

PhD Economics Admitted Students Virtual Visit Day



Northwestern

Thursday, April 1, 2021

| Time (Central) | VIRTUAL VISIT DAY EXPERIENCE | |
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| 9:00am | Welcome - Marciano Siniscalchi, DGS | |
| 9:15am | Overview of Graduate Program and Q&A Lori Beaman & Giorgio Primiceri, Admissions Co-Chairs | |
| 10:45am | Graduate Student Panel and Q&A Current Graduate Students | |
| 12:00pm – 2:30pm | Faculty One-on-One Meetings (as assigned) | Admitted Student Meet Up (as faculty meeting schedule allows) |
| 2:30pm – 4:00pm | Field Group Meeting (self selected in meeting) | Admissions Co-Chair Meetings (as schedule allows) |
| 4:00pm | Women in Economics | |
| 4:15pm | Coffee Hour via Gather.Town | |



Questions? Concerns? Connection Trouble?

[https://economics.northwestern.edu/graduate/
prospective/visit/index-2021.html](https://economics.northwestern.edu/graduate/prospective/visit/index-2021.html)

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Welcome (virtually)



Kellogg Global Hub

Welcome



Marciano Siniscalchi
Professor
Director of Graduate Studies

Agenda

- Program Overview
- Funding Opportunities
- Placement Preparation
- Question & Answer



Typical Degree Progression

| YEAR | PROGRAM |
|--------|---|
| FIRST | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4-week math preparation course• 3 three-quarter sequences in Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, and Econometrics• Achieve candidacy by achieving a satisfactory GPA in each sequence (No Prelim!) |
| SECOND | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Field sequences• Economic history course & paper• Attend departmental research workshops• Start working on first paper for student seminar• If necessary, retake some first-year courses to improve GPA and achieve candidacy |

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| THIRD | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Audit other courses of interest• Present two papers in student seminar (Fall and Spring)• Dissertation prospectus (defense of proposal) (June/July/August) |
| FOURTH | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Work on thesis• Present 1-2 times in student lunch in field of choice• Participate in reading groups & advising groups• Meeting regularly with committee members |

Typical Degree Progression

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| FIFTH or SIXTH | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Continued work on thesis• Draft of job market paper by start of year• Present job market paper internally in fall• ASSA meetings and interviews• Job offer• Thesis defense (May)• Degree conferred in June (or in August or December)• Fame and fortune await |

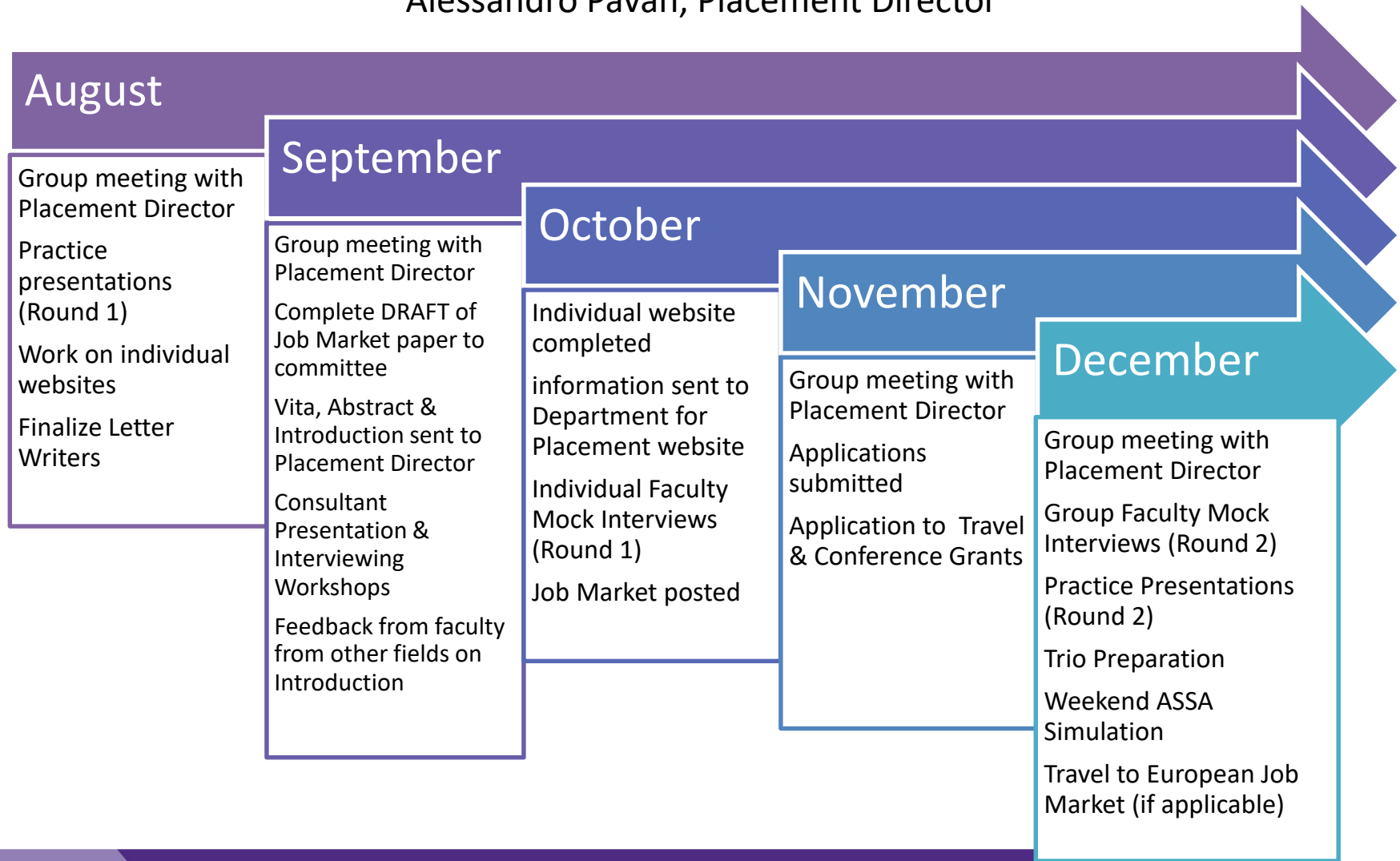
Academic Year Funding Trends

| YEAR | TYPICAL FUNDING SOURCE |
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| FIRST | University Fellowship or External Funding |
| SECOND | Teaching Assistantship or Research Assistantship |
| THIRD | Teaching Assistantship or Research Assistantship |
| FOURTH | Teaching Assistantship or Research Assistantship |
| FIFTH | University Fellowship or Teaching Assistantship or RAship |
| SIXTH | University Fellowship |

- Students in years 1 – 5 also receive a Fellowship for the Summer Quarter
- The Graduate School requires that all students complete ONE quarter of a Teaching Assistantship to graduate from Northwestern.

Job Market Preparation

Alessandro Pavan, Placement Director



Job Placement Outcomes - 2020 & 2021

<https://economics.northwestern.edu/graduate/prospective/placement.html>

| Academic | | Post Docs | Private | Government |
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| Fundacao Getulio Vargas, Rio de Janeiro | University of Edinburgh, Scotland | University of Tokyo | Compass Lexecon | Fed Board |
| Stockholm University, Sweden | Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro | Monsah University, Australia | Cornerstone Research | Bureau of Labor Statistics |
| National University of Singapore (Business School) | University of North Carolina, Wilmington | Rochester University | Facebook | Federal Trade Commission |
| University of Chicago | El Colegio de Mexico | Oxford University, England | Analysis Group | International Monetary Fund |
| Peking University, China | London School of Economics | Stanford University | Bates White | |
| University of Oregon | University of Mannheim | Toulouse School of Economics | Capital One | |
| University of Texas, Austin | Harvard University Business School | | Amazon | |
| | | | Uber | |
| University of California Berkeley | | | NERA | |

Admissions Co-Chairs Question & Answer



Please use the raise hand function in Zoom, found under “Participants.” Alternatively, you may also use the chat function to ask a question.