

M.A. IN ECONOMICS WITH AN APPLIED ECONOMETRICS SPECIALIZATION

The master's program with an applied econometrics specialization is designed to afford interested, well-qualified candidates for the master's in economics an opportunity to study econometrics on a more intensive and applied basis. The applied econometrics specialization would enable candidates to develop applied econometric skills through hands-on research.

The specialization in applied econometrics is an option in the M.A. program in economics. Students who elect the specialization option will normally need two full years of study to complete the program. In the first year, an M.A. candidate in the specialization will complete the regular M.A. core requirements, an additional econometric course (ECON 5820), and field/related course work. Further, the M.A. candidate is required to pass a written comprehensive examination in econometrics, as well as the usual written comprehensive examinations required of all students. In the second year of the program, the candidate will enroll in a sequence of two applied econometrics seminars (ECON 6810 and ECON 6820) and engage in thesis work.

EARLY ADMISSION TO MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAM IN ECONOMICS

A special opportunity exists for undergraduate students at the University of Toledo interested in pursuing a Master's of Arts Degree in Economics. Being evaluated by the same criteria as graduate students, undergraduate students have the opportunity to apply advanced-level work to their undergraduate degree requirements while, at the same time, securing a significant "head start" toward satisfying the requirements for a master's degree in Economics. Qualifying undergraduate students are allowed to apply particular courses (and associated credit hours) towards **both** their undergraduate and graduate degree requirements.

If accepted into this program undergraduate students may register for up to 2 graduate-level Economics courses (8 credit hours). Because the M.A. degree in Economics requires 30 credit hours of graduate-level work, students who complete 8 of those hours as an undergraduate student have to complete only 22 additional credit hours as a graduate student to receive their master's degree.

Undergraduate students with a declared major or minor in Economics and a cumulative GPA in Economics courses of 3.3 or higher are eligible for this program. Students accepted into this program must consult and receive prior approval from the Department of Economics' graduate director as to which courses at the University of Toledo may be applied for dual credit toward both undergraduate and graduate degree requirements. Students interested in this program are encouraged to speak with the Department of Economics' Chair, graduate director, or undergraduate advisor for additional information and the application form for this program.

1. **Completion of the M.A. in Economics requirements**
2. **Internships**

The department offers a public service internship, requiring seven credit hours of internship. In addition, the intern is allowed to include up to three credit hours of either ECON 6900 or ECON 6990 toward the 30 credit hours required for a Master of Arts degree.