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MSc in Applied Economics (One Year Full Time)

This course provides high quality training in economics with a focus on applications to real world problems. The course is ideal preparation for a career as a professional economist working on applying economics to policy issues or business situations. In addition to studying core modules in microeconomics, macroeconomics and econometrics, students can pick from a wide range of field modules. Students also have the option of completing a two-term specialisation in one of Behavioural Economics, Law and Economics of Competition, Environmental and Energy Economics or Development Economics.

In the summer term, students do either a supervised research thesis or an internship. Students can switch after the first term to our MSc in Quantitative Economics, which focuses on applying advanced mathematical and statistical methods to economics.

This programme features small group teaching from leading economists and a supportive environment. Masters students are an integral part of our School community, attending research seminars and receiving a wide range of supports to help them prepare for their research thesis or internship.

Why study at UCD?



Tradition

Established 1854, with 160 years of teaching & research excellence



Global profile

UCD is ranked in the top 1% of higher education institutions worldwide



Global community

Over 6,000 international students from over 120 countries study at UCD



Global careers

Degrees with high employability; dedicated careers support; Two-year stay-back visa for Non-EU students



Safety

Modern parkland campus with 24 hour security, minutes from Dublin city centre

Ireland's leading economics department

UCD School of Economics is Ireland's leading economics department. Our staff are experts with international reputations in a wide range of topics such as macroeconomics, econometrics, applied microeconomics, behavioural economics, health economics, international trade and economic history. School members play a significant role in debating economic policy issues and in contributing to the formulation of economic policy. Students get to know our staff via participation in small classes and seminars and through direct supervision.

Course Content and Structure

90 credits
taught masters

70 credits
taught modules

20 credits
dissertation

or

20 credits
internship

In your first term, you will undertake a two-week preliminary course in mathematics and statistics. You will also take the following modules:

- Microeconomics
- Macroeconomics
- Econometrics
- Research Skills

And a choice of one from

- Behavioural Economics
- Environmental Economics
- EU Competition Law

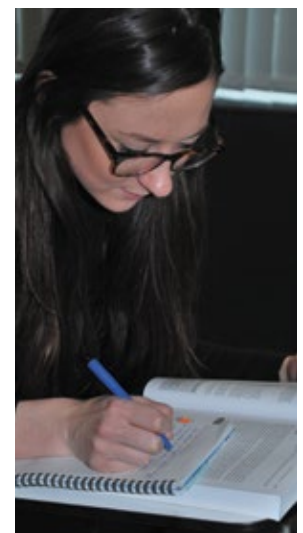
- Introduction to Development Economics

In your second term, you take four of the following modules. The following is an indicative list of modules likely to be available:

- Advanced Microeconomics
- Advanced Macroeconomics
- Advanced Econometrics
- Behavioural Economics: Policy Applications
- Experiments in Economics

- Economics of Competition Policy
- Health and Welfare Economics
- International Trade
- Energy Economics and Policy
- Aviation Economics
- Development Economics: Applied Micro

In summer term, you will do either a supervised research thesis or an internship.





Career Opportunities

Many graduates of our masters programmes have gone on to complete PhDs in economics and pursue successful careers as academic or research economists. Many others have moved directly to employment in central banks, think-tanks, government departments, regulatory agencies, financial sector institutions and consultancy firms. Graduates have undertaken successful internships at a range of prestigious institutions such as the European Central Bank, the National Treasury Management Agency and the Central Statistics Office.



Graduate Profile

Mojdeh Khandanian, Economist with the Irish Government Economic and Evaluation Service

The Msc. Applied Economics at UCD is an incredibly versatile program with vast applicability to careers in economics and beyond. Alongside gaining core knowledge, the opportunity to choose amongst a wide range of applied modules delivered by field experts allowed me to tailor the course to my interests and to explore different potential career paths. Through this, and through the invaluable guidance on theses, internships, and careers from staff, I discovered my desire to work in policy economics. The flexible yet specialised nature of the course enabled me to gain a traineeship undertaking monetary policy research at the European Central Bank, Frankfurt, and to gain employment as a professional economist with the Irish Government Economic Evaluation Service (IGEES) in the Department of Finance.

Related Masters

MSc Quantitative Economics
MSc Behavioural Economics
MA Public Policy

Fees Fee information at www.ucd.ie/fees

Entry Requirements

- A primary degree with at least an upper second class honours or international equivalent in Economics or in a degree in which Economics is a major component.
- We also consider applicants with at least an upper second class honours in a degree that has strong theoretical and quantitative content such as Maths, Physics, Engineering or Computer Science.
- We will also admit applicants with a Higher Diploma in Economics with at least an upper second class honours.
- Applicants whose first language is not English must also demonstrate English language proficiency of IELTS 6.5 (no band less than 6.0 in each element), or equivalent.

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