

ECONOMICS - M.A.E.

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Description

The Master of Arts in Economics degree provides excellent preparation for a career as an analyst in government or the private sector, and for doctoral study.

The Economics major comprises the following concentrations:

- The **Economic Analysis** concentration has a distinct advantage for students in its focus on the development of strong analytical and quantitative skills. Students are well-trained in the application of economic theory and methods of statistical analysis.
- The **Financial Economics** concentration is primarily designed for students who wish to pursue careers in the financial services industry, including commercial banking, investment banking, insurance, real estate and financial advising.

Fully Offered At:

- Kent Campus

Accreditation

AACSB International - The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business

Admission Requirements

- Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university for unconditional admission
- Minimum 3.000 undergraduate GPA on a 4.000 point scale for unconditional admission
- Official transcript(s)
- GMAT or GRE scores¹
- Goal statement
- Resume
- Three letters of recommendation
- English language proficiency - all international students must provide proof of English language proficiency (unless they meet specific exceptions) by earning one of the following:
 - Minimum 550 TOEFL PBT score (paper-based version)
 - Minimum 79 TOEFL IBT score² (internet-based version)
 - Minimum 77 MELAB score
 - Minimum 6.5 IELTS score
 - Minimum 58 PTE score

For more information about graduate admissions, please visit the Graduate Studies admission website. For more information on

international admission, visit the Office of Global Education's admission website.

- ¹ Effective Spring 2020, the GMAT/GRE requirement will be waived for applicants who graduated with the Kent State undergraduate Economics major or minor or the Data Analytics minor within the past five years.
- ² Effective spring 2020, the minimum TOEFL IBT score will be 80.

Program Learning Outcomes

Graduates of this program will be able to:

1. Understand and apply fundamental economic concepts.
2. Formulate and test hypotheses.
3. Access and use appropriate information.
4. Demonstrate analytic and quantitative skills.

Program Requirements

Major Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Major Requirements		
ECON 62050	MICROECONOMIC THEORY I	3
ECON 62051	MACROECONOMIC THEORY I	3
ECON 62054	ECONOMETRICS I	3
ECON 62056	TIME SERIES ANALYSIS	3
Concentrations		
Choose from the following:		18
Economic Analysis		
Financial Economics		
Minimum Total Credit Hours:		30

Economic Analysis Concentration Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Concentration Requirements		
ECON 52050	DATA ACQUISITION, PREPARATION AND VISUALIZATION	3
ECON 62055	ECONOMETRICS II	3
ECON 62072	ECONOMICS OF LABOR MARKETS ¹	3
or ECON 62180	REGIONAL ECONOMICS	
ECON 64004	QUANTITATIVE METHODS IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION I	3
Internship, Thesis or Electives, choose from the following:		6
ECON 62092	INTERNSHIP IN ECONOMICS ²	
ECON 62199	THESIS I	
Approved Electives ³		
Minimum Total Credit Hours:		18

- ¹ Students may be allowed to substitute an equivalent course with department approval.
- ² Students selecting the internship must also complete an additional Economics (ECON) elective for total 6 credit hours.

³ Students may select any graduate-level Economics (ECON) courses subject to these restrictions: (1) all choices must have the approval of the graduate coordinator; and (2) maximum 3 credit hours may be at the 50000 level.

Financial Economics Concentration Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Concentration Requirements		
FIN 66066	ADVANCED SECURITY AND INVESTMENT THEORY	3
FIN 66080	DERIVATIVES I	3
FIN 66084	FINANCIAL ENGINEERING	3
FIN 66085	FIXED INCOME MARKETS	3
Concentration Electives or Internship, choose from the following:		6
ECON 62092	INTERNSHIP IN ECONOMICS	
Economics (ECON) Electives ¹		
Finance (FIN) Electives ¹		
Minimum Total Credit Hours:		18

¹ Students may select any graduate-level Economics (ECON) or Finance (FIN) courses subject to these restrictions: (1) all choices must have the approval of the graduate coordinator; (2) maximum 6 credit hours at the 50000 level.

Graduation Requirements

- Students entering the program will be expected to have completed undergraduate courses in intermediate microeconomic and macroeconomic theory, differential calculus and statistics. Any deficiencies must be made up before the start of the program. These background courses do not count toward the 30 credit hours required for the M.A.E. degree.
- Students may also select, with departmental approval, a limited number of courses outside the Department of Economics.