

# Higher Education: PhD Program (040106)

(学术型博士, 4年制)

This program contains individual mentorship (by faculty supervisors) and collaborative learning. Major types of learning include -taking course, independent learning, small-group discussion, issues-based research, and thesis writing.

## 1. Program Length

The regular length of this program is 4 years (6 years maximum). Based on program completion requirements, a limited number of outstanding students can apply for early graduation.

## 2. Research Focus

1. Higher Education Theories
2. Higher Education Administration & Management
3. Higher education Policy
4. Higher Education Assessment
5. Faculty Development Research
6. Comparative Higher Education
7. Academic Policy and Management

## 3. Types of Courses

Courses include general courses, specific courses, and major courses. General courses include university-level required courses such as political studies and foreign languages, and elective courses such as research methods courses. Specific courses concentrates on the fields of higher education. Major courses concentrates on specific focuses in the relevant field.

## 4. Credit Requirements

### (1) Course and Credit

Prior to the procedure of thesis defense, Students are required to complete at least 19 credits. In addition, the following specific requirements should be met.

The political theory courses in general courses include *Chinese Marxism and Contemporary World* (2 credits) and *Selected Readings in Marxist Classics* (1 credit). 4-credits foreign language courses are required. *Discipline and Ethics in Academic Research* is a non-credit course (independent learning and online

assessment).

Students should take at least 1 elementary course (at least 3 credits), at least 2 compulsory professional courses (at least 4 credits), and several optional professional courses (at least 4 credits).

Students should have interdisciplinary courses (elective) and obtain at least 2 credits.

**(2) Curriculum**

| <b>Curriculum category</b>              | <b>Name</b>   | <b>Credit</b> | <b>Semester</b>                  |
|---|---|---------------|----------------------------------|
| General Courses<br>(compulsory)         | Chinese Marxism and Contemporary World                      | 2             | 1 <sup>st</sup>                  |
|   | Selected Readings in Marxist Classics                       | 1             | 1 <sup>st</sup>                  |
|   | Foreign Language  | 4             | 1 <sup>st</sup> &2 <sup>nd</sup> |
|   | Discipline and Ethics in Academic Research                  | /             | /                                |
| Elementary courses<br>(compulsory)      | Research on Higher Education Theories                       | 3             | 1 <sup>st</sup>                  |
| Professional Courses<br>(compulsory)    | Research Paper Writing                                      | 1             | 1 <sup>st</sup>                  |
|   | Research on Management of Higher Education                  | 3             | 2 <sup>nd</sup>                  |
| Professional Courses<br>(elective)      | Methodology of Research on Higher Education                 | 2             | 1 <sup>st</sup>                  |
|   | Topic Study on Reform and Development of Higher Education   | 2             | 2 <sup>nd</sup>                  |
|   | Research on Higher Education Policy                         | 2             | 2 <sup>nd</sup>                  |
|   | Operation of Academic Organization and Institution Research | 3             | 2 <sup>nd</sup>                  |
|   | Comparison of Chinese and Foreign Higher Education          | 2             | 2 <sup>nd</sup>                  |
| Interdisciplinary Courses<br>(elective) | Take at least 1 course (not less than 2 credits)            |               |                                  |