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

Our MA program is also geared toward your schedule — all of our required courses, and many of our electives, are conducted between 6:00 p.m. and 7:50 p.m. to accommodate students who work during the day. Other elective courses are typically offered between 4:00 p.m. and 5:50 p.m.

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Application Deadlines

- Fall 2017 Priority Deadline: February 15, 2017
- Fall 2017 Final Submission Deadline: September 15, 2017
- Fall 2017 Deadline for Applicants Educated Outside the U.S.: July 31, 2017
- Winter 2018 Final Submission Deadline: January 9, 2018
- Winter 2018 Deadline for Applicants Educated Outside the U.S.: November 20, 2017
- Spring 2018 Final Submission Deadline: March 30, 2018
- Spring 2018 Deadline for Applicants Educated Outside the U.S.: February 12, 2018
- Summer 2018 Final Submission Deadline: June 25, 2018
- Summer 2018 Deadline for Applicants Educated Outside the U.S.: May 7, 2018

Admission Requirements

- Online admission application
- $65.00 Application Fee
- University Minimum Degree and GPA Requirements
- GRE (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/admission-and-enrollment-policies/admission-process-and-standards-for-all-applicants/university-admission-criteria): 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.
- Letters of Recommendation: Three (3) letters of recommendation are required. Letters should be submitted by recommenders through the online application.
- Personal Statement: A personal statement of academic and professional goals of at least 300 words is required.
Additional Standards for Non-Native English Speakers

Official scores from the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), International English Language Testing System (IELTS) or Cambridge English: Advanced (CAE) are required of all graduate applicants, regardless of citizenship status, whose native language is not English or who have been educated in countries where English is not the native language. The minimum TOEFL/IELTS/CAE test score requirements for the degree program are:

- Minimum TOEFL Score (paper-based test): 550
- Minimum TOEFL Score (internet-based test): 80
- Minimum IELTS Score: 6.0
- Minimum CAE Score: 169
- English Conditional Admission Offered: In cases where minimum TOEFL/IELTS/CAE 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.

Read the English Language Proficiency (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/admission-and-enrollment-policies/additional-standards-for-non-native-english-speakers/english-language-proficiency-ielts-toefl) policy for more details.


Read the Required Tests for GTA Eligibility (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/admission-and-enrollment-policies/additional-standards-for-non-native-english-speakers/required-tests-for-gta-eligibility) policy for more details.

Additional Standards for International Applicants

Per Student & Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) regulation, international applicants must meet all standards for admission before an I-20 or DS-2019 is issued, [per U.S. Federal Register: 8 CFR § 214.3(k)] or is academically eligible for admission and is admitted [per 22 C.F.R. §62]. Read the Additional Standards For International Applicants (http://bulletin.du.edu/graduate/admission-and-enrollment-policies/additional-standards-for-international-applicants) policy for more details.

Financial Aid

There are many different options available to finance your education. Most University of Denver graduate students are granted some type of financial support. Our Office of Financial Aid is committed to helping you explore your options.

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Degree Requirements

Coursework Requirements

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Electives

Students choose 5 courses (ECON 3XXX).

Total Credits | 45

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.