

PhD Course Requirements (*Fall 2025 onward*)

Course Requirement: 30 credits

1. Core Courses (21 credits)

Political Science Track Required Course

- TSED 700100 - Advanced Comparative Political Economy (3 credits)
- TSED 700200 - Advanced International Political Economy (3 credits)
- TSED 701100 - Institutions and Behavior (3 credits)
- TSED 701200 - Conflict and Peace (3 credits)
- TSED 702300 - Quantitative Methods II (3 credits)*
- TSED 701300 - Research Design in Social Inquiry (3 credits)
- TSED 700300 - Independent Research (3 credits) **

Economics Track Required Course

- TSED 700100 - Advanced Comparative Political Economy (3 credits)
- TSED 700200 - Advanced International Political Economy (3 credits)
- TSED 702100 - Advanced Microeconomic Analysis (3 credits)
- TSED 702200 - Advanced Macroeconomic Analysis (3 credits)
- TSED 702300 - Quantitative Methods II (3 credits)*
- TSED 702400 - Quantitative Methods III (3 credits)
- TSED 700300 - Independent Research (3 credits) **

*Prerequisite: Quantitative Method I (TSE505100). May be waived by passing a placement test or instructor review.

**Enrollment in this course requires passing the core knowledge exam.

2. Elective Courses (9 credits)

Eligible electives must be conducted in English and carry a course code beginning with TSE or TSED, with the course number 6 or above. Any exception requires the approval of the PhD Program Director. All course selections require advisor approval before the end of the add/drop period each semester.

3. Additional: Mandarin Courses (Required for international students)

Mandarin Courses (8 credits, not counted toward the 30 required credits)

For details, please refer to the "[Mandarin Course Requirements for NTHU International Students](#)."