BUSINESS/MANAGERIAL ECONOMICS, MASTER OF ARTS (M.A.)

The areas of study available in the Mathematics & Economics Department lead to the Master of Science in or Mathematics and Master of Arts in Economics. The MS degree program in Mathematics now has two (2) general concentrations: Mathematics and Mathematics Education. In the Mathematics Concentration, there are two (2) specialties: Pure Mathematics and Applied Mathematics. In the Mathematics Education Concentration, there are also two (2) specialties: Curriculum and Instruction for Secondary Teachers and Curriculum and Instruction for K-8 Mathematics Specialists.

Economics

The Department of Mathematics and Economics offers graduate study in economics leading to the Master of Arts (M.A) degree. The program provides for the thesis and non-thesis options. Both program options provide analytical and decision-making tools appropriate for a broad range of professional careers in government, private sector, international organizations, academic and research institutions and other related fields. A core course in microeconomics, macroeconomics, quantitative methods and research methodology provide students with the foundation necessary for making rational decisions in various circumstances and environments. These knowledge and skills are further developed and consolidated in a variety of elective courses appropriate for theoretical and applied areas.

Admission Requirements:

In addition to the requirements for admission to the Graduate School, applicants must have an undergraduate degree in economics or an undergraduate degree in a related field with at least 18 semester hours of college economics, or a certificate in project management. The Master of Art Degree in Economics has three concentrations: Applied Economics, Public Administration, and Project Management.

Program Requirements:

In order to qualify for a Master of Art Degree in Economics a minimum of 30 semester hours is economics or related disciplines are required. The graduate college policy regarding transfer of credits will be applied.

Public Administration:

For students who wish to concentrate in public administration, in addition to the core courses, they must choose six electives for non-thesis option, and four electives for thesis option.

Project Management:

For students who completed the project management certificate and would like to complete the M.A. in Economics, in addition to the core courses in Economics, they must complete two additional electives in Economics for non-thesis option. For students who have not completed the project management program, in addition to the core courses in Economics, they must choose four PMGT electives and two Econ electives for non-thesis option, and four PMGT electives for thesis option.

| Code | Title | Credit Hours |
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| Core Requirements (15-18 credit hours) | | |
| ECON 510 | Advanced Microeconomics | 3 |
| ECON 513 | Managerial Economics | 3 |
| ECON 520 | Advanced Macroeconomics | 3 |
| ECON 530 | Quantitative Methods | 3 |
| ECON 590 | Research Methodology | 3 |
| Thesis Option - students must take the following course: | | 3 |
| ECON 599 | Thesis | |
| Non-thesis Option - students must take the following course: 0 | | |
| ECON 598 | Comprehensive Examination | |
| Restricted Electives ** | | 12 |
| | | 15 |
| ECON 500 | Graduate Principles of Econ | |
| ECON 521 | Monetary Economics | |
| ECON 523 | Public Finance | |
| ECON 524 | Public Administration Theory | |
| ECON 525 | Personnel Administration | |
| ECON 526 | Public Policy Process Evaluati | |
| ECON 538 | Financial Economics | |
| ECON 550 | Development Economics | |
| ECON 551 | International Economics | |
| ECON 570 | History Of Economic Thought | |
| ECON 585 | Internship Public Administrati | |
| PMGT 509 | Project Management Systems | |
| PMGT 511 | Quality Management | |
| PMGT 519 | Project Planning & Scheduling | |
| PMGT 520 | Project Communications | |
| PMGT 521 | Estimating & Cost Mgmt | |
| PMGT 525 | Contract & Procurement Mgmt | |
| PMGT 527 | Project Leadership & Hum Relat | |
| PMGT 532 | Risk Mgmt and Analysis | |
| Total Credit Hours | | 30-33 |

** Students completing the Thesis are required to take 12 credit hours of Restricted Electives. Students who complete the Comprehensive Exam are required to take 15 credits of Restricted Electives.

Thesis Option:

In addition to the core courses, students must complete four electives in the selected concentration, and complete two semesters of Econ 599 research and thesis.

Non-Thesis Option:

In addition to the core courses, students must complete two electives in economics and four elective courses in the selected concentration, and pass Econ 598- Comprehensive examination.

Economics:

For students who wish to concentrate in applied economics, in addition to the core courses, they must choose six electives for non-thesis option, and four electives for thesis option from the courses listed below.