

ECONOMICS (ECON)

Graduate Degree Program
College: Behavioral and Social Sciences

Abstract

The Economics Program offers graduate study leading to the Doctor of Philosophy degree. During the course of study toward the Ph.D., doctoral students also have the opportunity to obtain a Master of Arts degree. Areas of specialization include: Advanced Macroeconomics, Advanced Microeconomics, Behavioral and Experimental Economics, Comparative Institutional Economics, Econometrics, Economic Development, Economic History, Environmental and Natural Resource Economics, Industrial Organization, International Finance and Macroeconomics, International Trade, Labor Economics, Political Economy, and Public Economics.

Financial Assistance

Due to the unusually large number of admitted Ph.D. students last spring who deferred entry into our program until Fall 2021, we may only be able to offer funding to a limited number of newly admitted students this year. Applicants should also be aware that we are an affirmative action department and that we are especially interested in recruiting strong African-American, Hispanic-American and Native American students to our Ph.D. program. As always, we will consider applications from students who have already secured an outside source of funding.

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Courses: ECON (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/courses/econ/>)

Admissions

General Requirements

- Statement of Purpose
- Transcript(s): Transcripts from all institutions attended after high school or secondary school whether or not a degree was received. Fall term transcripts need to be included for anyone still attending an institution.
- TOEFL/IELTS/PTE (international graduate students (<https://gradschool.umd.edu/admissions/english-language-proficiency-requirements/>))

Program-Specific Requirements

- Letters of Recommendation (3)
- Graduate Record Examination (GRE) is optional for Fall 2021

- CV/Resume
- Supplementary Application (<https://gradschool.umd.edu/sites/gradschool.umd.edu/files/uploads/admissionsforms/umdsupplementaryapplicationecon.pdf>)
- Description of Research/Work Experience (<https://gradschool.umd.edu/sites/gradschool.umd.edu/files/uploads/admissionsforms/umddescriptionofresearchworkexperienceecon.pdf>)

By the application deadline, applicants should have completed advanced undergraduate courses in microeconomics, macroeconomics, and econometrics. Applicants are also expected to have completed the equivalent of three semesters of calculus, a semester of linear algebra, and a semester of differential equations. The majority of admitted students have also completed course work in real analysis or other upper-level mathematics. For admission for Fall 2021, submitting the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) Aptitude test is optional. All of the Department's graduate students are full-time students.

For more admissions information or to apply to the program, please visit our Graduate School website: www.gradschool.umd.edu/admissions (<http://www.gradschool.umd.edu/admissions/>)

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Application Deadlines

Type of Applicant	Fall Deadline
Domestic Applicants	
US Citizens and Permanent Residents	15 Dec
International Applicants	
F (student) or J (exchange visitor) visas; A, E, G, H, I and L visas and immigrants	15 Dec

Other Deadlines: Please visit the program website at <https://www.econ.umd.edu/landing/Graduate> (<http://www.econ.umd.edu/landing/Graduate/>)

Requirements

- Economics, Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/economics-econ/economics-phd/>)
- Economics, Master of Arts (M.A.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/economics-econ/economics-ma/>)