Learning Outcomes

Department of Economics, UMSL

Masters Degree

Competencies/Expectations/Outcomes that all students must demonstrate to complete the program successfully:

- 1. Interpret and analyze economic models and assess their validity.
- 2. Use theoretical and empirical tools to design effective business and government policies.
- 3. Use econometric methods to interpret and analyze economic data to assess the empirical validity of economic propositions, evaluate business and government policies, and to forecast economic variables.
- 4. Develop at least one topic area of expertise through familiarity with the relevant scholarly and professional literatures, policy issues, institutions, and current data trends.
- 5. Develop at least one methodological area of expertise through the acquisition of the theoretical and empirical tools needed to understand scholarly and professional contributions to the literature to facilitate lifelong professional development and refinement of expertise.
- 6. Write a professional quality research paper.
- 7. Develop sufficient proficiency in the use of theoretical and empirical tools and in understanding of economic institutions to excel in a Ph.D. program.



