



London School of Economics

# Department of Economic History

Joining us for your PhD

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# Research clusters

Demography, labour and living standards

Historical economic geography and long-run economic change

Pre-industrial economic history

Firms and finance

Global economic history

Narrative science

What is economic history?

# The PhD

3-4 years long

First year engage with specific courses:

- General: methodology, ethics, academic research

- Courses relevant to your own research

- Graduate Teaching Assistant course

Second year, and subsequent

- Teaching opportunities

Throughout

- Arrange and attend seminars and workshops

# Supervision

## Supervision team

- First supervisor takes prime responsibility

- Second supervisor, but can have wider influence from department

- DPD oversees

## School

- PhD Academy: regulations, requirements and support

# Support System

LSE Life Writing center at MHC

PhD Training Workshops Quantitative methodological training: R, STATA, GIS, Python. Qualitative Methodological trainings: ethnography, creating narrative.

PhD Academy provides 1-1 support on method training

EDEN Center: teach you how to teach. Earn Certificate in high education

# Assessment

First year review    specific research question

    Outline of research and a literature review

Main review (GRC)    end of second year

    one core chapter with original contribution

Final year    viva with examiners, job market

    3 Paper for Quantitative method, or a monograph  
manuscript for qualitative methods (100,000 words)



# Destinations

Academic

Economics, history and business departments worldwide

Public and private sector

List from last five years on website



# How to apply

Complete application through LSE graduate applications portal

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# Research proposal

Defines clear question and approach to answering it

Highlights originality and / or significance

Explains how it adds to existing literature in the field

Persuades others of importance of work and why you are the right person to do this research

3-4 pages in length



# Deadlines

Funding deadline for first round of PhD studentships and ESRC funding for 2023 entry:

13 January 2023

Second round of PhD admissions (few studentships available in this second round):

27 April 2023

Thank you!

Questions in chat