COURSE CONTENT

Course Code N.A. **Course Code** HE4099

Course Title Graduation Project

Pre-requisites Nil
No of AUs 8
Contact Hours NA

Course Aims

The aim of GP is to train students to carry out independent research in economics. The project can be theoretical or empirical in nature. Students will select a topic, and with the guidance of a supervisor, develop a proposal that is mutually agreed between upon the supervisor and all group members.

After completing the FYP, students would have acquired basic experience in analytical reasoning, empirical research (especially the collection, organisation, interpretation, and analyses of data), and the written presentation of research findings.

Intended Learning Outcomes (ILO)

By the end of this course, you should be able to:

- 1. Identify research topics for theoretical / empirical research based on your own interests and literature review
- 2. Determine the appropriate research methodology
- 3. Collect, organize, interpret and analyse data systematically.
- 4. Present research findings in both oral and written forms

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The Graduation Project (GP), which is also called the Final Year Project (FYP) is undertaken during a student's final year and the student must fulfill the below requirements:

Single Major (ECON)

- 1) cGPA must be 3.90 & above
- 2) To qualify as a Year 4 student, you must complete at least 91 AUs by the end of the applying semester (assuming you have passed the applying semester's courses).
- 3) You must complete all year 1 & 2 Core Courses and at least 8 Major Prescribed Electives by the end of the applying semester (assuming you have passed the applying semester's courses).

Double Major (ECPP/ECPS/ECMA)

- 1) cGPA must be 3.90 & above
- 2) To qualify as a Year 4 student, you must complete at least 91 AUs by the end of the applying semester (assuming you have passed the applying semester's courses).

3) You must complete all year 1 & 2 Core Courses and at least 5 Major Prescribed Electives by the end of the applying semester (assuming you have passed the applying semester's courses).

Note:

- 1) Students with cGPA of 3.90 & above, must read GP to be eligible for *Honours (Distinction)* and *Honours (Highest Distinction)*.
- 2) Student will have to submit an undertaking form to declare that s/he would not be eligible for *Honours (Distinction)* and *Honours (Highest Distinction)* if s/he decides not to read GP though his/her cGPA is 3.9 & above.
- 3) Students with cGPA between 3.75 and 3.89 may opt-in to do the FYP. This is subject to the approval by the Program. Students with cGPA below 3.75 will not be allowed to conduct the FYP.
- 4) Students who are not eligible for GP must read two Level 4000 Major Prescribed Elective courses to fulfill the 8 AUs requirement.

GP is to be conducted over two consecutive semesters in NTU. The course runs for approximately 9 months and the milestones below acts as a guide for the progression of the FYP:

| Events | Timeline (Timeline given is subjected to change without prior notice) |
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| Open Application | Week 11 |
| Close Application | Result release week |
| Confirm Application | 2 weeks before the new semester |
| Submission Deadline for Final Report | Week 10 |
| E-Copy Submission Deadline to NTU Library | Week 14 |

Assessment (includes both continuous and summative assessment)

1. Final report : 100% **Total** : 100%

- 1. The Final report is a one-page write-up, including the following contents:
 - a. Title of the project,
 - b. Main objective of the study or research,
 - c. Methodology,
 - d. Planned schedule for project completion.
- 2. An executive summary (cap at 8 pages)

Note: The supervisor must approve the report & executive summary.

This assessment will assess and test your analytical, writing, research, methodological robustness, and organizational skills. You will be evaluated on the clarity of writing, originality, and critical thinking.

Reading and References

Not applicable.

Course Instructors

| Instructor | Office Location | Email |
|----------------|-----------------|-------|
| Not applicable | NA | NA |

Planned Weekly Schedule

Not applicable.