

## Economics: MA ECON, MA ECON (with Finance Specialization)

Join a welcoming and collaborative campus community and learn from internationally-recognized researchers in the Master of Arts (MA) in Economics program at the Lang School of Business and Economics. This advanced program will extend your economics and finance knowledge and prepare you for a variety of roles within the public and private sectors, as well as further education at the PhD level. The program offers a finance specialization for students who wish to focus their studies towards finance-based economics.

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### Program

Master's students can choose a course-based degree (8 months) or course work plus Major Research Project (MRP) degree (12 months). The MRP is completed in the third semester, supervised by a faculty member. Both specializations (Economic and Finance) will need to take a non-credit preliminary mathematics course as well as the Economic core of advanced microeconomics, macroeconomics and econometrics. Students interested in the finance specialization will need to take additional courses in theoretical and empirical finance.

### Research Field

- Financial Economics

### Admission Requirements

- Undergraduate degree (4-year program or equivalent)
- B+ average in last two years of study
- Strong background in economic theory and econometrics

### Financial Support

All qualified applicants are considered for financial support, which may be provided through:

- Graduate Teaching Assistantships
- Scholarships and Fellowships
- Research Assistantships



*Completing my M.A. in Economics at the University of Guelph was an amazing experience. The smaller program made for a much more intimate learning environment. The faculty genuinely care about the well-being of students and helped nurture my curiosity and focus my own ideas and passions. The M.A. challenged me intellectually, opened my mind to new ideas and possibilities, and helped me grow both personally and professionally."*

- Nico Meffe (MA, 2019), Economist, Statistics Canada

### Faculty Expertise

The department has a faculty complement of 27, with teaching and research interests across the entire range of economics and financial analysis.

### CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

- Economist
- Research associate, statistician, data analyst
- Financial analyst, portfolio manager
- Public/private sector management
- Academia
- Recent placements include TD Bank, CI Financial, Statistics Canada, PwC

### Application Deadline:

February 1, 2024  
Entry: Fall

### ARE YOU INTERESTED IN:

- Economics
- Finance
- International development
- Data analytics



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## Economics: PhD

The PhD in Economics program at the Lang School of Business and Economics will prepare you to become an independent and skilled researcher, in preparation for a career in academia, public or private sector. As a student in the program, you will benefit from learning and conducting your own research beside some of the world's most renowned economists and leaders in financial economic theory. Our faculty currently rank in the top 4% of the world for research output in economics, according to Research Papers in Economics (RePEc).

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### Program

The PhD in Economics program begins with three semesters of course work covering PhD-level microeconomics, macroeconomics and econometrics, followed by comprehensive examinations in economic theory and a qualifying dissertation proposal. The remainder of the program is devoted to the completion and defense of a full doctoral dissertation.

### Research Fields

- Financial Economics
- Resources, Environment and Energy
- Development and Growth
- Applied Microeconomics
- Econometrics

### Admission Requirements

- A recognized Master's degree in Economics with a minimum A-average (80%)
- Strong background in economic theory and econometrics

### Faculty Expertise

The department has a faculty complement of 27, with teaching and research interests across the entire range of economic and financial analysis. PhD Candidates may write a dissertation in any of the areas of expertise of the graduate faculty in the Department.



*"The diversity and inclusion of the PhD program was of key importance for me to choose Lang School and the active collaboration between the faculty and doctoral students has prepared me well for my future academic career."*

– Renliang Liu (PhD 2022, Assistant Professor of Economics, Liaoning University)

### Financial Support

We offer financial support for 4 years to both qualified domestic and international students in the form of:

- Graduate teaching assistantships
- Scholarships and fellowships
- Instructor / sessional opportunities
- Research assistantships

Funding is sufficient to cover costs of tuition and living.

### CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

- Academia - Recent PhD graduates hold faculty positions in Canada at: University of Toronto, University of Waterloo, Carleton University, Toronto Metropolitan University, St. Mary's University, University of Windsor
- Government
- Consulting
- Statistician or data analyst
- Recent placements include: TD Bank, Royal Bank of Canada, Statistics Canada, Treasury Board Secretariat of Ontario, CPP Investment Board, C.D. Howe Institute

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