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The Department of Economics and Finance offers a Master of Science degree in Economics (MS Economics). This degree provides students with the opportunity for specialization in areas within economics and for course work in related areas outside of economics. Some suggested areas for specialization within economics are applied econometrics, international economics, business economics, public choice, and border economics. Areas in which elective course work may be taken include finance, border studies, public administration, statistics, and computer information systems.

UTEP MS Economics alumni have embarked upon careers at organizations such as:

- * American States Water Company
- * El Paso Electric Company
- * Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas
- * El Paso Water Utilities
- * Banco de Mexico

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- * U.S. Federal Railroad Administration
- * El Paso Office of Management & Budget

A large number of MS Economics courses are conveniently scheduled during evening hours and on Saturdays. Students are required to complete a minimum of 30 credit hours of coursework.

Fast Track Program: BBA Economics students who are interested in pursuing an MS in Economics may do so through the joint degree Fast Track program. In order to apply for admission to the Fast Track program, students are required to have at least a 3.3 GPA and 90 credit hours of coursework toward the BBA (at least 24 of which must be at UTEP). Fast Track students will be allowed to take 12 credit hours of approved MS Economics coursework, which will count dually toward the BBA and MS Economics degree requirements.

The UTEP MBA degree program is accredited by AACSB International—the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business. The UTEP College of Business Administration has earned AACSB Accreditation for both its Business Administration and Accounting programs. Less than 5 percent of business schools world-wide have earned this prestigious designation from AACSB International which provides global leadership in advancing management education.

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Curriculum

Prospective students should have completed coursework in intermediate economic theory and quantitative methods prior to applying to the MS Economics program.

Course of Study for MS Economics Degree (30 or 36 credit hours) Graduate Core Requirements (12 credit hours) ECON 5305 Applied Mathematical Economics ECON 5302 Microeconomic Theory ECON 5303 Macroeconomic Theory ECON 5370 Applied Econometrics

Additionally, all candidates must complete one of the following options:

Thirty credit hour Thesis Option:

12 additional graduate credit hours in Economics or Approved Electives AND ECON 5398 Thesis I ECON 5399 Thesis II



Thirty-six credit hour Non-Thesis Finance Option:

6 additional graduate credit hours in Economics, Finance, or Approved Electives AND the following courses: ACCT 5301 Financial Accounting; FIN 5311 Financial Management; FIN 5315 Securities Analysis; FIN 5316 Risk Management and Derivative Markets; FIN 5318 Capital Formation, Analysis and Budgeting; FIN 5325 International Financial Management

Admission

Applicant Deadlines

Summer	Fall	Spring
US Applicants May 1	US Applicants July 15	US Applicants November 15
Mexican & Canadian Citizens February 1	Mexican & Canadian Citizens May 1	Mexican & Canadian Citizens October 1
Other International January 1	Other International April 1	Other International September 1

Applicants need to submit the following in order to be considered for admission to the MS Economics Program:

- au Online Application for Admission into a Graduate Degree Program (available online at <u>mba.utep.edu</u>)
- ↑ Official transcript from an accredited institution demonstrating completion of a four-year Bachelor's degree (or equivalent in the case of an international institution) and official transcripts from all colleges or universities attended (official transcripts for degrees earned at UTEP are not required)*
- Statement of Purpose, not to exceed one page, which may include a description of the applicant's professional experience, educational background, career goals and/or socio-economic background**
- au International applicants whose undergraduate degree was delivered in a language other than English are required to submit a TOEFL score *
- au Application fee (payable through the online application)
- au Most prospective students are required to apply for summer admissions to the program.
 - *Unofficial scores and transcripts can be uploaded to online application. Official scores and transcripts must be received by the Graduate School prior to enrollment.
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