The Master of Arts program is in applied economic policy analysis, with broad specialization areas. The program is large enough to support a full slate of core and area courses each year, yet small enough to maintain a sense of community among the students. The program is especially appropriate for those who wish to work in or return to positions in government, teaching, finance, or industry, while providing a rigorous basis for those who want to continue their studies to the doctoral level.

We offer the opportunity for master’s students to apply for paid work positions through Northeastern’s world-famous co-op program. Qualified and approved master’s students can participate in co-op as practicing economists for up to six months as part of their academic program. This paid work experience enhances the degree and its emphasis on application. Students have an opportunity to learn how to apply their knowledge, to solve problems, and to make a difference in the world before they graduate. Our graduates either find full-time work in their area of specialty or go on to earn additional graduate degrees. All of our graduates find jobs after completing our program. For more information, please visit economics co-op (https://www.northeastern.edu/cssh/economics/undergraduate/experiential-learning/co-op).

Program Requirements
Complete all courses and requirements listed below unless otherwise indicated.

General Requirements

Quantitative Courses
ECON 5105 Math and Statistics for Economists 4
ECON 5140 Applied Econometrics 4

Theory Courses
ECON 5110 Microeconomic Theory 4
ECON 5120 Macroeconomic Theory 4

Electives
With prior approval from the graduate program director, the following courses may substitute for electives: Thesis (ECON 7990) or Internship In Economics (ECON 8550). Additionally, a student may select a maximum of four graduate semester hours offered by other departments.

Complete 16 semester hours in the following range: 16
ECON 5200 to ECON 7772

Program Credit/GPA Requirements
32 total semester hours required
Minimum 3.000 GPA required