Admission Requirements
- Bachelor's degree in economics, finance, mathematics, physics, engineering, and so on, from an accredited college or university;
- Minimum undergraduate GPA of 2.7, or 3.0 for second half of undergraduate classes;
- Completed application forms are due by February 1 for timely consideration for graduate assistantships, fellowships, and National Scholars Programs;
- Application forms must accompany a personal statement — indicating career goals, reason for choosing EMU and specific degree program.

Scholarships and Financial Aid
A variety of scholarships and student loans are available through EMU. For students with high GPAs, the Economics Department awards about 10 half-time graduate assistantships per academic year and the Graduate School awards fellowships. International and non-Michigan applicants with GPAs of 3.2 or above are eligible for EMU’s National Scholars Program. Visit emich.edu/finaid.

Research and Teaching Experience:
Students gain research experience through their courses requiring statistical analysis of economic data. In some of these classes students are required to submit their empirical results in the form of a full-fledged manuscript.
- Students present these papers in the class in a conference format having one student previously designated as discussant with the Professor serving as moderator.
- Papers that are of particularly high quality may qualify for faculty sponsored conference presentations and may eventually result in publication in an economics journal. Travel expenses are supported by the department depending on availability of funds.

Outstanding students, aspiring to pursue Ph.D. upon completion of their M.A. may be considered for teaching introductory courses. This experience enhances their chances to get a teaching assistantship in a Ph.D. granting institution.

Svetlana Beilfuss is presenting her faculty (Dr. James Thornton) sponsored research paper at the Mid-West Economic Conference in Chicago, IL.

Upon receiving her M.A., she taught introductory economics classes while preparing to apply for admission to a Ph.D. program.

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College of Arts & Sciences
Economics Graduate Programs

The department of economics offers six different graduate programs:
- Economics (ECN)
- Applied Economics (ECNA)
- International Economics and Development (ECNI)
- Health Economics (ECNH)
- Trade and Development (TRDV)
- Medical Economics (CMECN)

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The graduate programs have been crafted predicated on student aptitudes, interests, academic background, and career goals. Accordingly, we offer five 30-credit hour M.A degrees and a 15-credit hour Graduate Certificate. These programs can accommodate students with undergraduate economics, business, mathematics, physics, engineering, political science, public administration and so on.

All graduate classes are small and diverse; nearly fifty percent of the students are from overseas. This student diversity gives the program a truly global perspective with varying viewpoints on economic conditions, problems, and government policies.

The curricula offered are balanced between strong theoretical underpinnings and real world applications. Many classes require data analysis using computer based statistical software. Graduate classes are generally offered in the evening (Monday – Thursday) to facilitate both full-time and working students who wish to pursue their graduate studies and fulfill their career goals.

The Five M.A. Programs

Medical Economics (CMECN)
The ECN program is focused primarily on theoretical foundations and tools of economic analysis so that students gain competence in economic theory and its applications. Any undergraduate major with a solid mathematics foundation are encouraged to consider this program.

International Economics & Development (ECNI)
Exposes students to a global view of economics. Graduates are prepared for technical careers, such as research or consulting for government and private enterprises in the fields of international economics and economic development.

Applied Economics (ECNA)
The program is crafted with empirically-oriented courses that prepare students for employment as applied economists. The curricula stresses quantitative approaches to economic model building for forecasting and policy analysis. Computer Labs are fully equipped with advanced econometric software to do the applied research.

The ECN, ECNI and ECNA programs are all designed for students with undergraduate economics background who are aspiring for careers in research or management positions in business, government policy analysis or planning. They prepare students for pursuing a Ph.D. or admission to law school.

Health Economics (ECNH)
Provides students with quantitative and statistical skills that can be used to do analysis within health sector organizations and consulting firms.

Trade & Development (TRDV)
Prepare students for employment in businesses and government to deal with non-technical aspects of international trade and economic development issues.

Both ECNH and TRDV programs are designed for students with a limited undergraduate economics background.

Fulbright scholarship sponsored students with Dr. Crary.

Graduate Certificate
Medical Economics (CMECN)
The program is designed for students with little or no prior economics background but who are already employed in health care or are seeking an entry level health care management position. The curricula is succinctly crafted to provide an understanding of economic principles and their application to medical care issues.

Faculty and Expertise
Dr. Michael Vogt, Professor
[Monetary/Macro & Int’l Economics]

Dr. Kemper Moreland, Professor
[Micro, Mathematical Economics & Public Finance]

Dr. Bill Woodland, Professor
[Micro, Sports & Business Economics]

Dr. Abdullah Dewan, Professor
[Monetary/Macro & Time Series Econometrics]

Dr. James Thornton, Professor
[Health Economics, Econometrics & Industrial Orgs]

Dr. Steven Hayworth, Associate Professor
[Macro, Growth & Development Economics]

Dr. David Crary, Associate Professor
[Macro, Forecasting & Economic History]

Dr. Mehmet Yaya, Associate Professor
[Int’l Trade, Labor & Income Inequality]

Dr. James Saunoris, Assistant Professor
[Macro, Public Finance & Appl. Time Series]

Dr. Younok Kim, Assistant Professor
[Health, Development & Appl. Econometrics]

Dr. Christopher Elias, Assistant Professor
[Macro, Int’l Finance & Appl. Time Series]

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Additionally, the department employs five adjuncts to share the teaching load of introductory undergraduate courses.

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