ECONOMICS MASTERS

Degree Requirements
The following requirements are in addition to, or further elaborate upon, those requirements outlined in The Graduate School Policy Guide (https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/tgs/academic-policies-procedures).

Master's
The department does not normally admit students for a terminal MA degree.

Economics and Financial Economics PhD Students
Doctoral students in the Economics and Financial Economics PhD programs who complete ECON 410-1 Microeconomics, ECON 410-2 Macroeconomics, ECON 411-2 Macroeconomics, ECON 411-3 Macroeconomics, and Econometrics ECON 480-1 Econometrics, ECON 480-2 Econometrics and ECON 480-3 Econometrics with a Grade Point Average of 3.0 and achieve an "MA Pass" on the written qualifying examinations are eligible to receive the MA degree.

Students in Other PhD Programs
The following requirements apply to students who are enrolled in other doctoral programs and to Economics and Financial Economics doctoral students not completing the first-year sequences.

Total Units Required: 9

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Economic History or Development

One of those listed below

- ECON 315-0 Topics in Economic History
- ECON 323-1 Economic History of the United States Before 1865
- ECON 323-2 Economic History of the United States 1865 to Present
- ECON 324-0 Western Economic History
- ECON 325-0 Economic Growth & Development
- ECON 326-0 The Economics of Developing Countries
- ECON 327-0 Economic Development in Africa
- ECON 420-1 American Economic History
- ECON 420-2 American Economic History
- ECON 420-3 European Economic History

Electives

Two additional approved Economics (300- or 400-level) courses. Can include one unit of ECON 499-0 for students writing an independent thesis.

Other MA Degree Requirements
- Examinations: final oral examination
- Research/Projects: none specified
- Master's Thesis: A thesis, either an independent one for the MA or one for honors in Economics or Math Methods in the Social Sciences (https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/mathematical-methods-social-sciences/mmss-adjunct-major) that is administered through those programs under an Economics advisor. The thesis must be an original piece of economic research of journal-article length. The thesis must be submitted no later than four weeks before the end of the student’s final quarter and found acceptable by two graduate faculty readers. A final oral examination on the thesis is conducted by the faculty readers. Students writing an independent thesis must enroll in ECON 499-0 Independent Study for the quarter in which the thesis is submitted. Students writing a suitable thesis for honors in their undergraduate degree must register for an additional graduate-level (300 or 400-level) economics course that is selected in consultation with, and approved by, the Director of Undergraduate Studies.

Students in the BA/MA in Economics Program
The following requirements are in addition to the requirements to obtain a BA in Economics (https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/economics/economics-major). Students must have completed ECON 381-1 Econometrics and ECON 381-2 Econometrics as part of their BA degree.

Total Units Required: 9 including ECON 401

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