Master of Science in Economics (No Thesis, No Final Exam Option)

**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:**
- Completion of a 4-year bachelor degree from an accredited university
- GRE scores in the 50th percentile or higher (official test scores must be received before the application deadline)
- Minimum TOEFL score of 80-101 or GRE Verbal score of 146 (international applicants only)

**APPLICATION DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:**
- Application
- Statement of Purpose
- Resume
- 3 Letters of Recommendation
- Official Transcript(s)
- English Proficiency Scores (International Applicants Only)

**PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:**
- Minimum GPA of 3.0 is required on the student’s transcript and degree plan for graduation
- Completion of master’s degree courses with grades of B or better
- Minimum credit hours: 36 (24 credits must be from ECON/ECMT courses)
- Successful completion of the Capstone project
- Must have an updated degree plan on file

Application deadline: February 1 (Fall admission only), or December 31 (for domestic applicants fellowship consideration)
All application materials must be received by deadline to be considered.

1. **ECONOMICS CORE COURSES:** Must complete all four core courses and ECON 675 Capstone (Fall of 2nd year)

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2. **ECONOMICS/ECOMETRICS/OTHER ELECTIVES:** The program provides rigorous training in economics, econometrics, analytical and qualitative skills and offers flexibility with electives.

   Students work with the program manager and director to form thirty-six hours of course work. **Substitutions allowed upon approval if course offerings are not available.** PhD courses are available by approval of Professor only.

   **2a. ECON/ECMT Elective Concentration Courses (choose a minimum of 3 ECON/ECMT concentration courses)**
   - ECON 612 Money, Banking, and Financial Markets (Fall)
   - ECON 614 Economics of Microfinance (Spring)
   - ECON 617 Economics of the Multinational Firm (Spring)
   - ECON 618 Behavioral Financial Economics (Fall)
   - ECON 633 Energy Markets and Policy (Fall)
   - ECON 663 International Transfer Pricing (Fall, Spring)
   - ECON 668 Decisions Under Risk and Uncertainty (F or S)
   - ECON 680 Financial Economics (Fall)
   - ECON 685 Directed Studies (Fall or Spring)

   **2b. Elective Courses (examples; choose max. 4 courses)**
   - ECON 629 Financial Management I
   - ECMT 660 Mathematical Economics* (Fall)
   - ECMT 670 Econometric Analysis of Financial Data (Fall)
   - ECMT 680 Financial Econometrics (Spring)
   - ECMT 666 Advanced Economics of Finance
   - ECMT 669 Financial Economics
   - ECMT 671 Business Economics
   - ECMT 672 Investment Analysis
   - ECMT 673 Corporate Finance
   - ECMT 674 Economic Forecasting

   *A student may select up to 2 undergraduate 300- or 400-level undergraduate courses. **Credit will go towards elective courses; excluded from ECON/ECMT elective courses.**

3. **INTERNSHIP ELECTIVE:** A student may enroll for an internship course upon approval from the program manager in the Summer of their first year or the Spring of their second year.

   International students are allowed to participate in an internship course the Spring semester of their second year only in the United States. Summer internships can be in or out of the U.S.

   **Internship Course (credit will go towards elective course; excluded from ECON/ECMT elective concentration courses)**
   - ECON 684 Professional Internship (Summer of 1st year or Spring of 2nd year)

**THESIS OR RESEARCH HOURS:** Students have the option to complete their program of study by conducting research, writing a thesis and passing a final examination, or oral defense. The thesis option requires completion of 32 hours of approved course work with at least a 3.0 grade point average.

**Thesis Option**
- ECON 685 Directed Studies (up to 8 credit hours, but not more than 12 hours in combination with ECON 691)
- ECON 691 Research (up to 8 credit hours, but not more than 12 hours in combination with ECON 685)

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