the Doctorate Degree in Economics, Department of Economics.

Level

Department of Economics PhD Programme in Economics is a 4-year (8 semesters) programme consisting of 240 ECTS credits for those admitted to the programme with a master's degree and 300 ECTS credits and 5 years (10 semesters) for those admitted with a bachelor's degree. The programme meets the ECTS credit requirements and level qualifications specified for the doctorate "Third Cycle" defined in the "European Qualifications Framework for Higher Education (QF-EHEA)" of the Bologna Process and "Level 8 (doctorate)" qualifications defined in the "Turkish Higher Education Qualifications Framework (TYYÇ)"; as well as the "Level 8" qualifications defined in the "European Qualifications Framework for Lifelong Learning (EQF-LLL)".

Admission Requirements

Admission requirements are decided in accordance with the regulations set by the Higher Education Council of Turkey. Information about the requirements for application and admission to PhD programmes is announced on the university's website at the beginning of each academic year. The following conditions apply to both Turkish and foreign students. Students are admitted to doctoral programmes by evaluating the results of the undergraduate graduation grade point average for candidates applying with a bachelor's degree, master's degree for candidates applying with a master's degree, ALES and interview / aptitude exam.

- Candidates who apply to the doctoral programme with a bachelor's degree or master's degree must have a graduation average of at least 80 (eighty) out of 100 (one hundred),
- Those who apply to the doctoral programme with a bachelor's degree must have at least 80 (eighty) points from ALES, those who apply with a master's degree must have at least 65 (sixty) points from ALES, and they must have a document showing an equivalent score from foreign language exams accepted by the Board,
- ALES score (valid for five years)
- Candidates applying for doctoral qualification programmes (other than their mother tongue) must have at least 55 points from the central foreign language exams accepted by the Council of Higher Education and international foreign language exams accepted as equivalent or an equivalent score from international foreign language exams accepted as equivalent by the Measurement, Selection and Placement Centre (ÖSYM).
- Candidates who completed their undergraduate and / or graduate studies abroad must have an equivalency certificate from the Council of Higher Education,
- Candidates must apply in person. The applications of those who are missing the documents requested during the application will not be accepted.

Some Arrangements for the Recognition of Prior Learning

Students studying at Niğde Ömer Halisdemir University may be exempt from some courses according to Niğde Ömer Halisdemir University Graduate Education and Examination Regulations. Based on the principle of lifelong learning, Niğde Ömer Halisdemir University recognises courses previously taken at another educational institution. If the learning outcomes of these courses are compatible with the programme registered at Niğde Ömer Halisdemir University, they are exempted from graduation credits. In accordance with the relevant laws and regulations, students must apply for exemption within the specified periods and the institute board of directors must approve the exemption.

Programme Profile

The PhD Programme in the Department of Economics trains expert staff and academicians, disseminates science in the field, contributes to the development of the literature and reaches important results in practice with field research studies and offers solutions. As a result of reading and examining many scientific books and articles related to their fields, it educates individuals with high scientific writing, speaking and interpretation skills. This Doctorate Programme ("Third Level" in Bologna Process Higher Education Qualifications Framework, "8th Level" in TYYÇ) is an academic-oriented programme that provides its graduates with the qualifications to transition to professional practice areas, research fields and doctoral programmes that require advanced knowledge, skills and competence. The classification of the programme according to the "International Standard Classification of Education (ISCED) 2011" and "Turkish Higher Education Qualifications Framework (TYYÇ)" and the field codes are given below:

- **ISCED Education Area Code:** 310 - Social and Behavioural Science
- **ISCED Programme Qualification Level:** 8, Category (Profile): 84, Subcategory: 844 - Doctoral degree with academic emphasis
- **Turkey Higher Education Qualifications Framework (TYYÇ) Basic Field Code:** 314- Economics
- **Turkish Higher Education Qualifications Framework (TYYÇ) Qualification Type (profile):** "Level 8" doctoral degree with academic emphasis.

Education Teaching Methods

The most commonly used education and training methods in the programmes at Ömer Halisdemir University are given below. Programmes use most of the methods listed in this list according to their aims and objectives. The education and training methods used by the Department of Economics in the whole programme in order to achieve the targeted programme learning outcomes are listed in the "programme learning outcomes" section, and the methods related to a course in the programme are listed in the "course introduction and application information" section.

Examples of Education and Training Methods Used

- Lecture & Classroom Activities

- Group Work
- Reading
- Homework
- Project Preparation
- Seminar
- Internship
- Web Based Learning
- Application
- On-site Implementation
- Professional Activity
- Social Activity
- Thesis Preparation
- Report Writing

Occupational Profiles of Graduates

Graduates of the programme can be preferred employees in the service, tourism and industrial sectors as well as self-employed with the title of independent accountant and financial advisor. Our graduates can find employment opportunities in Small and Medium Enterprises (SME), large-scale companies and multinational companies and can work in many areas such as accounting, market research, production, marketing, after-sales services, planning, management and auditing according to their personal interests and preferences. If they are successful in KPSS exams, they can be appointed to senior management positions in public institutions and organisations, as well as inspectors, controllers, auditors, auditors, experts, etc. They can also be appointed to career positions or work as civil servants. Our students who meet the necessary conditions can also take the administrative judiciary judgeship exams, and if they pass the written exam conducted by ÖSYM and the interview exam conducted by the Ministry of Justice, they can work as administrative judges. Our graduates can do computer-based studies in various institutions with the computer skills that they can train themselves and learn. Our graduates are employed in various scientific research institutions, can produce projects and become academicians. In our department, domestic and international scientific studies are carried out and training seminar services can be provided to institutions that request.

Qualification Criteria & Regulations

The Doctorate Degree in Economics is awarded to students whose General Academic Grade Point Average (GPA) is not less than 2.5/4.00, who have successfully defended their thesis and passed all the courses in the programme with at least BB grade.

Academic Progression Opportunities

Students who successfully complete the PhD programme can work as academicians in universities and have a professional career.

Examination Regulations, Evaluation and Grading System

The methods used to measure whether the foreseen programme learning outcomes have been achieved during the PhD programme in the Department of Economics are given below. The outcomes related to the course units are shown in the section of the course description together with their contribution to the final grades:

- Midterm Exam
- Final Examination
- Make-up Exam
- Homework Evaluation
- Report Submission
- Computer Presentation

- Thesis Presentation
- Document Submission

Examinations

Midterm and final exams are held on the dates, places and times determined and announced by the university. The final grades of the students are given by the instructors based on the results of the midterm, homework evaluation and final exam and also taking into account that the students fulfil the attendance requirement.

In determining the final grade, the contribution of the semester activities is maximum 40% and the contribution of the final exam is 60% for all courses in all master's programmes determined by the Regulation.

Evaluation:

The success of a student is evaluated by the instructor for each assessment (semester studies and final) defined for each course. The evaluation is made out of 100 full points.

A student who receives one of the grades AA, BA, BB from a course is considered to have succeeded in that course. The success status of the students is determined by calculating the semester academic average and general academic average over 4.00 and announced at the end of each semester. The multiplication of the credit of a course and the coefficient of the success grade obtained from that course gives the weighted score of that course. The semester academic average is calculated by dividing the sum of the weighted scores of the courses in that semester in the course plan by the total credits of the courses. Annual courses are included in the spring semester academic average. The overall academic average is calculated by dividing the sum of the weighted points to be calculated on the basis of the success grades obtained from all the courses that the student has to take during the education period by the total credits of the courses taken (240 ECTS for those applying to the programme with a Master's degree, 300 ECTS for those applying with a Bachelor's degree). Course success grades and coefficients are determined as follows:

Note	Letter grade	Coefficient
90-100	AA	4.00
85-89	BA	3.50
80-84	BB	3.00
75-79	CB	2.50
70-74	CC	2.00
65-69	DC	1.50
60-64	DD	1.00
50-59	FD	0.50
0-49	FF	0.00

For detailed information, please visit the "[Grade Evaluation](#)" section.

Graduation Requirements

In order for a student to graduate from the PhD Programme of the Department of Economics, the following conditions must be met:

Students admitted to the doctoral programme with a bachelor's degree;

- To successfully complete at least fourteen courses, seminar course, proficiency exam, thesis proposal, specialisation course, • To take a total of 240 ECTS courses, 32 ECTS per semester,
 - To prepare and successfully present the thesis.
- Students admitted to the doctoral programme with a master's degree;
- To take a total of 240 ECTS courses, 30 ECTS per semester, to successfully complete the courses, proficiency exam, thesis proposal, specialisation course.
 - To prepare and successfully present the thesis.

Type of Instruction

Ömer Halisdemir University Department of Economics PhD programme provides full-time and face-to-face education.

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