PhD in Human Environmental Sciences with Emphasis in Personal Financial Planning

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The doctoral program is designed to develop skill in the evaluation and generation of research that advances the disciplines engaged in Personal Financial Planning, such as Personal Finance, Family Economics, Consumer Economics, Corporate Finance, Law, among others. This program prepares students for careers in university research and teaching, government, Extension, or public policy evaluation.

Degree Requirements

A minimum of 72 credit hours are required for the degree with at least 15 credit hours at the 8000 level or above exclusive of problems, readings and research. Students must complete a research dissertation. Up to 6 credit hours are earned for this portion of the degree by registering for FINPLN 9090 Doctoral Dissertation Research in Personal Financial Planning. The first six hours can be included in the required total of 72 hours.

List of Potential Courses

THEORY COMPONENT

FINPLN 7393 Financial Planning: Estate and Gift Planning
Supporting Coursework
FINANC 7440 Managerial Finance
FINANC 7820 Investment Fund Management
Possible additions/substitutions
FINANC 8320 Financial Markets
FINANC 8360 Equity Securities Analysis
FINANC 8370 Fixed-Income Securities Analysis
FINANC 8410 Advanced Financial Management
H_D_FS 7255 Aging Policy
H_D_FS 7257 Aging and the Family
PUB_AF 8170 Public Policy Processes and Strategies

RESEARCH COMPONENT

FINPLN 7087 Seminar in Household Economics and Finance
FINPLN 8450 Applied Research in Household Economics and Planning
ECONOM 9476 Advanced Topics in Econometrics II
FINANC 9100 Seminar in Corporate Finance
Possible additions/substitutions
ECONOM 9472 Econometric Theory I
ECONOM 7371 Introductory Econometrics
ECONOM 8473 Applied Econometrics
H_D_FS 8200 Research Methods in Human Development and Family Science
H_D_FS 9200 Advanced Research Methods in Human Development and Family Science
SOCIO 7120 Social Statistics
SOCIO 8130 Advanced Social Statistics
STAT 7110 Statistical Software and Data Analysis
STAT 7510 Applied Statistical Models I
STAT 8220 Applied Statistical Models II
STAT 8310 Data Analysis I
STAT 8320 Data Analysis II
PUB_AF 8190 Economic Analysis for Public Affairs

SKILLS COMPONENT

FINPLN 7282 Advanced Financial Counseling
FINPLN 7389 Financial Planning: Capstone
FINPLN 7993 Internship in Personal Financial Planning

DISSERTATION (6 hours minimum)

FINPLN 9090 Doctoral Dissertation Research in Personal Financial Planning

Application Deadlines
Fall deadline: February 1
Spring deadline: October 1

Admission Criteria

• Minimum TOEFL scores (for ESL applicants only):

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- Minimum GPA: 3.0 in last 60 hours

**Required Application Materials**

*To the Graduate School:*

- All required Graduate School documents
- 3 letters of recommendation
- GRE or GMAT scores
- Statement of Purpose
- Official transcripts