Master of Arts in Economics
If you're looking for a career as a business or government economist, the University of Denver's master of arts in economics program offers excellent preparation.

Our MA program helps you build the solid skills and respected credentials that employers want. The degree also prepares students for doctoral studies, particularly if they want to explore alternative approaches and develop further insights about economics before entering doctoral programs.

Our department's strengths include

- Macroeconomics
- Economics of money, banking and finance
- Environmental economics
- Health economics
- International and development economics
- Alternative approaches to economics
- History of economic thought
- Econometrics
- Gender economics
- Economics of technology
- Urban economics

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Degree and GPA Requirements

- Bachelor's degree: All graduate applicants must hold an earned baccalaureate from a regionally accredited college or university or the recognized equivalent from an international institution.
- Grade point average: The minimum undergraduate GPA for admission consideration for graduate study at the University of Denver is a cumulative 2.5 on a 4.0 scale or a 2.5 on a 4.0 scale for the last 60 semester credits or 90 quarter credits (approximately two years of work) for the baccalaureate degree. An earned master's degree or higher from a regionally accredited institution supersedes the minimum standards for the baccalaureate. For applicants with graduate coursework but who have not earned a master's degree or higher, the GPA from the graduate work may be used to meet the requirement. The minimum GPA is a cumulative 3.0 on a 4.0 scale for all graduate coursework undertaken.
- Program GPA requirement: The minimum undergraduate GPA for admission consideration for this program is a cumulative 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.

Standardized Test Scores
- The Graduate Record Examination (GRE) is required. Scores must be received directly from the appropriate testing agency by the deadline. The institution code for the University of Denver is 4842.

English Language Proficiency Test Score Requirements
The minimum TOEFL/IELTS/CAE test score requirements for this degree program are:

- Minimum TOEFL Score (Internet-based test): 80
- Minimum TOEFL Score (Paper-based test): 550
- Minimum IELTS Score: 6.5
- Minimum CAE Score: 169

English Conditional Admission: In cases where minimum TOEFL/IELTS scores were not achieved or no English proficiency test was taken, the Economics program may offer English Conditional Admission (ECA) to academically qualified non-native English speakers.
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### Degree Requirements

#### Coursework Requirements

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**Electives**

Students choose 5 courses (ECON 3XXX).

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1. A grade will be assigned to the completed thesis ECON 4995 Thesis Research and that grade enters into the calculation of the minimum GPA as well.

**Minimum number of credits required for the degree: 45**

**Non-coursework Requirements**

- Topic development and defense
- Thesis research
- Oral defense - The student must defend a thesis in an oral exam and pass it, and then must complete whatever revisions the thesis committee suggests.

**Grade Requirements**

A student must earn a grade of B- or better in each of the required courses (where ECON 4993 only allows for pass/fail). The minimum grade for an individual elective course is C- but the minimum GPA is 3.0.