MSc in Applied Economics

(One Year Full-Time)



Introduction

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

Programme Highlight

The MSc in Applied Economics programme features small group teaching from leading economists and a supportive environment. Students get to know our staff via participation in small classes and seminars and through direct supervision.

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.

Programme Content and Structure

90 credits Taught Masters

60 creditsTaught Modules

30 credits Dissertation

or

30 credits Internship

Autumn Trimester

In the Autumn trimester, you will undertake a two-week foundational course in mathematics and statistics. You will also take the following modules:

- Microeconomics
- Macroeconomic
- Econometrics
- Research and Career Skills I

And a choice of one from

- Behavioural Economics
- Environmental Economics
- EU Competition Law
- Introduction to Development Economics

Spring Trimester

In the Spring trimester, you take four of the following modules. The following is an indicative list of modules:

- Advanced Microeconomics
- Advanced Macroeconomics
- Advanced Econometrics: Micro
- Advanced Econometrics: Time Series
- Behavioural Economics: Policy Applications
- Decision Theory
- Aviation Economics
- International Trade
- Economics of Competition Policy
- Health and Welfare Economics
- Energy Economics and Policy

Summer Trimester

In the Summer trimester, you will do either a supervised research thesis or an internship.

Why study at UCD?



Graduate Education

12,000 graduate students; 17% graduate research students; structured PhDs



Graduate Employability

Ranked no. 1 in Ireland in QS Graduate Employability ranking



Global Careers

Dedicated careers support; 2 year stayback visa to work in Ireland



Global Community

8,500 international students and 300,000 alumni network across 165 countries



Global Profile

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



Welcoming Campus

Modern parkland campus with 24 hr security. Wide range of facilities, clubs, societies and supports



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, thinktanks, 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.

About the School

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.

Applicant Profile

- A primary degree with a minimum of 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 a minimum of an upper second class honours in a cognate area with a strong quantitative component.
- We will also admit applicants with a Higher Diploma in Economics with a minimum of 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.

Fees and Scholarships

Tuition fee information is available on www.ucd.ie/fees. Please note that UCD offers a number of graduate scholarships for full-time, self-funding international students, holding an offer of a place on a UCD masters programme. Please see www.ucd.ie/global/scholarships for further information.

Related Masters

- MSc Quantitative Economics
- MSc Behavioural Economics
- MA Public Policy

Graduate Profiles



Dhruv Mulchandani

The MSc in Applied Economics at University College Dublin uniquely provides a comprehensive view while critically focussing on areas of economics. The economics department at UCD is an internationally recognised centre of brilliance. The MSc offers a wider range of courses than many other MScs I considered. Studying microeconomics and macroeconomics at an advanced level provided me with a holistic understanding of international organizations and allowed for an in-depth analysis of their economic and financial activities. Moreover, studying econometrics gave me the background I needed for my future role as an Analyst. There were many intriguing option modules available for students which ensured that each student could focus on their specific areas of interest. Lastly, the added benefit of being able to choose to pursue an internship or a dissertation for the third semester was an appealing factor. The faculty at UCD are extremely supportive and experienced. The atmosphere is charged with diverse perspectives and nationalities. Having completed this programme, I have been able to use my theoretical knowledge and implement it in the real world. I am currently working in the Decision Science department for one of the leading banks in Ireland. Altogether, I would recommend this course to anyone interested in expanding their knowledge in the field of economics.

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