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General syllabus for the doctoral programme in the subject of:

ECONOMICS AND BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

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Department to which the syllabus applies	Subject code
ECONOMICS AND BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION	NLEKON00

The goals and design of the programme may vary between departments (see 4. Miscellaneous)

Regulations for third-cycle (doctoral) education at SLU

These can be found in the [Guidelines for third-cycle \(doctoral\) education](#) (reg. no SLU ua Fe.2012.40-3218) and [Admission regulations for third-cycle \(doctoral\) education at SLU](#) (reg. no. SLU ua Fe.2012.4.4-3467). These governing documents lay out rules and recommendations for *entry requirements, recruitment and admission, joint programmes leading to a double or joint degree, scope and content of the programme, planning and follow-up of the programme, procedure when a course or study programme is unsatisfactory, examination and degrees.*

General study plans for subjects within the doctoral studies can provide additional, subject-specific rules in addition to these joint rules. This document specifies the subject-specific rules for the subject economics/business administration. In other respects the third-cycle studies in this subject shall adhere to the Guidelines for third-cycle education and the Admission regulations for third-cycle education at the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences.

1. Purpose and objectives

After completing the programme, the student should be familiar with the general tools of science as well as the research methods that are typical of the subject field economics and business administration. The purpose is to meet the qualitative

targets for third-cycle studies specified in the Higher Education Ordinance, Annex 2 – Qualifications ordinance.

2. Entry requirements

Those admitted shall meet the following specific entry requirements.

The specific entry requirements are normally knowledge corresponding to at least 90 credits in economics/business administration. The basics of statistics and mathematics are also recommended. Normally, a degree project of at least 30 credits in economics is also required.

3. Scope and content of the programme

The programme contains two main elements: research and coursework.

Research

While studying, the student shall conduct independent research which is presented in a doctoral thesis corresponding to at least 120 credits, or a licentiate thesis corresponding to at least 60 credits. The thesis may be submitted as a compilation thesis or as a monograph. Quality-wise, the thesis shall be of a quality where it is considered in its entirety or in summary to meet the requirements for being published in a high quality scientific journal.

Courses

The student is required to undertake coursework which corresponds to at least **90** credits for a Degree of Doctor, and at least **60** credits for a Degree of Licentiate. These studies shall include suitable general courses as well as individually selected subject courses.

4. Miscellaneous

Further information about third-cycle studies is available in SFS 2006:1053, and information about grants can be found in SFS 1995:938 as amended by 1998:81 (reprint), 1998:161 and 2006:1053. Information about third-cycle studies at SLU is available in the Admission regulations for third-cycle (doctoral) education (reg. no SLU ua 41-1482/07) with the annex to the Board's decision of 26 April 2007, reg. no SLU ua 41-1482/07, the Vice-Chancellor's decision and the guidelines for doctoral education at the Faculty of Natural Resources and Agricultural Science (reg. no SLU ua 40-1244/08). Each department to which the third-cycle subject area is linked can choose to specify requirements in addition to those in this study plan. These requirements are to be specified in an annex.

5. Annexes

There are no annexes.