ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (GRADUATE CERTIFICATE)

The Graduate Certificate Program in Economic Development equips students with conceptual and methodological tools with which to pursue economic development activities in state, regional and local governments; non-profit and community organizations; private associations such as chambers of commerce; or private businesses and civic institutions engaged in economic development. It is administered in conjunction with the following graduate programs:

- Sociology
- Business Administration
- Economics
- Employment and Labor Relations
- Public Administration
- Urban Planning.

The Certificate is designed for students who wish to combine a graduate degree (master's or doctoral) with a specialty in urban, regional and state economic development. It will be awarded only in conjunction with the completion of a graduate degree or to those already holding such a degree.

Admission Requirements

Applicants must meet the admission standards of the Graduate School. (https://bulletins.wayne.edu/graduate/general-information/admission/) Eligibility for this program is limited to persons holding a graduate degree from an accredited educational institution or those actively pursuing a graduate degree at Wayne State University. Applicants must submit a completed application form, personal statement of interest in the program, and Plan of Work.

Program Requirements

Students must complete twelve credits in designated courses, including Core Area I, and courses (at least three credits each) from two of the Core Areas II, III, and IV. At least one course at the 7000 level must be elected, and at least one course (in addition to the Area I course) must be elected from outside the student's graduate program.

Students in the certificate program must maintain a grade point average of at least 3.0. Transfer of credit from other institutions may not be applied toward the credits required for the certificate. If a student is concurrently enrolled in a graduate degree program at the University, no more than nine credits from the certificate program may be applied toward that degree.

Academic Scholarship: All course work must be completed in accordance with the regulations of the Graduate School (https://bulletins.wayne.edu/graduate/general-information/academic-regulations/) and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (https://bulletins.wayne.edu/graduate/college-liberal-arts-sciences/academic-regulations/).

Code	Title	Credits
Core Area I: Theory and Practice of Economic Development		
UP 6550	Regional, State, and Urban Economic Development: Policy and Administration	
Core Area II: Economic Development Policy, Politics and Institutions		
Business Administration		
MKT 7460	International Business	
MGT 7750	Managing Employee Relations	
Industrial Relations		
ELR 7400	Labor Relations Law in North America	
ELR 7450	Employment Relations Law in North America	
Political Science		
PS 6340	Public Sector Labor Relations	
PS 7240	Urban Public Policy	
Urban Planning		
UP 6350	Housing Policy and Programs	
Core Area III: Economics and Finance of Economic Development		
Business Administration		
FIN 7870	International Finance	
Economics		
ECO 6510	Advanced Public Finance	
ECO 6800/ UP 5820	Advanced Urban and Regional Economics	
Urban Planning		
UP 6310	Real Estate Development	
Core Area IV: Economic Development Management and Analysis Technique		
Business Administration		
FIN 7020	Corporate Financial Management	
MGT 7660	Entrepreneurial Management	
Political Science		
PS 7250	Seminar in Urban Administration	
PS 7460	Program Evaluation	
Urban Planning		
UP 6650	Planning and Development Law	

For further information about this certificate program, contact the graduate advisor of the program in which you are enrolled or wish to enroll. Students who are not in a graduate program in applied sociology, business administration, economics, industrial relations, public administration, or urban planning, or who do not already possess a graduate degree in one of these areas, should contact the Department.