



THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO BOOTH SCHOOL OF BUSINESS
PhD Program Office
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PhD Program Orientation Schedule

Tuesday, September 4 – Friday, September 21

Tuesday, September 4

9:00-10:00 a.m.
Room 3B

Welcome and Introduction: Jeff Russell, Faculty Director, and Malaina Brown, Director. **Attendance Required.**

10:00-11:00 a.m.
Room 3B

Orientation Panel--Health Services at the University of Chicago: Representatives from the University of Chicago's Student Health and Counseling Services (SHCS) will present information related to Student Health, Student Counseling, Health Promotion & Wellness and Student Health Insurance (USHIP), and will answer your questions on these topics. **Attendance required.**

11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Room 3B

Orientation Panel--Safety and Security at the University of Chicago: Representatives from the Office of the Provost and University of Chicago Police Department will present information related to Title IX and Safety and Security and will answer your questions on these topics. **Attendance required.**

12:00-1:00 p.m.
Room 219

Welcome Lunch: Join current students for a welcome lunch.

1:00-2:00 p.m.
Various Rooms (see below)*

Dissertation Area Meetings: Area Advisors for each of the dissertation areas will discuss course and curriculum requirements. **Please review your dissertation area section of the Guidebook prior to your meeting.** Attendance required.**

*Room numbers for Dissertation Area meetings:

Accounting – Professors Hans B. Christensen & Valeri Nikolaev – Room 4SE

Behavioral Science – Professors Jane Risen & Reid Hastie – Room 3A

Econometrics & Statistics – Professor Ruey Tsay – Room 455 (Professor Tsay's office)

Economics – Professor Eric Budish – **THIS MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE ON THURSDAY 9/6 AT 4:30 P.M. Please meet Professor Budish in Room 514 (Professor Budish's office).**

Finance – Professor Zhiguo He – Room 5SE

Marketing – Professor Oleg Urminsky – Room 3SW

MS/OM - Professor Baris Ata – **THIS MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE ON THURSDAY 9/6 AT 12 P.M. IN ROOM 5SE.**

2:00-5:00 p.m.
Room 3B

Math Camp: Calculus and Real Analysis Part I (taught by Ali Goli). **Attendance required.**

Wednesday, September 5

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Room 3B

Math Camp: Calculus and Real Analysis Part II (taught by Ali Goli). **Attendance required.**

1:30-2:00 p.m.
Room 3B

Administrative and Registration Information Session: Malaina Brown will explain the iBid registration system (the Booth course registration system) and you will learn how to register for non-Booth classes. Other administrative issues will also be covered. **Attendance required.**

2:00-3:00 p.m.
Various rooms (see below)*

Dissertation Support Area Meetings: Area Advisors will advise you on the courses needed to fulfill the curriculum requirements in your chosen support area. **Please select your Support Area and review the selected area section in the Guidebook prior to this meeting. Attendance required if your support area is listed below.**

*Room numbers for Support Area meetings:

Behavioral Science – Professor Jane Risen - Room 3A

Econometrics & Statistics – Professor Ruey Tsay - Room 455 (Professor Tsay's office)

Economics – Professor Eric Budish – Room 3B

MS/OM – Please speak to Amity if you plan to use MS/OM as your support area.

O&M – Please speak to Amity if you plan to use O&M as your support area.

3:00-3:30 p.m.
Room 3B

International Student Document Review (for Int'l Students who have attended school in US before): Instructions for filling out stipend payment documentation. Please bring your *signed* I-20 or DS-2019, a printout of your I-94 and your visa (or passport for Canadians). **Attendance required for international students who have attended school in the US before.**

3:30-5:00 p.m.
Room 3B

International Student Document Review (for Int'l Students who have NOT attended school in US before): Instructions for filling out stipend payment documentation. Please bring your *signed* I-20 or DS-2019, a printout of your I-94 and your visa (or passport for Canadians). **Attendance required for international students who have NOT attended school in the US before.**

Thursday, September 6

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Room 3B

Math Camp: Linear Algebra (taught by Jianfei Cao). **Attendance required.**

1:30-4:30 p.m.
Room 3B

Math Camp: Statistical Inference Part I (taught by Jianfei Cao) **Attendance required.**

Friday, September 7

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Room 3B

Math Camp: Statistical Inference Part II (taught by Jianfei Cao)
Attendance required.

12:15-1:15 p.m.
Room 3B

Current Student Panel: Current PhD students will offer information and advice (as well as take questions) on navigating your first year in the program. **Lunch provided. Attendance required.**

1:30-2:30 p.m.
McGiffert 3rd Floor

McGiffert Carrel Lottery: Meet Kim outside 3B. We'll walk over to the McGiffert PhD Study Space, where you'll enter your top choices for the carrel lottery. **Attendance required.**

3:15-6:00 p.m.
Meet at the PhD Office (Room 307)

Boat Tour: Discover Chicago's architectural heritage. This 75-minute boat tour travels through the heart of the city on the Chicago River and includes an in-depth architectural narration. **Meet at the PhD Office at 3:15 p.m. sharp.** The tour begins at 5:00 p.m. in downtown Chicago. We will ride the bus downtown together and we will have bus passes/boat tickets for the group. If you prefer to get to the boat tour on your own, please speak to Kim in advance to get directions. If you're meeting the group or already have a bus pass, please let Kim know in advance. **Optional.**

Monday, September 10

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Room 3B

Math Camp: Statistical Inference Part III (taught by Jianfei Cao)
Attendance required.

12:00 p.m.

Academic Progress Report/Five Year Plan Forms due to malaina.brown@chicagobooth.edu by email. (Fill these out based on the information covered in your dissertation area and support area sessions. Any questions can be sent to Malaina).

1:30-4:30 p.m.
Room 3B

Math Camp: Optimization Theory Part I (taught by Jianfei Cao).
Attendance required.

Tuesday, September 11

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Room 3B

Math Camp: Optimization Theory Part II (taught by Jianfei Cao).
Attendance required.

12:15 p.m.-1:30 p.m.
Room 219

Pichler Initiative Lunch with Professor Harry Davis: Join Professor Davis, PhD Program Faculty Director Jeff Russell, and additional faculty as they discuss how to succeed in the PhD Program. **Attendance required.**

11:59 p.m.

REGISTRATION BIDS DUE (Phase I Bidding)

Wednesday, September 12

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Room 3B

Math Camp: Probability Theory Part I (taught by Ali Goli).
Attendance required.

1:30-4:30 p.m.
Room 3B

Math Camp: Probability Theory Part II (taught by Ali Goli).
Attendance required.

Thursday, September 13

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Room 3B

Math Camp: Dynamic Programming Part I (taught by Ali Goli).
Attendance required.

12:30-1:00 p.m.
Room 3B

Information Technology Orientation: IT Services staff member Meridith Wells will provide Chicago Booth IT Services information. **Lunch provided. Attendance required.**

1:30-4:30 p.m.
Room 3B

Math Camp: Dynamic Programming Part II (taught by Ali Goli).
Attendance required.

Friday, September 14

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Room 3B

Econ Camp Lecture (taught by Professor Emir Kamenica).
Attendance required.

1:30-4:30 p.m.
Room 3B

Econ Camp TA Session/TA Office Hours (led by Mohammad Moravvej)

Monday, September 17

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Room 3B

Econ Camp Lecture (taught by Professor Emir Kamenica).
Attendance required.

1:30-4:30 p.m.
Room 3B

Econ Camp TA Session/TA Office Hours (led by Mohammad Moravvej)

Tuesday, September 18

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Room 3B

Econ Camp Lecture (taught by Professor Emir Kamenica).
Attendance required.

12:30 -1:30 p.m.
Room 3B

University of Chicago Library Resources & Services Overview: Regenstein Library's Business Reference Librarians will provide library information specifically for Booth PhD students. **Lunch Provided. Attendance required.**

2:00-5:00 p.m.
Room 3B

Econ Camp TA Session/TA Office Hours (led by Mohammad Moravvej)

Wednesday, September 19

NO PROGRAMMING

Thursday, September 20

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Room 3B

Econ Camp Lecture (taught by Professor Emir Kamenica).
Attendance required.

12:30-1:45 p.m.
Room 3B

Faculty Presentations on Current Research (lunch provided, attendance required): The following Booth faculty members will each give a short presentation on their current research:

Jacob Leshno, Assistant Professor of Economics
Sarah Moshary, Assistant Professor of Marketing

2:00-5:00 p.m.
Room 3B

Econ Camp TA Session/TA Office Hours (led by Mohammad Moravvej)

Friday, September 21

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Room 3B

Econ Camp Lecture (taught by Professor Emir Kamenica).
Attendance required.

1:30-4:30 p.m.
Room 3B

Econ Camp TA Session/TA Office Hours (led by Mohammad Moravvej)

4:30-6:00 p.m.
Room 219

Pizza Party with returning students: Pizza and beverages served. Spouses/partners/significant others and children welcome.

Monday, September 24

BOOTH CLASSES BEGIN

Tuesday, September 25

11:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Various Locations

University of Chicago Graduate Student Orientation
This event will include an information fair, lunch, a workshop and social events. For further information and to register, please visit <https://GRADstudentorientation2018.eventbrite.com>.
Optional – students are NOT excused from Booth classes to attend this event.

Monday, October 1

UNIVERSITY CLASSES BEGIN

Tuesday, October 2

4:30-6:00 p.m.
Summer Garden

Reception with Deans, Faculty and Students:
Socialize with Booth faculty and returning PhD students.
Spouses/partners/significant others invited.