MASTER OF ARTS – ECONOMICS – 2023-24 (Plan II)

In addition to departmental requirements, candidates for graduate degrees must fulfill University requirements described in the “Graduate Education” section of the UCSB General Catalog.

A total of **36.0 units** are required for the M.A. program, which must include a minimum of 36 units of graduate-level coursework in courses numbered 200-299 or 596. Courses must be passed with a grade of B or better. Students are expected to maintain an overall GPA of at least 3.0. The maximum time-to-degree for the M.A. is two years. Failure to meet any of these requirements may result in the M.A. not being awarded.

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**PRELIMINARY EXAMINATIONS**

All students are expected to successfully complete the preliminary examinations in Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, and Econometrics. Preliminary examinations are graded Fail, M.A. Pass, Ph.D. Pass, and/or Ph.D. Pass with Distinction. To proceed to the second year of the Ph.D. program, students must receive a Ph.D. pass or better on all exams. Those receiving an M.A. Pass or better on all exams are entitled to the Master of Arts degree, as long as they fulfill the class grade requirements specified above.

A first year Ph.D. student is entitled to “grade out” of at most one preliminary exam. To be entitled to grade out of the preliminary exam for one of the core areas (Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, Econometrics) the following conditions must all be satisfied:

1. One of the three 1st year class grades in this area must be an A or better.
2. Two of the three 1st year class grades in this area must be A- or better.
3. All three 1st year class grades in this area must be B+ or better.

If a student satisfies these requirements for more than one area, he or she may decide which exam to drop. Students who grade out of an exam still require a PhD pass or better on both remaining exams to qualify for the second year of the program.
A student who grades out of an exam, but fails to obtain a PhD pass on any exam they attempt may make one additional attempt on that exam in August of their first year. However, the student must retake the exam they failed on the first attempt, they cannot switch to another subject area they may have qualified to grade out of.

A student who grades out of one exam and obtains an MA pass or better on the two preliminary exams they take qualifies for the MA degree, as long as they fulfill the other requirements for the M.A. degree specified above.

M.A. Program Faculty Advisor: ________________________________

Date Comprehensive Exams Passed (mm/dd/yy): ________________________________

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M.A. DEGREE REQUIREMENTS SATISFIED: ____________________________

Quarter/Year

M.A. Program Faculty Advisor: ________________________________

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Print Name

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Residence requirement—minimum 3 quarters *(verify departmental requirement)*

Required units completed

Language requirement Satisfied *(if required)*

No grades of I, NR, or NG

3.0 or better GPA overall

B or better in all core courses *(200-level – verify if department requirement)*

Registered quarter of degree or Filing Fee LOA:

Master’s Form I / COI and committee entered

Master’s Thesis date received *(signature page/e-filed and entered in SReg)*: __________________

Master’s Thesis Submission Fee: __________________

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Master’s Degree Awarded *(mm/dd/yy)*