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## A UNIQUE DEGREE

As in any Master of Arts degree in economics, students in the MAE program will take courses in modern micro and macroeconomics, and will obtain sound quantitative skills. Unlike those from standard programs however, MAE graduates will have in-depth knowledge of contemporary policy issues. MAE students may enhance their expertise by completing a research project in the areas of environmental, development or resource economics or an applied field such as health economics or finance. Students can also opt for a more interdisciplinary program of study, by taking related advanced courses in the fields of history, politics, Indigenous governance, peace and conflict studies, business, international development studies, environmental studies or geography.

MAE graduates will be well-prepared for jobs in business or government, as policy analysts, resource economists or environmental economists. They will be uniquely positioned to act as researchers and practitioners in the growing non-governmental and not-for-profit sectors, both in Canada and around the world.

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# Master of Arts in Applied Economics (MAE)

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## THE MAE PROGRAM: AN OVERVIEW

The Master of Arts in Applied Economics (MAE) provides an opportunity for students to acquire competency in economic analysis, while also teaching them how to use the tools of economics to tackle the pressing socio-economic problems in our society today. Students will learn how economics informs policy in a variety of fields, including regulation, health care, environmental policy, poverty, labour issues and finance. They will learn from dedicated faculty who specialize in and conduct cutting-edge research in these areas. Students may choose to pursue a general degree, or to complete a concentration in either Policy Analysis or Environmental, Resource and Development Economics.



## COURSE OF STUDY

Students must complete a total of 24 credit hours to graduate from the program. They must take five core MAE courses (12 credit hours), 6 credit hours from their chosen stream (below) plus 6 credit hours of elective courses. These elective courses include a 3 credit hour research project or practicum.

The following are the core MAE courses:

- **Math Review for MAE Students** (0 credit hours)
- **Microeconomics** (3 credit hours)
- **Macroeconomics** (3 credit hours)
- **Applied Econometrics** (3 credit hours)
- **Cost-Benefit Analysis and Valuation Techniques** (3 credit hours)

Required Courses for the Environmental, Resource and Development Economics Stream (3 credit hours each):

- Development Economics
- Environmental and Natural Resource Economics

Required Courses for the Policy Analysis Stream (3 credit hours each). Students select two of:

- Topics in Applied Economics
- Topics in Regulation and Public Enterprises
- Topics in Public Economics
- Topics in Industrial Organization and Competition Policy

May include a maximum of one of:

- An Indigenous Approach to Program Evaluation
- Special Topics in Public Administration
- Politics of Urban Development

## AN ACTIVE RESEARCH AND TEACHING ENVIRONMENT

Housed in the Buhler Centre in the heart of downtown Winnipeg, Canada, the Department of Economics at The University of Winnipeg has established a tradition of teaching excellence. Students of the MAE program will have the opportunity to learn from and collaborate with faculty who are actively engaged in research in the areas of environmental, resource and development economics, and in other fields across economics.

The University of Winnipeg is a growing hub for dialogue on social and economic change. Consistent with this theme, the MAE program will challenge students to develop solutions for pressing socio-economic problems such as climate change, persistent poverty, rising health care costs or stalled economic development in Indigenous communities.

## ADMISSION CRITERIA

You must hold, or reasonably expect to hold by September, an honours bachelor's degree. The minimum acceptable CGPA (Cumulative Grade Point Average) is 3.0 out of a possible 4.0, equivalent to "B" on a letter grade scale. The Department of Economics will assess degrees earned outside Canada to determine their equivalency.

An honours B.A. in economics is the normal prerequisite for admission to the MAE program. However, if you have high standing in any other undergraduate discipline and also have adequate preparation in economics, you may be eligible for admission. Applicants without sufficient background in economics may be admitted to the one year Post-Baccalaureate Certificate in Economics (PBCE) program which prepares students for entry into the MAE program.

## FINANCIAL SUPPORT

All applicants to the MAE program are automatically considered for funding. Financial support is in the form of a scholarship, teaching assistantship and/or research assistantship. We provide funding that is competitive with other Canadian Master's programs in Economics.

## HOW TO APPLY

The deadline for applications is February 1st. Applications can be submitted online and more information on applying to the program may be found here:

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