



## International Graduate Studies Preparation Program (IGSPP): Track to a Ph.D. in Economics

Strengthen your application for admission to a high-ranked U.S. Economics Ph.D. program while completing valuable Ph.D. coursework in Econ at UCI!

Get the advanced academic, professional, and communication **skills** needed to gain admission to and **succeed** in your ideal graduate school.

### PROGRAM FEATURES

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| Introduction to the UCI campus, its prestigious faculty, its abundant resources, and its academic rigor | 20-hour Academic and American Culture class (AACC) at the graduate level; Graduate Preparation Seminar (GPS)                      | 30-hour GRE preparation course   |
| Month-long Math/Statistics "camp" to review mathematics, probability, and statistics                    | One academic year (9 months) of the Economics Department's Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, and Econometric Ph.D. course sequences | Extensive one-on-one advising from qualified, dedicated academic advisors, both in IGSP and the UCI Department of Economics, including guidance with research and professional direction |
| English-as-a-Second Language support if needed  | Application assistance to top graduate programs   | Possibility for acquiring letters of recommendation from UCI professors  |

### 12-MONTH IGSP CERTIFICATE

#### PROGRAM COST:

Tuition

**\$35,000**

Approximate total cost  
\$58,500 USD  
(excludes airfare)

#### IGSP CERTIFICATE SCHEDULE:

Summer 2016: June 14



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| Quarter 1: Summer  | Quarter 2: Fall                  | Quarter 3: Winter   | Quarter 4: Spring  |
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| AACC<br>10-Week Intensive ESL<br>GRE Preparation<br>(3 units)<br>Math/Statistics "Camp"<br>(8 units) | Econ Ph.D. courses<br>(12 units) | Econ Ph.D. courses<br>(12 units)<br>Advisor's Course<br>(3 units) | Econ Ph.D. courses<br>(12 units)<br>Graduate Preparation<br>Seminar<br>(3 units) |
| Total: 11 units +<br>18 hrs. ESL   | Total: 15 units                  | Total: 15 units   | Total: 15 units  |

## BENEFITS OF STUDYING AT UCI

- **Earn** a Ph.D. degree from a top-ranking U.S. university\*
- **Study** at the 11th best public university in the U.S.
- **Live** in one of America's safest cities
- **Enjoy** Southern California's beautiful coastline

\*Completion of IGSPP Economics PhD Track does not guarantee admission to UCI or any other degree program.

## ELIGIBILITY & MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

- Bachelor's degree (at least) from a recognized academic institution – an undergraduate degree in Economics or a related area is highly recommended; some coursework in Economics and/or statistics is required.
- Cumulative undergraduate GPA of higher than 3.0 out of 4.0 (equivalent to 80%)
- Minimum English language proficiency: TOEFL iBT 85 (IELTS 7.0); The International Programs English placement test is required upon arrival. Applicants not meeting minimum requirements for academic coursework at the end of the summer quarter may be required to transfer to IGSPP General.
- Résumé or curriculum vitae
- Statement of Purpose outlining reasons for applying to UCI Ph.D. in Economics and IGSPP Econ Certificate Program
- Proof of sufficient financial support: \$58,500 USD (12 months)
- The UC Irvine Department of Economics will make the final decision on acceptance to the program

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

Contact [igspp@uci.edu](mailto:igspp@uci.edu); please refer to the Graduate Certificate in Economics