



University of Missouri–St. Louis  
**The Graduate School**

**Master of Arts (MA) in Economics**

**Degree Program**

The MA in Economics requires 30 credit hours; at least 21 of these credit hours must be completed in residence. Candidates need not have an undergraduate degree in economics. However, students are expected to have taken intermediate micro- and macro-economics, mathematical economics, and introductory econometrics prior to the beginning of the core curriculum. Students that do not have these courses will take these courses first; credits earned in these courses do not count towards the 30 hours required for the MA. The curriculum includes 9 credit hours of requirements: Microeconomic Analysis (5001), Macroeconomic Analysis (5002), and Econometric Theory and Methods (5100). The remaining 21 credit hours are electives; up to 9 of these elective credit hours (subject to Graduate Director approval) may be taken in related disciplines outside of economics (e.g., Business or Mathematics).

**Program Website**

<http://www.umsl.edu/divisions/artscience/economics/student/grad.html>

**Application Requirements:**

**1. Application**

<http://www.umsl.edu/divisions/graduate/future/how-to-apply.html>

**2. Two letters of Recommendation**

Letters that address academic potential must be provided by individuals who can accurately assess it such as previous instructors, professors, etc.

**3. Official transcripts from all universities attended**

Successful applicants must have completed a baccalaureate degree before beginning the master's program.

**4. Entrance examinations**

a. The Graduate Record Examination General Test is required (see <http://www.gre.org/ttindex.html>).

b. International students are required to document English proficiency by providing scores from an internationally accepted standardized examination before a decision is made on admission.

**5. Grade Point Average**

Minimum of 3.00 on 4.0 scale.

**Application Deadline (for domestic students)**

Fall semester, July 1

Winter/spring admission, December 1

Applications are processed as they are submitted. However, applications that are not received by the posted date may delay admission until the following semester.

**Application Fee**

\$35 (\$40 for international applicants)

**Graduate Program Director**

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