

MA in Economics

Degree Requirements

To fulfill requirements for the MA degree, a candidate must complete a 30-hour approved program of study. This includes 18 credit hours of core courses:

ECONOM 7370 or ECONOM 8370	Quantitative Economics Mathematics for Economics	3
ECONOM 7371 or ECONOM 8472	Introductory Econometrics Econometric Methods I	3
ECONOM 8451	Microeconomic Theory ¹	3
ECONOM 8453	Macroeconomic Theory ¹	3
ECONOM 8473	Applied Econometrics ¹	3
ECONOM 8413	Research Workshop I	3

¹ ECONOM 9451 may be substituted for ECONOM 8451, ECONOM 9453 may be substituted for ECONOM 8453, ECONOM 9472 may be substituted for ECONOM 8473, and enrollment in 9000-level courses may require consent of the department and/or the instructor.

PhD Track

Students can also earn an MA while working toward a PhD by passing the comprehensive examination.

Admissions

Applicants are required to meet two sets of minimum qualifications for admission: the requirements of the MA in the Economics program (<https://gradschool.missouri.edu/degree-programs/>) and the minimum requirements of the Graduate School (<https://gradschool.missouri.edu/admissions/eligibility-process/>). Because requirements vary, you *must* refer to a degree program's graduate admission page to learn about specific admission criteria, application deadlines, eligibility and application process. Before official admissions to the University of Missouri, your application materials will be reviewed by both the Graduate School and the degree program to which you've applied.

Admission Criteria

Fall deadline: Open
 Spring deadline: Open
 Summer deadline: Open

Bachelor's degree in any field

Minimum GRE scores: Quantitative = 155 (not required for the online program)

Minimum TOEFL scores:

Internet-based test (iBT)	Paper-based test (PBT)
80	550

Minimum Academic IELTS scores:

Item	Score
Overall score	6.5

Students with a bachelor's degree in any field may apply for admission into the master's program. Applicants are admitted on the basis of

an undergraduate record, with particular emphasis on performance in economics, mathematics, and statistics courses, performance on the GRE, and letters of recommendation. Although the graduate program assumes mathematical background through calculus, as well as undergraduate economics training, applicants with more limited backgrounds may be accepted into the program. Such individuals will be assigned supporting course work, some or all of which may be counted toward fulfilling requirements.

Required Application Materials

To be uploaded to the MU Online Graduate Application for Admission:

- Your transcript from every college or university you have attended
- Your résumé
- Your personal statement
- Two letters of recommendation
- A copy of your official TOEFL or IELTS score. Your official TOEFL or IELTS scores (sent directly from the Educational Testing Service) must be submitted directly to the Graduate Admission Office (210 Jesse Hall, Columbia, MO 65211) * International Applicants only.
- Your official GRE scores (sent directly from the Educational Testing Service)