

DOCTORAL PROGRAM OF STUDIES IN ECONOMIC SCIENCE

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CALL FOR SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSION OF NEW STUDENTS FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2013-14

The **UADPhilEcon** is aimed at students who already have an undergraduate degree or Masters level degree, and want to do graduate studies aiming at a Doctorate degree in economic science.

The **UADPhil** emphasizes economic theory and its applications, and considers economics as a social science, hence includes courses which define it as such, while at the same time it considers essential the deep understanding of mathematics and quantitative methods.

The **UADPhilEcon** program consists of two phases. Phase 1. Two years of course work in English. The courses are taught between 3-9 pm on workdays, and are compulsory. After the successful completion of phase I, a degree of Master of Philosophy in Economics (Mphil) is awarded. Phase 2. Writing of doctoral dissertation, whose successful defence leads to the award of the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Economics.

At the **UADPhilEcon** there is no tuition or fees. Students are required to actively participate in the academic activities of the department of economics. This comprises indicatively teaching assistance, research assistance, supervision of exams of undergraduates, etc. There are no scholarships awarded from the Program's resources.

UADPhilEcon is strictly impartial in terms of treatment of all candidates. It is addressed to all individuals irrespective of nationality or race.

The Admissions' Process

Applications for entry in October 2013 are now open. Applications will close on Friday July 12 2013 and a shortlist will be drawn and announced to the candidates. The interviews will then take place on a date that will be announced later but before the end of July. Final decisions will be made by the end of July 2013.

Stage 1 – Application

Applications must be sent by email to the address <u>uadphilecon@econ.uoa.gr</u> by the 12th of July 2013 (application form: <u>http://www.econ.uoa.gr/anakoinoseis-ekdhloseis-prokhry3eis-kai-xrisima-eggrafa.html</u>).

In addition to the application you need to submit (every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 10.00-15.00) or send by mail the following to UADPhilEcon, 14 Evripidou Street, 5th floor, Athens 10559 (these documents, once submitted, are not to be returned):

- Certified copy of your university degree. Foreign Universities' degrees must be accompanied by a certificate of recognition of Δ .O.A.T.A. Π . (Hellenic NARIC)
- Certified transcript of grades for all courses taken before. In case the degree has not been completed, a statement is needed indicating the number of courses remaining, as well as the grade point average of the courses taken thus far
- Curriculum Vitae
- Arrange for two academic references to be sent to us. Ask your academic referees to forward their references to UADPhilEcon via email to the above address from their academic e-mail address. Alternatively, they may mail it to UADPhilEcon, 14 Evripidou Street, Athens, 10559, Greece
- A statement of purpose not longer than 2.000 words, your research interests, and the reasons for which you wish to continue your studies at the UADPhilEcon (application form, page 3)

Stage 2 – Short-listing

The Admissions Committee (AC) will examine the applications and short-list candidates. Those short-listed will be invited for an interview. Alternative arrangements may be made for candidates residing outside of Greece.

Stage 3 – Interview

On the day of the interview, make your way to the 5th floor of UADPhilEcon by the advertised time. A one hour written examination will then take place (this will not be a test in economics, but a short essay on a general subject. The interviews will commence after the written examination. The Admissions Committee will interview each candidate individually. Among the topics that will be raised in the interview, the Admissions Committee will want to discuss both the candidate's statement explaining the interest in pursuing a Doctorate in Economics at the University of Athens (i.e. the statement included in the candidates' initial application) and the essay written on the day. *Please note that UADPhilEcon makes provisions for candidates residing abroad to be interviewed remotely: By e-mail, telephone and skype. If you think you qualify for a remote interview, please advise us in good time.*

Stage 4 – Final selection

After the interviews have been completed, the Admissions Committee will publish the list of candidates who will be offered a place on UADPhilEcon for the academic year commencing in the following October.

This call is addressed, as well as, to the holders of Masters Degrees who wish to pursue the program that leads to the Ph.D. in Economic Science with its specializations. For those accepted to the Program the executive committee of the UADPhilEcon will decide before the start of the fall semester the courses from which the student is exempt.