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## QUEEN'S MANAGEMENT SCHOOL

Queen's is a global university, one of the top 200 in the world and ranked 8th in the UK for research intensity. It is a member of the elite Russell Group of 24 UK leading research-intensive universities. Queen's Management School plays a key role in its progress. For more than 40 years, it has been one of the leading business schools in the UK and Ireland. This premium programme is taught at the Riddel Hall campus and has dedicated facilities and resources for postgraduate students, including new lecture theatres, a postgraduate common room, computer suites and catering.

## PROGRAMME ATTENDANCE

One year full time mornings and afternoons.

## ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

Normally a 1st or 2.1 Honours degree or equivalent qualification acceptable to the University in Economics or a closely related subject (e.g. Business Economics, Finance, joint degrees with substantial economics component). We welcome applications from a diverse range of backgrounds so may also consider previous work experience alongside lower academic qualifications. Prior experiential learning in a quantitative analysis, Maths or Finance based subject in lieu of academic qualifications will be considered on an individual basis under the University's RPL Policy (<http://go.qub.ac.uk/RPLpol>). A formal interview, the submission of written work, exam, or GMAT test may form a part of this procedure.

## INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

For information on international qualification equivalents please visit the Queen's International Students website and select Your Country from the list: [www.qub.ac.uk/home/StudyatQueens/InternationalStudents/YourCountry/](http://www.qub.ac.uk/home/StudyatQueens/InternationalStudents/YourCountry/)

### English Language Requirements

International students wishing to apply to Queen's University Belfast (and for whom English is not their first language), must be able to demonstrate their proficiency in English in order to benefit fully from their course of study or research. Non-EEA nationals must also satisfy UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI) immigration requirements for English language for visa purposes.

For more information on English Language requirements for EEA and non-EEA nationals see: [www.qub.ac.uk/EnglishLanguageReqs](http://www.qub.ac.uk/EnglishLanguageReqs)  
Evidence of an IELTS score of 6.5 (taken within the last two years), with not less than 5.5 in any component, or an equivalent qualification acceptable to the University is required.  
If you need to improve your English language skills before you enter this programme, our partner INTO Queen's University Belfast offer a range of English language courses. These intensive and flexible courses are designed to improve your English ability for entry to this programme. For further information visit [www.intohigher.com/queens](http://www.intohigher.com/queens)

- English for University Study – an intensive English language and study skills course for successful university study at degree level
- Pre-sessional English – a short intensive academic English course for students starting a degree programme at Queen's University Belfast and who need to improve their English
- If you are an international student and you do not meet the entrance requirements, you should consider a preparation course at INTO Queen's University Belfast which will prepare you for successful study on these degree courses. INTO Queen's University Belfast is based on the University campus and offers a range of programmes including the INTO Graduate Diploma in Finance

## FEES FOR 2017 ENTRY

Home/EU	£6,500
International	£16,000

## HOW TO APPLY

[www.qub.ac.uk/home/StudyatQueens/InternationalStudents/Howtoapply/ApplyingforPostgraduateStudy/](http://www.qub.ac.uk/home/StudyatQueens/InternationalStudents/Howtoapply/ApplyingforPostgraduateStudy/)

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# MSc ECONOMICS

## WHY THIS COURSE?

**BECOME A  
PROFESSIONAL  
ECONOMIST**

**OR STUDY FURTHER TOWARDS  
A PHD IN ECONOMICS**

**BOOST YOUR  
PROSPECTS OF  
CAREER SUCCESS**

**BY NETWORKING WITH  
INDUSTRY PROFESSIONALS &  
WORLD-CLASS RESEARCHERS**

**LEARN THROUGH  
TACKLING REAL  
WORLD PROBLEMS**

**GAINING PRACTICAL SKILLS  
THAT WILL SET YOU APART**

**TO PROGRESS  
AND LEAD  
THINK AHEAD  
OF THE CURVE**

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Economists are among the most influential figures in 21st century life. They play a key role in helping us to understand the world around us and to make it function better. Many of our most challenging problems - global warming, poverty, rising inequality, public debt, the impact of the financial crisis – are economic in nature. The MSc at Queen's is an exciting course that provides the advanced knowledge and skills to understand these and other issues and to prepare students for careers as economists or for further study towards a PhD.

## MEET THE PROGRAMME DIRECTOR PROFESSOR ROB GILLES



"The MSc Economics at Queen's is an intensive postgraduate course offering the opportunity to develop an in-depth understanding of economic theory, its application to critical real-world issues, and the practical skills needed to excel as a professional economist or in PhD level study in economics. The programme will enable you to gain an advanced understanding across the discipline of economics and specialist expertise in economic theory, economic history or policy analysis."

## TEACHING AND LEARNING

If you are interested in advanced study that is 'post-crisis' in structure and content, delivered at one of the UK's leading universities, then this degree is for you. The programme builds on our established strengths in economic history, economic theory and the analysis of economic and social policy, allowing students to combine a deep and wide-ranging understanding of the discipline with the opportunity to specialise in one of these three particular fields. Students also benefit from the proximity to research centres at Queen's Management School, i.e. the Queen's University Centre for Economic History (QUCEH), the Centre for Not-for-Profit and Public-Sector Research (CNPR) for the study of the non-profit sector, and to the Centre for Irish Business and Economics Performance (CIBEP) for the study of the Irish economy and the Centre for Health Research at the Management School (CHaRMS).

Students who apply for the MSc Economics can also apply for scholarships offered by the university.

**DURATION**  
1 year full time

Seminars and masterclasses from expert guest speakers are an integral part of the programme. Under supervision, you will also complete a dissertation involving a detailed quantitative analysis of a challenging theoretical or applied issue in economics. This will help you prepare for doctoral level study or for a career in any of the sectors listed below.

## EXCELLENT CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

This programme prepares graduates for a career in a diverse global economy where economics graduates are in great demand owing to their unique range of skills and awareness of different perspectives. 80% of our MSc Economic graduates had job offers before graduation in 2016.

Graduates of our programme consistently report that their postgraduate education has helped them attain jobs that they couldn't have applied for without an MSc Economics and at a higher salary premium. The salary premium earned by past graduates from this programme outweighs the costs associated with an additional year of study, allowing past graduates to break even in only 1-5 years.

Recent graduates now work, among others, for the Government Economic Service, NERA Economic Consulting, the Irish National Treasury Management Agency, and Ulster University Economic Policy Centre. Students can also continue their study to PhD level at Queen's Management School and there are some scholarships available for exceptional students.

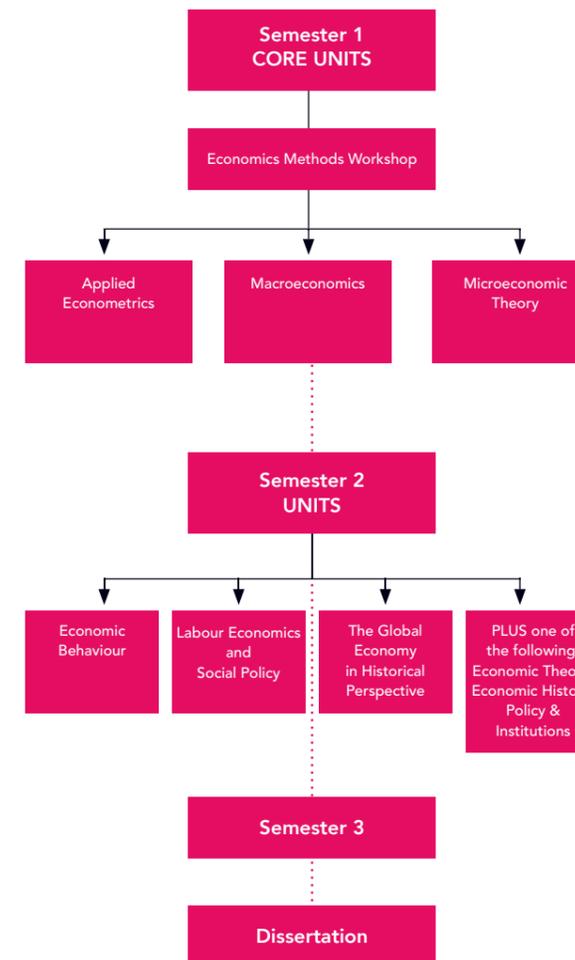
## ASSESSMENT

Two thirds by written examination and continuous assessment. One third by dissertation which may take a variety of forms including a traditional academic based dissertation, industry analysis or work based project.

Economics is ranked 23rd in the UK by the Sunday Times Good University Guide 2017 rankings

The Queen's Economics group ranked 2nd of all Russell Group universities for student satisfaction in the 2016 National Student Survey.

## PROGRAMME CONTENT



## DR MARK MCGOVERN LECTURER IN ECONOMICS



"I am a lecturer at Queen's Management School, where I teach Labour Economics and Social Policy on the MSc programme. Prior to joining Queen's, I was a research fellow at Harvard where I worked mainly on health and development economics. I particularly enjoy teaching economics because it provides me with the opportunity to engage with students on important policy topics ranging from minimum wages to interventions to reduce the transmission of HIV."

## YUE FENG MSc ECONOMICS STUDENT



"The modules on this programme are very useful. I now know how to use software to analyse economic problems. As a person who does not have an economic background, this programme is challenging, but fortunately, all economic lecturers are very nice and provide me with a lot of support. Also, the School provides two PhD students as tutors for economic students to improve our research quality. I recommend the Management School because teaching is of high quality and I am learning at an advanced level. I enjoy this programme a lot and although it may be challenging I know it can bring me great achievement."