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Environmental Economics
Environmental Valuation
Behavioral Economics
Applied Econometrics

Promoting People-Centered Economics since 1975

History of CEM

1909 Founding of the UP College of Agriculture with a Department of Rural Economics (DRE)

1919 DRE became the Department of Agricultural Economics (DAE)

1972 Establishment of UP Los Baños

1975 Department of Economics (DE) was established under the Institute of Agricultural Development and Administration (IADA)

1978 IADA became the College of Development Economics and Management (CDEM)

1987 CDEM became the College of Economics and Management (CEM)

1999 DE starts offering Master of Science in Economics

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MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ECONOMICS

A student may specialize in either
of the two tracks:



Development Economics



Environmental Economics








Application period:

1 Feb - 30 Apr every year

Your journey with
UPLB-DE Starts Here

Why Master of Science in Economics?

The MS Economics program will provide you with strong foundations to:

-  Carry out scientific inquiry with **modern quantitative methods**
 -  Critically **evaluate real-world scenarios** affected by intertemporal scarcity of resources
 -  Approach economic policymaking with a **multidisciplinary mindset**
 -  **Address major concerns** in your field of specialization
 -  Make **informed top-level decisions** in positions of leadership
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-  The program can be taken **full-time or part-time**
 -  Experience blended mode of learning with synchronous and asynchronous classes

Admission Requirements

- A 4-year bachelor's degree supported by a strong undergraduate record where all academic course requirements completed with a GWA of 2.0 or better.
- Show reasonable verbal and quantitative proficiency. The applicant may be required to take the Summer Program in Economics (SPE) or undergraduate economic courses depending on their scholastic record.
- The application period for the August intake starts from February to April every year. The program only accepts students at the start of the first semester.

Hear from our graduates

"I believe that DE students are lucky because the department really takes care of its students. It's up to the students to show them what they're made of. One of my fond memories is meeting my classmates every day in the library to review together for the comprehensive exam like we were in a team-building activity. After the program, I transferred to the power sector where I applied what I learned to financial valuations and energy markets. I'm now the first vice president for regulatory affairs of a leading power company and proud to be an alumna of MS Econ!"



Cherry Aquino-Javier
MS Econ, Class of 2003, Development Economics
First Vice President for Regulatory Affairs
Aboitiz Power Corporation

Curriculum and Graduation Requirements

The **Master of Science in Economics** is a 15-course unit program, with a total of 32 academic units. The program offers two tracks of specializations: **Development Economics** and **Environmental Economics**.

After their first year in the program, the student must pass a written comprehensive exam.

To qualify for graduation and be awarded an MS Econ degree, a student must maintain a grade of 2.00 or better in the fifteen (15) courses and obtain a general weighted average of 2.00 or better.

Development Track	Environmental Track
First Semester, FIRST YEAR ECON 201 Macroeconomic Theory I ECON 202 Microeconomic Theory I ECON 230 Mathematical Economics ECON 237 Econometrics ECON 299 Graduate Seminar in Economics	First Semester, FIRST YEAR ECON 201 Macroeconomic Theory I ECON 202 Microeconomic Theory I ECON 230 Mathematical Economics ECON 237 Econometrics ECON 299 Graduate Seminar in Economics
Second Semester, FIRST YEAR ECON 203 Macroeconomic Theory II or ECON 204 Microeconomic Theory II ECON 285 Advanced Development Economics ECON 241 International Trade and Commercial Policy or ECON 251 Advanced Public Economics Qualified Elective* ECON 299 Graduate Seminar in Economics	Second Semester, FIRST YEAR ECON 203 Macroeconomic Theory II or ECON 204 Microeconomic Theory II ECON 270 Advanced Environmental Economics ECON 275 Economic Valuation of Environmental and Natural Resource Systems Qualified Elective* ECON 299 Graduate Seminar in Economics
First Semester, SECOND YEAR Comprehensive Exam ECON 300 Master's Thesis	First Semester, SECOND YEAR Comprehensive Exam ECON 300 Master's Thesis
Second Semester, SECOND YEAR ECON 300 Master's Thesis	Second Semester, SECOND YEAR ECON 300 Master's Thesis

Qualified Electives

ECON 231	Economic Dynamics
ECON 238	Econometric Time Series Analysis
ECON 239	Economy-wide Modeling
AECO 248	Economic Analysis and Design of Natural Resource and Environmental Policies
AECO 250	Agriculture and Economic Development
AMAT 266	Deterministic Mathematical Decision Models.
AMAT 267	Probabilistic Mathematical Decision Models
DM 201	Development Perspective
DM 220	Public Policy and Program Administration for Development
STAT 241	Statistical Theory 1

Admission Procedure

February 1 | Applications Open

Step 1: Apply for admission through [the Graduate School website](#). Scan the QR Code below, and download Application Form 1.

Step 2: Once the online application is accomplished, mail the complete and valid admission documents to the address below:

Office of the Graduate School
Jose B. Juliano Avenue
UP Los Baños
Los Baños, Laguna, 4031
Philippines

April 30 | Applications Close

Step 3: Application results will be released on **May 30**. Applicants may be advised to take the **SPE** or be required to take undergraduate economics courses depending on their scholastic record.

June: Summer Program in Economics

July: Results of SPE Assessment

Step 4: Expect to receive an email from the Graduate School for the status of your admission either as a regular or probationary student.

August: Annual Intake

Step 5: Complete the pre-registration and enrollment process.



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