Admission: Ph.D. Economics

The Department of Economics invites applications for admission to the PhD Economics program starting in the Monsoon Semester (August 2013) of the academic year 2013-2014. The Department prefers full time residential students.

Students would be required to take a minimum of one year, and preferably two years of course work depending on their research topic and PhD advisor, before proceeding to submit a dissertation proposal and embarking on independent research under faculty supervision.

The current research interests of the faculty are broadly in areas such as micro-economics, macro-economics, environmental economics, law and economics, financial economics, mechanism design, policy and development economics, among others.

At SNU, the Ph.D. program is structured to facilitate timely completion of studies within specified duration. All faculty are committed to supporting our graduate students during and beyond their courses and programs of study.

**FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE:** The University offers attractive financial package to all the admitted students. Please see the university website for details.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Students who hold at least a Masters or an equivalent degree in Economics, Mathematics, Sciences or Engineering are eligible. A minimum of 55% in the Master’s program is necessary.

**ADMISSION PROCESS:** Admission will be based on student’s performance in a written test and an interview. The written exam will consist of two parts. The first part consists of compulsory questions in mathematics. In the second part of the exam the students will have a choice of answering either a section on economics or on advanced mathematics.

**Syllabus for the exam:** For the mathematics sections of the exam the students should be familiar with the following: Limits, Continuity, Sequences and series, differentiation, definite and indefinite integration, basic probability theory, permutations and combinations, basic linear algebra, basic set theory and basic statistics.

For economics the students may be tested on the following topics: Consumer theory, producer theory, basic market structures, welfare economics, basic international trade and basic macroeconomic concepts.

The test will be on the 30th June at HCL Sector 16 office. Based on the results of the written test a personal interview would be held on 1st of July at the same venue.

**ENCLOSURES:** Please enclose the following with your application:

a) Latest CV

b) Transcripts of school, Bachelor’s and Master’s degrees
c) At least three recommendation letters (these letters have to come directly to the address mentioned below)

d) A typed statement of purpose (no more than 2000 words) stating why do you want to do a PhD at SNU

e) A demand draft for Rs. 1000/- (in favour of “Shiv Nadar University” payable at Delhi)

**HOW TO APPLY**: The application should reach us by 20\textsuperscript{th} June, 2013. All the interested candidates should apply on the prescribed form. ([Click here](#) to download the form).

You have two options for sending in the Ph.D. application: (i) either email the soft copy of filled in form to KaynatQazi at econgrad@snu.edu.in and post the enclosures, specially the draft and the sealed reference letters; (ii) or post the hard copy of the filled in form, along with all the mark sheets and the sealed reference letters to KaynatQazi given below:

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