

## Master of Arts (MA) 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)
  - 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).

### Emphasis Areas & Program Website

<http://www.umsi.edu/econ/>

- General
- Business Economics

### Application Requirements:

1. Application
  - a. <http://umsi.edu/go/Apply-Now>
2. Two letters of Recommendation
  - a. 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
  - a. 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
  - a. Minimum of 3.00 on 4.0 scale.

### Application Deadline (for domestic applicants)

**Fall semester:** July 1

**Spring Semester:** December 1

**Summer Semester:** May 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 Deadline (for international applicants)

**Fall semester:** May 1

**Spring Semester:** October 1

### Application Fee

\$50 for domestic applicants; \$40 for international applicants

### Graduate Program Director

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