

Structures and Forms of Doctoral Programmes in Business (Schools)

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Admin structure

- ⦿ Programme overseen by ADDP who is also part of School Senior Management Team (+ Deputy Director)
- ⦿ School subdivided in to subject groups and research centres
- ⦿ Each SG/RC has DP rep
- ⦿ Reps locally manage decisions on admissions, supply of supervision, with central support.
- ⦿ Quality of supervision monitored locally (?)
- ⦿ Central DPO (c. 3ftes) that administers admissions, scholarships, programme wide reporting, publicity, marketing etc.; upgrades/completion reviews; and training programme(s)
- ⦿ DPC headed by ADDP, Reps as members (+), that oversees the whole.

WBS DP Structure

- ⦿ Post Masters entry (MBA?)
- ⦿ General Programme + Finance programme
- ⦿ 1st year training (general)
 - Quants and Quails
 - Planning and managing your research
 - Philosophy of the Social Sciences
 - Assessment by essays
- ⦿ 3/4 years supervised research
- ⦿ Two supervisors
- ⦿ Upgrade procedure (year 1 term 3)
- ⦿ Continuation review (early in year 3)
- ⦿ Criterion: a significant contribution to knowledge
- ⦿ An internal and an external examiner with an oral examination.

Applications

Intake year	Total	Full time	Part time	Home	EU	OS
2006	329	324	5	21	33	275
2007	341	326	15	20	40	281
2008	342	321	21	29	38	275
2009	435	423	12	36	60	339

Offers

Intake year	Total	Full time	Part time	Home	EU	OS
2006	41	35	6	11	12	18
2007	61	55	6	10	13	38
2008	50	44	6	7	12	31
2009	64	63	1	10	16	38

Current Applications 2010 intake

- ◎ Main Doctoral programme 80 including 2 part time
- ◎ Finance Doctoral programme 33 all full time (we do not offer this as a part time programme)

Main Doctoral Programme Applications

Total applications so far = 80

51 Male 29 Female 78 FT 2 PT

With a total of 35 different nationalities

UK	Europe & Near East	Middle East inc Egypt	Far East	Indian Sub-continent	North America	S & C America	Sub Saharan Africa
8	12	21	20	8	4	3	4

Finance Doctoral Programme Applications

Total applications so far = 33

Male 21 Female 12

With a total of 22 different nationalities

UK	Europe & Near East	Middle East inc Egypt	Far East	Indian Sub-continent	North America	S & C America	Sub Saharan Africa
1	5	8	14	3	0	1	1

New Admissions

The summary profile of new admissions to each year since 2003 is as follows

Year	Total	UK	EU	OS	FT	PT	Male	Femal
2003/04	22	7	5	10	18	3	12	10
2004/05	37	15	9	13	29	8	16	21
2005/06	37	4	7	26	34	3	23	14
2006/07	32	11	11	10	26	6	18	14
2007/08*	38	8	11	25	39	6	33	12
2008/09*	36	11	9	16	30	6	16	20
2009/10 *	36	6	12	18	36	0	25	11

*Figures from 2007/08 include PhD in Finance

PHD Finance Admissions

Year	Total	UK	EU	OS	FT	PT *	Male	Femal
2007/08	7	0	1	5	7	NA	6	1
2008/09	8	0	3	5	8	NA	4	4
2009/10	4	1	1	2	4	NA	3	1

*PhD Finance is only offered as a full time programme

Supervision

- ◎ All students have at least one supervisor when they enter the programme
- ◎ Some students have a 2nd supervisor from the time that they start
- ◎ Most others will have a 2nd supervisor allocated after they have upgraded from MPhil to PhD
- ◎ 119 academic staff are involved in the supervision of our doctoral students

Graduation numbers

PhD Award	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Full time	17	15	14	16	18	25	25	30
Part time	12	8	7	6	8	5	4	3
Total	29	23	21	22	26	30	29	33

Issues

- ◎ Doc Programmes are costly and are net consumers of resources
- ◎ Supervising doctoral students is fun, rewarding and good for individual/ institutional reputation
- ◎ Multidimensional heterogeneity (prior learning, methodology e.g. quants v qual), subject specialism, exit route, full time/part time, personal traits).
- ◎ Supervisor performance

More issues

1. Appropriate size of taught component. US model vs. European model. Influence of funding bodies.
2. Target employers
3. Student funding. Teaching assistantships etc.
4. Scale/Specialisation/Multidisciplinarity.
5. Part time/full time
6. Progress monitoring
7. Maintaining supervision quality
8. What is a thesis?