



## SCHOOL OF SCIENCE AND HUMANITIES

### DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

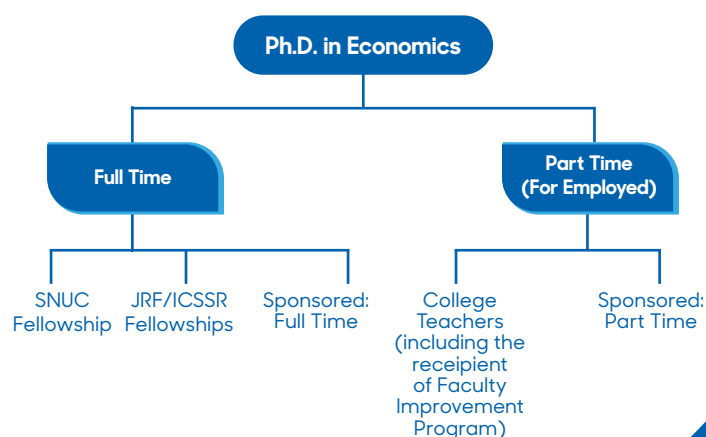
#### Ph.D. in Economics Admissions

##### University at a Glance

The Shiv Nadar University Chennai (SNUC) has been established by an act of the Tamil Nadu Government to promote, conceptualize and bring about a paradigm shift through the development of outstanding leadership, research, knowledge and ideas for education and allied development sectors. Located on a campus wherein Mother Nature co-exists in its pristine form with the state-of art facilities, SNUC is the place where hopes and dreams take shape. With programs designed to cultivate talent and nurture young minds to become world class industry-ready professionals/Researchers/Entrepreneurs, the university strives to promote academic excellence, innovation, and social responsibility. The multicultural environment of the campus makes the learning experience enriching, engaging, and enjoyable. Students interact with their peers from varied backgrounds, perspectives, and interests, and develop an inclusive global outlook. The campus offers a range of modern facilities and services to cater to the needs and preferences of the students, such as, well-equipped classrooms, labs, libraries, sports facilities, clubs, cafeterias, hostels, and much more. The campus is a home away from home for the students, where they feel safe, comfortable, and supported. The university offers a stimulating learning environment, rich in academic resources, research opportunities, and extracurricular activities. The university also fosters a culture of collaboration, diversity, and inclusion, where students learn from each other and from the faculty of eminent scholars and practitioners. SNUC is more than just an institution, it is a community of learners, critical thinkers, doers and go-getters, committed to making a positive impact on the society. Driven by a belief in the need for sustainable development, it is exactly the kind of place where one can attain emancipation of self and society.

##### Ph.D. in Economics

Shiv Nadar University Chennai (SNUC) aims to attract the creative, talented and critical minds from a diverse range of backgrounds, with a keen interest to pursue excellence in Economics research. The University provides exciting opportunities to obtain a Ph.D. degree in Economics under the following categories:



## Eligibility

1. Master's degree in Economics with a minimum of 55% marks or equivalent CGPA
- OR
2. M.Sc. or equivalent degree in Mathematics or Statistics with First Class or 65 % marks or equivalent CGPA
- OR
3. B. Tech./B.E. or equivalent degree in Engineering with 65 % marks or equivalent CGPA
- OR
4. A valid GATE in Economics and Maths (XH-C1)/UGC-JRF score or equivalent qualifying Examination, subject to fulfilment of either 1, or 2 or 3 mentioned above.
- OR
5. For Sponsored or External Category (EX) and Self-Financing Category (SF) candidates, there is an additional requirement of a minimum of 2 years of Professional work experience subject to fulfilment of either 1, or 2 or 3 mentioned above.

Please note that all candidates meeting the minimum eligibility criteria may not be shortlisted.

## Syllabus for the Entrance Examination

Microeconomics: Preference Relations, Choice Rules, Weak Axiom of Revealed Preference, Utility Representation of Preferences, Utility maximization, Expenditure minimization, Aggregation of individual demand, Production Sets, Profit maximization, Cost minimization, Choice under uncertainty, Game theory and strategic interaction and applications (equilibrium concepts for normal form games, extensive form games, games of incomplete information).

Macroeconomics: Neoclassical and Solow growth models, Dynamic optimization for firm and consumer (consumption vs. savings and labor vs. leisure) Fiscal policy and Ricardian equivalence, Monetary policy and non-neutrality, Exchange Rates

Statistics and Econometrics: Probability theory, Statistical Inference, Linear Regression Models and Least Squares, Heteroskedasticity, Multicollinearity, Mis-specified models, Endogeneity and Instrumental Variables, Maximum Likelihood Estimation, Binary Choice Models: Probit and Logit.

Mathematics: Permutations and Combinations. Sets and Relations, Functions, Limits, Continuity, Differential and Integral Calculus. Linear Algebra. Unconstrained and Constrained Optimization.

**Table 1: Details of the Admission Categories for Ph.D. Program**

Admission Category	Funding	Details
<b>Full Time: SNUC Fellowship<sup>1</sup></b>	SNUC	Fellowship of ₹ 20,000/- p.m.
<b>Full Time: JRF/ICSSR/ICCR Fellowships<sup>2</sup></b>	No funding from SNUC: Funding from UGC/ICSSR/ICCR	As per UGC//ICSSR/ICCR rules
<b>Full Time: Sponsored<sup>3</sup></b>	No funding from SNUC, funding from the sponsoring body	Those who are employed and wish to pursue full-time study, should be sponsored by their employer. Their employer should provide leave for at least 2 years during for the duration of the program or as prescribed by the research regulations.
<b>College Teachers (CT): Part Time</b>	No funding from SNUC  For those who are selected for Faculty Improvement Program (FIP) by the UGC will receive funding from UGC as per the UGC Rules	□ The candidates admitted under this category are those who work as full time teaching faculty of self-financing colleges, Government aided colleges or any other Government recognized educational institutions. They will have to obtain the requisite leave for the minimum duration of the program. Those who are recipient of the FIP award will be bounded by the UGC rules.
<b>Sponsored: Part Time<sup>3</sup></b>	No funding from SNUC	The employed candidates admitted under this category should obtain a no-objection certificate from their employer for pursuing Ph.D. and should get formally relieved from their duties to join the program. The leave should be at least for the duration of completion of the course work. These documents should be submitted to SNUC at the time of joining the program. The students joining under this category have to visit the University at regular intervals for interaction with their supervisors and for reporting their progress in the program.

1. Those who have cleared the eligibility criteria and are directly applying for Ph.D.
2. Those who have been awarded national-level fellowships or by any recognized bodies/Foreign-nationals sponsored by the Government of India or their respective Governments on any exchange program.
3. Employed candidates (in industries/academic institutions/ Policy making bodies/Financial institutions, etc.) within India, may be sponsored either for full time or part time research by their employers.

## SNUC Fellowship

Full-time SNUC Fellows (subject to the satisfactory performance in the program, which shall be evaluated continuously, in compliance with the University research regulations) will receive:

- Stipend of INR 20000 per month, with free shared accommodation in the campus.
- Contingency grant of Rs. 25000 per annum for research activities.
- Married scholars shall be provided with campus accommodation on a nominal rent, as per the University norms
- Research outputs/Publications are expected from the works of the research scholars. Leaving the program without completion may attract financial penalty.

It may be noted that SNUC does not provide stipend/assistantship to any other category of Ph.D. Scholars except for Full time SNUC Fellows. .

Tuition and other statutory fees are to be paid by the scholars, as intimated by the University from time to time.

## Research Areas

1. Development Economics
2. Open Economy, Macroeconomic Theory and Policy Practice
3. Financial Economics
4. Public Finance and Fiscal Policy
5. International Macroeconomics
6. Urban Economics
7. Poverty and Inequality
8. Labour Economics
9. Environmental Economics
10. Health Economics
11. Rural Finance
12. Economics of Education

Research areas of the faculty can be found at <https://www.snuchennai.edu.in/faculty/>

## Department of Economics Faculty

SI No	Name of Faculty	Designation
1	<b>Prof..D.K. Srivastava</b>	Distinguished Visiting Faculty, Concurrent Engagement Chief Policy Advisor, EY India, Honorary Professor at Madras School of Economics <a href="#">Dr.D.K. Srivastava – SNU Chennai</a>
2	<b>Prof. Pushpa Trivedi</b>	Senior Professor and Head, Economics <a href="#">Dr. Pushpa Trivedi – SNU Chennai</a>
3	<b>Prof. Jaydeep Mukherjee</b>	Professor, Economics <a href="#">Dr. Jaydeep Mukherjee – SNU Chennai</a>
4	<b>Dr. Shrabani Mukherjee</b>	Associate Professor, Economics <a href="#">Dr. Shrabani Mukherjee – SNU Chennai</a>
5	<b>Dr. Rohit M</b>	Assistant Professor, Economics <a href="#">Dr. Rohit M – SNU Chennai</a>
6	<b>Dr. Ashutosh Dubey</b>	Assistant Professor, Economics <a href="#">Dr. Ashutosh Kumar Dubey – SNU Chennai</a>
7	<b>Dr. Chaitanya Talreja</b>	Assistant Professor, Economics <a href="#">Dr. Chaitanya Talreja – SNU Chennai</a>
8	<b>Dr. Pleasa Abraham</b>	Assistant Professor, Economics <a href="#">Dr. Pleasa Serin Abraham – SNU Chennai</a>
9	<b>Dr. Indrani Sengupta</b>	Assistant Professor, Economics <a href="#">Dr. Indrani Sengupta – SNU Chennai</a>
10	<b>Dr. Surya Nath Maiti</b>	Assistant Professor, Economics <a href="#">Dr. Surya Nath Maiti – SNU Chennai</a>

## Academic Resources

## Infrastructure Facilities



ICT -enabled teaching



Online digital repositories for lectures/course-materials



Wi-Fi enabled campus



Flipped classroom based teaching



Well-equipped classrooms with LCD projectors



Conducive ambience for the students



Green campus

## Well Equipped Library




## Econometrics Lab: Equipped with State-of-Art Software and Database



Fee Details	Category	Amount to be paid
<b>Application Fee</b>		<b>Rs. 1,500 (non-refundable)</b>
<b>Tuition Fee (to be paid by the scholars)</b>	Indian Scholars	<b>Rs. 12,000 per semester</b>
		<b>Rs. 30,000 per semester</b>
	NRI Scholars Foreign Nationals / OCI	<b>Rs. 50,000 per semester</b>
<b>Caution Deposit (refundable)</b>		<b>Rs. 10,000/-</b>
<b>Admission Fee(one time non-refundable)</b>		<b>Rs. 5,000/-</b>
<b>Hostel Fee</b> (i) Scholars will be provided with free shared accommodation in the hostel (ii) Married Scholars will be provided campus accommodation at a nominal rent (iii) Hostel Caution deposit (Refundable) Rs.7500/- Thesis submission fee (to be paid by the scholars at the time of submission of PhD synopsis)		<b>Rs. 15,000/-</b>

## Admission Process

- ▶ Candidates are supposed to ensure the fulfilment of Eligibility criteria before applying for the Ph.D. program, as mentioned above or in the Ph.D. admission portal of the University. 
- ▶ In order to register your application, create a new account, fill in the necessary fields and upload the relevant documents.
- ▶ Pay the requisite application fee to complete the process.
- ▶ Application once submitted cannot be withdrawn or deleted.
- ▶ All the communication(s) [such as issuance of Test/Interview Call letters, Offer of Admission letters, etc.] will be made only through Email to the shortlisted/selected candidates. Therefore, the candidates are advised to provide the correct Email ID while creating a new account and regularly check their email for any updates with respect to their application for admission to the Ph.D. program.

## Selection Process

- ▶ Candidates, who fulfil the eligibility criteria prescribed, will have to appear for an Entrance Examination 2025, for 2 hours. The shortlisted candidates from the Entrance Exam will have to appear for personal interview. Final Selection will be based on their past academic record, performance in the University's Entrance Examination and the personal interview. The selected candidates for admission will be intimated within the stipulated date.

## Important Dates

<b>Application opening date</b>	<b>10 May 2025</b>
<b>Last date of application</b>	<b>09 June 2025</b>
<b>Written test</b>	<b>20 June 2025</b>
<b>Interview for shortlisted candidates</b>	<b>20 June 2025</b>
<b>Notification for shortlisted candidates</b>	<b>27 June 2025</b>
<b>Commencement of PhD Program</b>	<b>03 July 2025</b>

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