



## MASTER OF ARTS IN ECONOMICS

### The Department of Economics

The Department of Economics features both undergraduate and graduate programs of instruction. All programs permit students to obtain in-depth training in economic theory and quantitative methods as well as opportunities to take courses in a wide range of areas of specialization designed to prepare students for careers as professional economists.

### The Master of Arts in Economics Program

The Master of Arts in Economics is a flexible degree that can meet a wide range of student needs. It provides for the thesis and non-thesis options. Both program options afford analytical and decision-making tools appropriate for a broad range of professional careers. A core curriculum in microeconomic theory, macroeconomic theory, and quantitative methods provide students with the foundation necessary to make sound decisions in different environments. These principles are further developed and reinforced in a variety of major and elective courses appropriate for many applied areas. The department welcomes both full and part-time students.

### Career opportunities

The Master of Arts in Economics program is an effective way to prepare for several types of careers including the academe, industry, business and financial institutions of all sizes, non-profit organizations, national, regional, and local government employment and research. Students interested in pursuing a Ph.D. in economics and related fields also benefit from the MA in Economics program.

### Admission Requirements

#### A. General Requirements

1. Applicants must pass the Graduate School entrance exam.
2. Graduates who hold a bachelor's degree from a college or university of good standing are eligible for admission to studies leading to the Master's degree.
3. For admission to the Master in Economics program, graduate students must possess a Bachelor's degree with Economics as a major or at least 12 units of economic courses including Microeconomics and Macroeconomics as required courses.
4. Full details about the program and inquiries regarding admission may be directed to the Department Chair or the Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences.

#### B. Credentials

Applicants for admission into the Graduate School must present upon registration the following credentials:

1. Honorable Dismissal from school last attended
2. Transcripts of Records
3. Special Order from CHED
4. Permit to Study (for government employees)
5. Foreign students must see the University Registrar for required documents for their enrolment

### Program Requirements

Students enrolled in the Thesis Option must undertake the 30 units of coursework and pass the comprehensive examination before enrolling in Thesis. The program culminates with the presentation and oral defense of the Thesis approved by the Thesis Adviser, the Economics Department and the Graduate School.

The non-thesis option requires students to undertake the 36 units of coursework and pass the comprehensive examination. Students must also produce a piece of original research, termed the Special Problem. The paper must be acceptable for presentation in a graduate forum and Graduate Journal publication. Students conduct the research project under the guidance of a member of the economics graduate faculty.

### COURSE OFFERINGS

#### Pre-requisites for Non-Economics Majors

No.	Descriptive Title	Units
Econ 65	Microeconomics	3
Econ 70	Macroeconomics	3
Econ 53	Calculus	3
Econ 11	Elementary Statistics	3

#### Core Courses (15 units)

No.	Descriptive Title	Units
Econ 301	Intermediate Microeconomics	3
Econ 302	Intermediate Macroeconomics	3
Econ 303	Mathematical Economics	3
Econ 304	Econometrics	3
Econ 114	Research Methods in Social Science	3

#### Major Courses (9 units)

No.	Descriptive Title	Units
Econ 311	Public Economics	3
Econ 312	Monetary Theory and Policy	3
Econ 313	Development Economics	3

#### Elective Courses

#### Thesis Option (6 units)

#### Non-Thesis Option (12 units)

No.	Descriptive Title	Units
Econ 321	Agricultural Economics	3
Econ 322	Contemporary Economic Issues	3
Econ 323	Environmental Economics	3
Econ 324	Financial Economics	3
Econ 325	History of Economic Thought	3
Econ 326	Industrial Economics	3
Econ 327	International Economics	3
Econ 328	International Political Economy	3
Econ 329	Labor Economics	3
Econ 330	Managerial Economics	3
Econ 331	Survey of Economic Analysis	3
Econ 332	Urban and Regional Economics	3

#### Thesis (6 units)

No.	Descriptive Title	Units
Thesis 1	Thesis Proposal	3
Thesis 2	Thesis	3

#### Non-Thesis : Special Problem (3 units)

Special Problem	3
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### SUMMARY

#### Thesis Option

Core Courses	: 15 units
Major Courses	: 9 units
Electives	: 6 units
Thesis	: 6 units
Total	: 36 units

#### Non-Thesis Option

Core Courses	: 15 units
Major Courses	: 9 units
Electives	: 12 units
Special Problem	: 3 units
Total	: 39 units