



The PhD Program in Finance at the Stockholm School of Economics (SSE) follows the standard US format: rigorous coursework in the first two years, and independent work on research projects that will make up the doctoral dissertation in the last two years. A specially designed course program, the Stockholm Doctoral Course Program in Economics, Econometrics and Finance (SDPE), is organized by SSE jointly with Stockholm University for our doctoral students in Economics and Finance.

PHD PROGRAM IN FINANCE 5 YEARS, 240 ECTS

A dissertation from our program typically consists of several essays in one or several fields of financial economics, which are expected to be suitable for publication in international scientific journals – the main channel for communicating research results. A strong track record of placing our graduates in leading academic institutions around the world reflects the strengths of the program and the dedication of our faculty to support our doctoral students.

In order to receive a PhD degree in Finance from SSE, you must earn 240 ECTS (4 years). These credits consist of a coursework component (105 ECTS) and a dissertation component (135 ECTS). In the first year, the coursework component consists of seven courses (45 ECTS) integrated in the SDPE program, and two additional finance courses (15 ECTS). In the second year, the coursework consists of three finance courses (22.5 ECTS), as well as elective courses (22.5 ECTS), where you can take more finance courses, including shorter mini courses on specialized areas in finance, or topic courses in economics.

Teaching experience and seminars are integral parts of the PhD program in Finance and entitles you to a fifth year. From the second year you are strongly encouraged to do some teaching in addition to research assistance and to participate in finance seminars and workshops.

Also in your second year, you need to find a research subject and a suitable supervisor for your dissertation. You will spend your final years completing your dissertation. Research and conference travels are encouraged, and travel stipends for mini courses and PhD workshops are available through the Swedish House of Finance (SHoF).

“Here at SSE, there are many opportunities to be exposed to the frontier of research in finance – through the regular seminars by faculty and visiting researchers, as well as the many courses available to PhD students. The PhD programme in finance at SSE allows students to further their own research and development, both at the department but also at the international stage.”

KATARINA WARG
PhD Student
Department of Finance

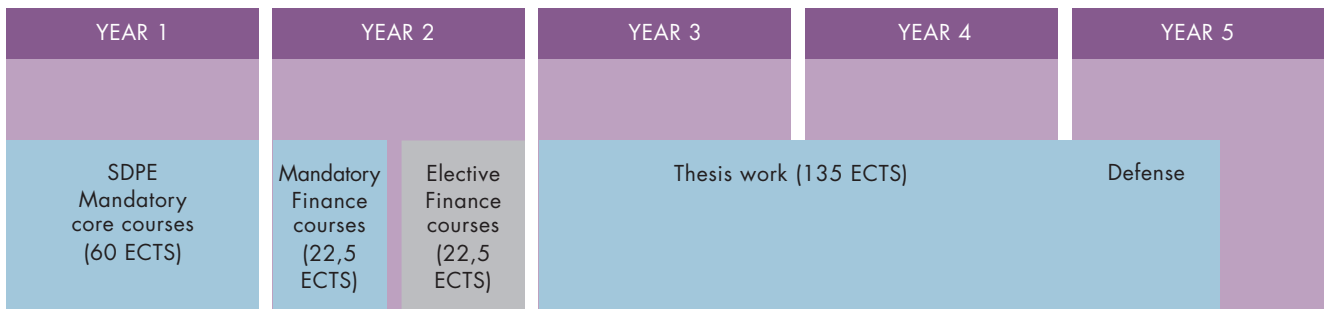


WE OFFER PROGRAM RESEARCH AREAS IN:

- Corporate Finance and Contract Theory
- Law and Finance and Corporate Governance
- Asset Pricing and Financial Econometrics
- Derivatives and Risk Management
- Behavioral Finance
- Market Microstructure
- Real Estate
- Mathematical Finance



PHD PROGRAM IN FINANCE – PROGRAM STRUCTURE



“Research is both challenging and stimulating. If you are passionate about a topic and have a curious mind, it gives you a lot of flexibility in trying to understand the world. You are free to pursue the research questions of your choice and to choose how to analyze them. The challenge of finding answers to questions in an economic and financial environment that is constantly evolving makes research an exciting profession.”

PATRICK AUGUSTIN
Assistant Professor,
McGill University,
SSE PhD Finance 2013



ELIGIBILITY

If you have one university level degree, at least three semesters (corresponding to 90 ECTS credits) of prior university level studies in Finance or Economics, and one year of Master level studies or the equivalent, you can apply to the PhD Program in Finance.

5 REASONS TO CHOOSE SSE

Why do a PhD at SSE? These are our top 5 reasons.

- ① TOP INTERNATIONAL RANKING
- ② RESEARCH-BASED EDUCATION
- ③ STRONG LINKS TO BUSINESS SOCIETY
- ④ STOCKHOLM – ONE OF THE MOST INNOVATIVE REGIONS IN THE WORLD
- ⑤ PROFESSORS AMONG LEADING EXPERTS IN THEIR FIELDS

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