Graduate Program in Economics
MASTER OF SCIENCE-RESEARCH-BASED DEGREE IN ECONOMICS

APPLICATION FORM FOR SECOND YEAR THESIS

2015-2016 Academic Year

Application to be submitted between March 1 and April 15, 2015

Name:

Tentative Title of Thesis Project:

Primary Master of Science-Research Based Thesis Advisor

Print Name of Advisor:

Signature of Advisor:

Date:

Signature:

The application must also include a description of the candidate’s proposed research project (1-2 pages);

February, 2015
Admission Requirements for the
Research-Based Master of Science Program in Economics

To be admitted into the Research-Based Master of Science degree program in the second year, it is necessary that students demonstrate good standing in the first year of the program. Specifically, in their first year, M.S. students will have to meet the following condition:

1) a) Receive a GPA of 3.5 or better in the three fall semester courses, EC201, EC203, and EC205 with no grade lower than a B;

   b) be enrolled in and successfully complete (B- or better) the remaining three core courses and,

   c) obtain a GPA of 3.2 or better in the six core courses.

The Graduate Admission Committee will consider waivers to the first condition based on the following:

2) a) Receive a final grade of B- or better in all six core courses (EC201-EC206) and,

   b) obtain a GPA of 3.2 or better in the six core courses.

3) a) Students who are exempt from taking one or more core courses must meet Condition 1 or 2 for the remaining core courses.

Waivers to of these requirements may be granted by the graduate committee in exceptional circumstances.

In addition, a student will have to fill out an application with the Department of Economics, providing, among other information, the following:

1) The provisionary title of the Masters’ thesis.

2) The name of an Economic Department faculty member who has agreed to serve as the primary advisor for the Masters’ thesis.

3) A one-page description of the candidates’ proposed thesis topic.

This application can be submitted any time between March 1 and April 15. Students who meet Condition 1 can be (tentatively) admitted into the Research-Based program in Economics before the end of the spring semester. Students, who meet Condition 2 but not Condition 1, will only be admitted into the Research-Based program in Economics after spring semester grades have been assigned and no later than May 18. Note that the Graduate Admissions Committee reserves the right to refuse admission to the Research-Based program regardless of grades if in the Committee's view, the applicant does not show sufficient promise to be successful in the program.