

FIVE YEAR BACCALAUREATE - MASTER OF ARTS: ECONOMICS - DUAL DEGREE PROGRAM

Student Learning Outcomes

Students graduating from this program will:

- Apply the theory and methods of the 'standard' approaches in both micro and macroeconomics given a variety of social and economic issues.
- Have a capacity for critical thinking and its role in challenging the 'standard' approach to economic problems.
- Demonstrate well-developed written and verbal communication skills.
- Demonstrate competency in a variety of qualitative and quantitative methods that will become part of their problem-solving toolkit.
- Have an advanced knowledge of the basic areas of the field.
- Be able to integrate their knowledge with critical thinking skills.
- Be able to articulate their knowledge, both orally and in writing.
- Be able to effectively research the literature of this field.

This program offers students the opportunity to fulfill the requirements of the baccalaureate and MA degrees in less time, and for less money, than the separate degree programs. Students earning a UMKC BA degree in Economics may count up to 9 credit-hours of 400-level undergraduate credit toward the MA degree. A student completing the requirements for the baccalaureate degree with 9 credit-hours of 400-level coursework (including ECON 425 and 451) can earn the MA degree with seven additional Economics courses (as specified below). For a full-time student this additional coursework can be completed in one year of study.

The requirements for this program are:

- Students must apply after completion of 60 hours toward their BA degree and **prior to the start of the anticipated undergraduate graduation term.**
- To apply, students must submit an application and a completed Declaration of Major form to the Department of Economics.
- Student applications will be reviewed and approved or denied at the discretion of the MA Program Advisor in the Department of Economics. **The deadline for decision is December 1 for a May Graduation and May 1 for a December graduation.**
- Students must pass a college-level calculus course before entering the program. MATH 206 Brief Calculus and Linear Algebra, or ECON 421 Mathematical Economics, or an equivalent is recommended; MATH 210 Calculus I is also acceptable.

Baccalaureate-MA Requirements

BA Component – see the requirements for the BA (<http://catalog.umkc.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/academic-departments-programs/economics/bachelor-of-arts-economics/>)-Economics program.

MA Component

Code	Title	Credits
Required Undergraduate Courses		
ECON 425	Econometrics	3
ECON 451	Institutional Economic Theory	3
One ECON 400-Level Elective		3
Required MA Courses		
ECON 5501	Advanced Macroeconomic Analysis	3
ECON 5502	Advanced Microeconomic Analysis	3
ECON 5521	Mathematical Economics	3
ECON 5525	Econometric Methods	3
ECON 5551	Advanced Institutional Theory	3

Elective Graduate Economics Courses: Two Economics courses at the 5500 level or higher.