COMPARATIVE BUSINESS ECONOMICS MA /
2017/18 ENTRY

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Comparative Business Economics MA /

The Comparative Business Economics MA at UCL is focused principally at company-level study and offers the chance to examine: the role of multinationals; corporate governance and finance; privatisation; entrepreneurship, and the determinants of innovation and technological change within the European area.

Degree summary

The programme offers discipline-based training combined with empirical application, drawing on the experience of the 28 nations that have emerged from the former Soviet block in Europe and Asia. Students are equipped with strong foundations in both international business and economics as well as in finance and corporate governance.

The UCL School of Slavonic & East European Studies (SSEES) is a world-leading specialist institution, and the largest national centre in the UK, for the study of central, Eastern and South-east Europe and Russia. Located in Bloomsbury, SSEES offers an ideal location for scholars. The British Library, British Museum, University of London Library and other similar research centres are all close by. Our unique specialist library and central London location provide an ideal environment for research, while our close contacts with employers, policymakers and alumni afford excellent opportunities for networking and career development.

The programme is delivered through a combination of lectures, tutorials and seminars. Students will be assessed by unseen written examinations, coursework and the research dissertation.

Degree structure

Mode: Full-time: 1 year; Part-time: 2 years
Location: London, Bloomsbury
Students undertake modules to the value of 180 credits. The programme consists of three core modules (60 credits), plus a compulsory choice of one of four additional modules (15 credits), a selection of optional modules to the value of 45 credits, and a research dissertation (60 credits).

CORE MODULES
- 60 credits of core modules:
  - Quantitative Methods
  - Advanced Quantitative Methods
  - Political Economy of International Business

OPTIONAL MODULES
- Financial Development
- Corporate Finance and Investment in Emerging Markets
- Causes, Consequences and Control: Corruption and Governance
- Informal Practices in Post-Communist Societies
- Economics of Health and Population
- Trade and FDI Policy with reference to Eastern Europe
- Public Choice-Private Interest
- International Macroeconomic Policy
- Language modules
- Corporate Governance
- The Economics of Property Rights

DISSERTATION/REPORT
- All MA students undertake an independent research project which culminates in a dissertation of approximately 12,000 words.
Your career

With their specialist knowledge and language skills, SSEES Master’s graduates can be found in business, finance, the media, international agencies, charities, diplomacy, international security organisations, the law, and academia.


Employability

The Comparative Business Economics MA prepares our graduates for both further research, and for work in international business, for European and national government institutions, and for developing their own entrepreneurial ventures. Networking is facilitated by two major collaborations led by SSEES: CEELBAS and the International Master’s (IMESS). Scholarships, internship opportunities and excellent links with other universities in the region provide further benefits.
**Entry requirements**

A minimum of an upper second-class Bachelor’s degree in a relevant discipline from a UK university or an overseas qualification of an equivalent standard. Applicants are usually expected to have studied one term of both microeconomics and macroeconomics in their undergraduate degree.

**English language proficiency level**

If your education has not been conducted in the English language, you will be expected to demonstrate evidence of an adequate level of English proficiency.

The level of English language proficiency for this programme is: **Good**.

Information about the evidence required, acceptable qualifications and test providers is provided at: www.ucl.ac.uk/graduate/english-requirements

**Your application**

Students are advised to apply as early as possible due to competition for places. Those applying for scholarship funding (particularly overseas applicants) should take note of application deadlines.

When we assess your application we would like to learn:

- why you want to study Comparative Business Economics at graduate level
- why you want to study Comparative Business Economics at UCL
- what particularly attracts you to this programme
- how your personal, academic and professional background meets the demands of a challenging and truly international academic environment
- where you would like to go professionally with your degree

Together with essential academic requirements, the personal statement is your opportunity to illustrate whether your reasons for applying to this programme match what the programme will deliver.

Successful applicants to this programme will be required to pay a tuition fee deposit dependent on their mode of study and fee status as given below:

*Overseas full-time: £2,000
*Overseas part-time: £1,000

Further details can be found on the Fees and funding page.

**FEES AND FUNDING 2017/18 ENTRY**

- **UK**: £14,910 (FT), £7,870 (PT)
- **EU**: £14,910 (FT), £7,870 (PT)
- **Overseas**: £23,710 (FT), £11,800 (PT)

The tuition fees shown are for the year indicated above. Fees for subsequent years may increase or otherwise vary. Further information on fee status, fee increases and the fee schedule can be viewed on the UCL Current Students website.

Full details of funding opportunities can be found on the UCL Scholarships website: www.ucl.ac.uk/scholarships

**APPLICATION DEADLINE**

All applicants: 1 March 2017

Details on how to apply are available on the website at: www.ucl.ac.uk/graduate/apply

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**EU referendum**

For up-to-date information relating to specific key questions following the UK’s decision to leave the EU, please refer to www.ucl.ac.uk/eu-referendum