

IU HESA QUALS  
**First Part Question Topics**  
**2022 – 2023 List**

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Advisors will narrow this list down for each student taking the qualifying exam. The advisor will pick between 4 and 6 topics, making sure that the topic is not closely related to the topic for the second question, which typically focuses on the student's dissertation research interests.

- Student loan debt
- The minoritized college student experience (narrow to a particular population)
- Faculty development
- Academic freedom and freedom of speech in academia
- Fundraising and philanthropy in higher education
- Recruitment and retention of faculty of color
- Co-curricular and out-of-class student learning (emphasis on strengths and limitations of a particular High Impact Practice)
- Internationalization of higher education
- performance-based funding in higher education
- Influence of COVID19 on teaching and learning
- legal and policy environment for higher education
- Role of Special Mission institutions in higher education
- Student activism in higher education (graduate or undergraduate)
- Contingent faculty