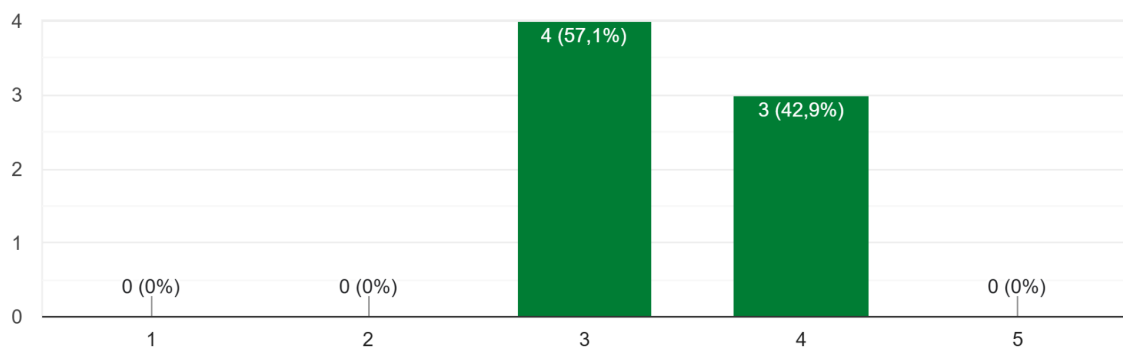
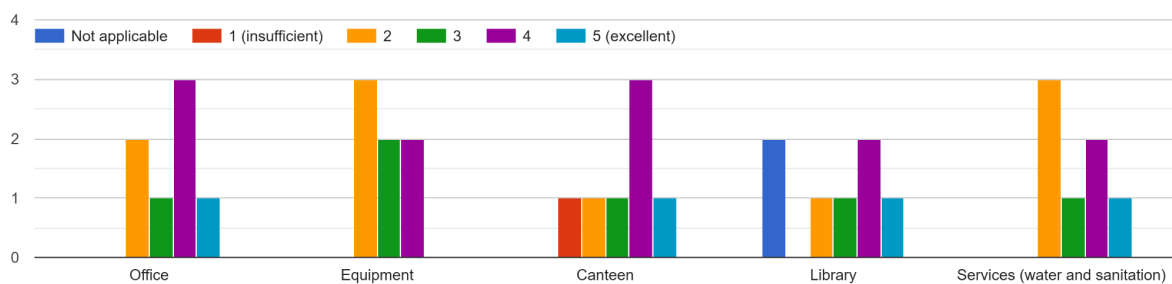


How would you rate the overall experience as a 2nd year PhD student?

7 respostas



Please rate the university infrastructures made available to you:



Do you have additional comments regarding the university infrastructures?

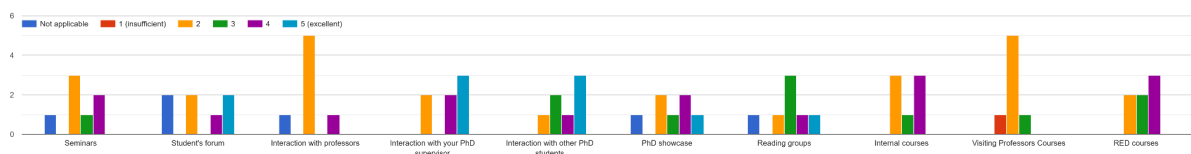
3 respostas

Fix blinders in all offices, better chairs, ac earlier

The offices are great, and I'm thankful for having it. Still, there's space for improvement such as small repairs we asked the logistics team to provide and is still being ignored. Also the pc's available are not many and about half of it is very old. Chairs could be of a better quality. Air conditioning is a minimum requirement in times of climate change, this week was impossible.

We would need a common room for PhD students

Please rate the PhD activities:



Do you have additional comments regarding the PhD activities?

4 respostas

Visiting courses could be tied to reading groups to make sure audience suffices and material is relevant

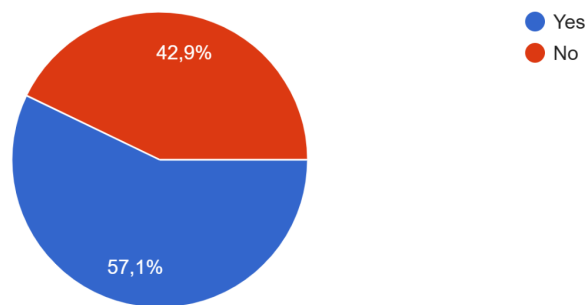
Interaction with professors is still considerably limited. The reading groups improve this condition, but is far from being close partnership between students and professors. This is caused by the consistent absence of professors in the department, the physical separation of floors and corridors and lack of a common space to be used daily. Another almost incomprehensible thing is the absence of research groups. Professors work isolated from each other (or collaborating with people outside of the department). It is not easy for any of us to join an ongoing research effort because of this silo standard.

Too many visiting professor courses

I believe there's too many activities. Greater focus and greater freedom of choice would help

Were the topics relevant for your interests?

7 respostas



If no, please explain.

4 respostas

Not all of them

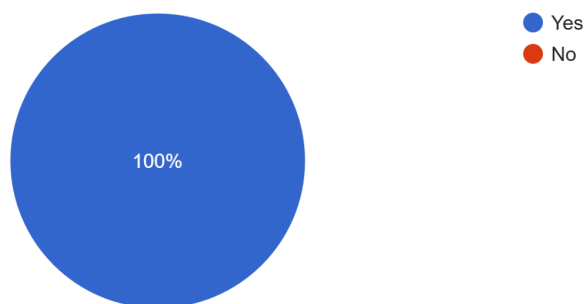
Not enough courses related to interests offered from Tor Vergata

They were in part, but on the other side they are the ones possible to be chosen and activated.

Only partially relevant. 2nd year courses should be only on the subject of interest, and made for strengthening tools (paper replication, etc.). General overviews are useless at this stage.

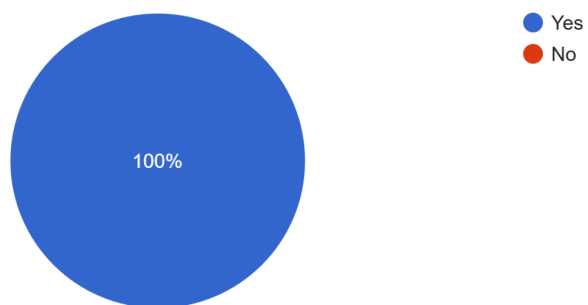
Was the number of hours devoted to each topic sufficient?

7 respostas



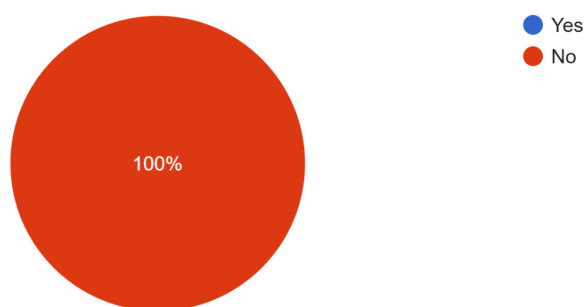
Were the courses balanced in terms of contents and duration?

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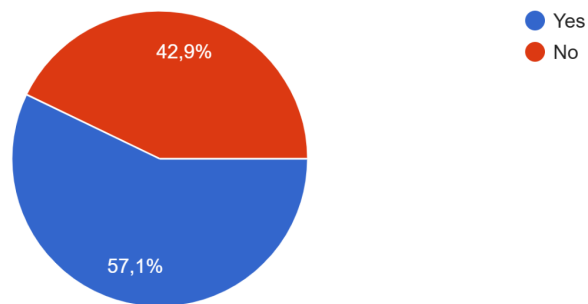
Did you find repetitions?

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Did you find missing topics?

7 respostas



If yes, please explain.

3 respostas

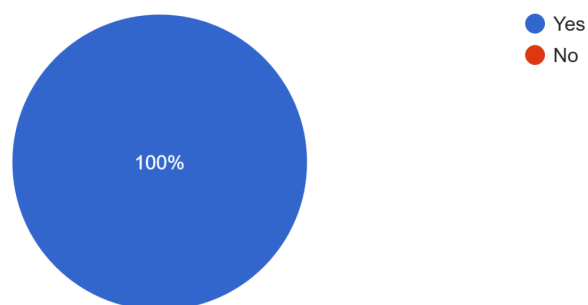
Industrial Organization, Dynamic Economics, Structural Estimation, Decision Theory, Public Choice

Missing topics not within course, but among courses available.

course on latent variable

Were the assignments (homework, presentations, case studies) useful and added value to the courses?

7 respostas



Please share your thoughts about the course schedule.

7 respostas

Current trajectory of customising courses for PhDs in the first year, and removing mandatory courses from the second year, is in the right direction.

I believe the change that will take place from the next year is an improvement already. I can't perceive the second year as a year that should be focused on taking classes. We need to be exposed to research not only from seminars and presentations, but to touch it in every occasion we have. Produce more research ideas, research projects, literature reviews. Study frontier papers in the classes.

no major comments

Too many

Personally, I think it would be a nice addition if the schedule and the visiting professors could be decided together with the students.

I support the reform to reduce the overall number of hours dedicated to the optional courses, to make it compatible and affordable to attend the visiting professors' courses

Additional comments regarding the whole year.

7 respostas

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Good overall. Research needs to become the center of focus from an earlier stage of the program, utilizing academic funds must become easier and less complicated, certain documents need to be provided also in English

Overall it was a good experience. The comments for improvement are the ones left on the specific comment boxes.

For the econometric courses (the one I had) the second year was quite interesting

Not enough time to do research. Going to seminars and visiting profs courses that do not work in your field is most of the time i) boring; ii) useless.

No other comments

Nothing else in particular to add.