FAU Masters Program in Economics Overview

ECONOMICS
GRADUATE program
The not so dismal science.
Masters Program in Economics

- 1 of 6 Economics Masters Programs in Florida
- Only Stand-alone MS Economics in Florida
- 16 Full-Time Professors and Instructors
- Composition of MS Students:
  - 66% full-time (9 credits or more)
  - 34% part-time (8 credits or less)
WHY STUDY ECONOMICS?

Economics Majors
Rank In the Top 10
for Salaries After
Graduation

MS-Economics
Program at FAU
Masters Program in Economics

• Graduate Placements
  – Industry: Banking, Real Estate, Engineering
  – Government / International organizations
  – Ph.D. Programs: Florida, Miami, Purdue, Arizona, Colorado, UC Riverside, Alabama, Temple, UCF
  – Education: MDC, FAU, PBSC, IRSC, High Schools
Preparation for the MS Program

• Recommended Coursework
  – Comfortable knowledge of basic calculus
  – ECO 4421: Introduction to Econometric Methods
  – ECO 4401: Mathematical Economics

• Foundation Courses (do not counts towards MS)
  – ECO 6008: For those new to Economics courses
  – FIN 6406: For those new to Finance courses
# Application and Advising

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**FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY**
MyFAU System

• Centralized system used for:
  – Registration
  – Financial Accounts (tuition payments, etc)
  – E-mail
  – Access to grades and transcripts
  – University announcements
Registration Issues

- Registration Process (via MyFAU)
  - Current course schedules available online
  - Register ASAP to avoid capacity restrictions

- Common Registration Errors
  - “Prerequisite and Test Error”
  - “Program Error” or “College Error”
Cost of Tuition (2012 – 2013)

• Florida Resident Tuition and Fees
  – $369 / credit hour x 30 credits = $11,070

• Non-Florida Resident Tuition and Fees
  – $1,024 / credit hour x 30 credits = $30,720
MS-Economics Curriculum

• Minimum 30 credit hours
• Must maintain 3.00 GPA
• Three Major Tracks (choose upon application, but can change before 15 completed credits)
  – General Economics
  – Financial Economics
  – International Economics
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Options within the MS Program

• One 4000-level economics course by approval (ECO 4401 or ECO 4421 preferred)
• One week Study Tours (Costa Rica) each May
• Directed Independent Studies (3 credits)
• Masters Thesis (6 credits)
2013 Study Tour to Costa Rica
Sign Up Today at ProfessorChiang.com

Costa Rica 2013
May 3 – May 10
ECO 6958: 3 Credits
Masters Thesis Option

• Preferred 3 semester process
  – 1\textsuperscript{st} semester: form thesis committee and topic
  – 2\textsuperscript{nd} semester: thesis research
  – 3\textsuperscript{rd} semester: complete thesis, defense, and submit thesis to the Graduate College

• Committee comprises of 2 economics faculty and 1 external faculty member
Program Reminders

• Plan of Study Form—contract between student and university specifying all courses within the 30 credits, and must be submitted prior to final semester & before 15 credits completed

• Degree Application Form—must be submitted early in the graduating semester
Three Forms of Graduate Funding

• Graduate Assistantship: 20 hours/week in Dept.
  – 9 credits tuition (valued at $2,733) + $3,200 stipend
• SIs and Tutors: Up to 20 hours/week
  – Choice of courses, including Math and Statistics
  – 9 credits tuition (valued at $2,733) + $10 / hour
• Provost Fellowship: Additional $2,500 / year
Graduate Student Funding

- Number of Awards
  - GAs and Tutors: 5 – 9 per semester
  - Provost Fellowship: 1 – 2 per semester

- Competition for Funding
  - About 40% of applications receive funding
  - Average GPA = 3.65
  - Average GRE = V155/Q158 / GMAT = 610
Applying for Funding

• All funding – Send by e-mail:
  – Current resume and optional personal statement
  – List of all economics, math, and statistics courses

• SI/Tutoring:  [www.fau.edu/tutoring](http://www.fau.edu/tutoring)

• Funding Notification
  – Decisions made when budget permits
Earn a Masters Degree in 12 months

FAU Master of Science Program in Economics

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