DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS
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College of Letters and Science
University of California, Santa Barbara
Student Name:
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DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY - ECONOMICS - 2023-24
In addition to departmental requirements, candidates for graduate degrees must fulfill University requirements described in the "Graduate Education" section of the UCSB General Catalog.

Ph.D. students must successfully complete one year of required core courses in Microeconomic Theory (Economics 210A-B-C), Macroeconomic Theory (Economics 204A-B-C), and Econometrics (Economics 241A-B-C). The Microeconomic Theory, Macroeconomic Theory and Econometrics courses must be completed with a grade of B or better in each course. Students are expected to maintain an overall GPA of at least 3.0.

Time-to-degree: 3 years and 1 quarter to advance to candidacy, 6 years to complete the Ph.D.

| CORE COURSES (36.0 units total) |  |  |  |
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| COURSE \# | COURSE NAME | UNITS | GRADE |
| ECON 210A | Microeconomics: Theory of Consumption and Production | 4.0 |  |
| ECON 210B | Microeconomics: Game Theory | 4.0 |  |
| ECON 210C | Microeconomics: Markets and Incentives | 4.0 |  |
| ECON 204A | Macroeconomic Theory | 4.0 |  |
| ECON 204B | Macroeconomic Theory | 4.0 |  |
| ECON 204C | Macroeconomic Theory | 4.0 |  |
| ECON 241A | Econometrics | 4.0 |  |
| ECON 241B | Econometrics | 4.0 |  |
| ECON 241C | Econometrics | 4.0 |  |

## PRELIMINARY EXAMINATIONS

All students are expected to successfully complete the preliminary examinations in Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, and Econometrics. Preliminary examinations are graded; Fail, M.A. Pass, Ph.D. Pass, and/or Ph.D. Pass with Distinction. To proceed to the second year of the Ph.D. program, students must receive a Ph.D. pass or better on all exams. Those receiving an M.A. Pass or better on all exams are entitled to the Master of Arts degree, as long as they fulfill the class grade requirements specified above.

A first year Ph.D. student is entitled to "grade out" of at most one preliminary exam. To be entitled to grade out of the preliminary exam for one of the core areas (Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, Econometrics) the following conditions must all be satisfied:

1. One of the three 1st year class grades in this area must be an $A$ or better.
2. Two of the three 1 st year class grades in this area must be $A$ - or better.
3. All three 1st year class grades in this area must be $\mathrm{B}+$ or better.

If a student satisfies these requirements for more than one area, he or she may decide which exam to drop. Students who grade out of an exam still require a PhD pass or better on both remaining exams to qualify for the second year of the program.

A student who grades out of an exam, but fails to obtain a PhD pass on any exam they attempt may make one additional attempt on that exam in August of their first year. The student must retake the exam they failed on the first attempt, they cannot switch to another subject area they may have qualified to grade out of.

A student who grades out of one exam and obtains an MA pass or better on the two preliminary exams they take qualifies for the MA degree, as long as they fulfill the other requirements for the M.A. degree specified above

Ph.D. Faculty Advisor:
Signature

Print Name

## Date Comprehensive Exams Passed:

In the second year of the Ph.D. program students are required to complete a minimum of 28 unique units of advanced coursework in Economics, not counting new seminars. The courses taken must fulfill the requirements for at least two fields they wish to specialize in. A course may count for more than one field, but 28 unique units are required. All classes are 2 units (i.e., half a quarter of instruction) unless specified otherwise.

Fulfilling Requirements for a Specialization: (1) If a specialization offers elective classes, students must complete 16 units in total. At least 8 of these units must come from core courses. (2) If a specialization does not offer elective classes, students must complete 12 units in total. All 12 units must come from core courses. (3) A passing grade of $B$ or better is required for a course to count towards a field of specialization or elective.

| ELECTIVES (28.0 Units Total) |  |  |  |
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## ADVANCEMENT TO CANDIDACY/DISSERTATION RESEARCH

In the second year, students begin a research project to launch their dissertation research.
Once all field courses, field electives, and research paper requirements have been completed, students are required to advance to candidacy. To advance, students form a dissertation committee, and will present a dissertation proposal to the committee in their Econ 290 research seminar group.

All students are required to advance to candidacy by the end of the Fall Quarter of their fourth year.
The Ph.D. is completed by the submission of a dissertation acceptable to the student's doctoral committee. Public defense of the completed dissertation is required of all students.

Qualifying Exam passed on: $\qquad$

Doctoral Committee: Chair: $\qquad$
Member: $\qquad$
Member: $\qquad$
Member: $\qquad$

