

## REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ASSET PRICING FIELD 2024-25

### COURSE REQUIREMENTS

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#### Fall 2024

221A Monetary Economics  
Professor Saki Bigio

#### Winter 2025

291A Asset Pricing

#### Spring 2025

The following courses approved for this field offered by Anderson are:

#### Fall 2024

MGMTPHD 237 Introduction to  
Financial Economics  
Professor Stavros Panageas

#### Winter 2025

MGMTPHD 239 Empirical Asset  
Pricing  
Professor Tyler Muir

#### Spring 2025

MGMTPHD 240 Theory of  
Corporate Finance  
Professor Barney Hartman-Glaser

MGMTPHD 238 MacroFinance  
Professor Valentin Haddad,  
tentative

### FIELD REQUIREMENTS

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- Students must pass three classes with a grade of B or higher.
- To enroll in any of the MGMTPHD course, please email Craig Jessen ([craig.jessen@anderson.ucla.edu](mailto:craig.jessen@anderson.ucla.edu))
- Students must take Econ 291A in Winter Quarter
- Students must take one empirical class (this year MGMTPHD 239)
- Every student must write a field paper by the end of the second year and receive a passing grade. The topic may be chosen from any one of the courses that make up the field.
- Students are required to attend the finance seminar at the Anderson School of Management each week.
- Students are required to attend the Macroeconomics Proseminar

### ADDITIONAL GUIDELINES

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- A class taken for another field cannot count simultaneously for the Asset Pricing field, or for the empirical requirement of the Asset Pricing field.
- Students must receive a passing grade in their field paper due July 31, 2025, to Chiara Paz by email ([chiara@econ.ucla.edu](mailto:chiara@econ.ucla.edu)) before advancing.
- At the end of the summer every student is expected to advance to candidacy (ATC) by presenting an oral defense of a thesis topic to a committee. That committee should consist of a main advisor, two additional faculty from the Economics Department and one external member from an outside department. Normally, a thesis topic for Asset Pricing will be built upon on the second-year paper. Students are

strongly recommended to choose a main advisor at the beginning of summer. That advisor will guide the student through the ATC process and help pick the other members of the committee.

### **ASSET PRICING FACULTY**

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