1. **How do I apply?**
   All applications are submitted online: [http://www.gs.emory.edu/admissions/application.html](http://www.gs.emory.edu/admissions/application.html)

2. **What is the timetable for the admissions process?**
   Students are only accepted for fall admission. The three important admissions dates to remember are:
   - Deadline for completing online applications is January 1
   - Admissions offers are made by April 1
   - Student decisions must be submitted by April 15

3. **Do you admit International students?**
   Yes. We do not discriminate based on nationality or any other factors. We examine each applicant on the basis of their own portfolio. Students typically enter the U.S. on an F-1 visa.

   Visit Emory’s International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS) for more information: [http://www.emory.edu/isss/](http://www.emory.edu/isss/)

4. **Do you offer funding, fellowships, or other financial aid?**
   Students admitted to our program receive multiple years of support (tuition plus stipend) contingent upon acceptable progress towards degree completion. The stipend is typically paid over a period of 12 months.

   Advanced students may receive additional support through teaching, research grants, or dissertation completion fellowships. Additional funds are also available through special competitive fellowships offered through the University. Students have the opportunity to teach in summer for additional pay starting at their third year.

5. **Do I have departmental duties in exchange for the fellowship?**
   Students are expected to work as research assistants, teaching assistants, and/or teaching associates in all years in which they receive a fellowship, excluding the first year when they have no work assignment.

6. **What requirements do I have to fulfill before I start teaching?**
   All students are required to complete the Laney Graduate School’s TATTO (Teaching Assistant Training and Teaching Opportunity) program.

   This involves a sequence of pedagogy courses taught within the LGS as well as the department. Provided that this training is completed successfully, you will receive hands-on experience with teaching through TA duties starting at the second year. You will have the opportunity to teach your own course(s) after your third year.
7. **Can the TOEFL/IELTS requirement be waived?**
   If you have completed your undergraduate or graduate education at an English-speaking university, this requirement is waived. No documentation is needed to secure this waiver if you graduated from a U.S. university.

   To secure the waiver from a foreign university with English as the language of instruction, please include a letter from the university (on university letterhead) stating that instruction at that university is provided in English. This letter can be attached and submitted with your resume.

8. **Do you require the GRE (Graduate Record Examination)?**
   Yes. The GRE is required for all applicants. GRE Scores are valid for a period of 5 years.

   The admissions committee will accept self-reported GRE scores for initial review but official scores will be required if you are admitted.

   The TOEFL or IELTS is also required of all international students from non-English speaking countries provided they do not have an undergraduate or master's degree from an English-speaking institution.

9. **Do you require official GRE and TOEFL scores sent by ETS?**
   Yes. We do require official scores to be sent by ETS but the admissions committee will accept self-reported GRE and TOEFL scores for initial review. Official scores will be required if you are admitted. The department code for the GRE is 1801. The department code for the TOEFL is 84; Emory’s code is 5187.

10. **Will you accept a copy of my GRE scores and transcripts rather than official reports?**
    The admissions committee can use a scanned or copied version of your scores and transcripts for initial review, but we will need official versions of both documents if you are admitted.

11. **Do you require the TSE (Test of Spoken English)?**
    We do not require the TSE, but we do have an ELSP proficiency assessment, which all non-native English speakers must take upon arrival at Emory. You are exempted from or placed in the ELSP course sequence based on the outcome of this assessment.

12. **Do you have minimum GPA or GRE requirements?**
    We do not have strict minimum requirements, although we recommend that applicants demonstrate a score of at least 60% on the GRE Quantitative Exam and 50% on the GRE Verbal Exam.

    Please be aware that most applicants will score in much higher percentiles than the minimum proficiency thresholds.

    We also recommend that you show high grades in your upper level economics, mathematical, and statistics courses.
13. Can I have more than 3 letters of recommendation?
   Three letters of recommendation are required, although you can submit an additional fourth letter if you choose to do so.

14. Can I submit a writing sample along with my statement of purpose?
   Yes. You are encouraged to submit a writing sample such as a research paper or previously-published article.

15. Is the supplemental video required and what information should the video contain?
   We encourage applicants to submit a video as part of their PhD application. While not required, the video offers you the opportunity to provide more details regarding your areas of interest and why you believe the PhD program in Economics at Emory is a good fit for you.

16. What classes can I take to strengthen my preparation for the Ph.D. Program?
   We have found that advanced preparation in mathematics and statistics is very useful to our students.

   Most students enter the program with courses such as:
   
   • Real Analysis
   • Multivariate Calculus
   • Linear Algebra
   • Differential Equations
   • Probability Theory and Statistics
   • Econometrics

   We do not require these courses for admission, but strongly recommend them.

17. Do I need a Master’s Degree to qualify for your program?
   No, although students who have taken more advanced courses in economic theory, mathematics, and econometrics are at an advantage when being considered for admission.

18. Do you offer a self-contained Master's Degree Program?
   No. The program is designed solely for PhD study. There are no Master’s-level courses or a self-contained Master’s level program.

19. Who do I contact if I have specific questions about the admissions process?
   If you have specific questions about the application process, please contact our Graduate Program Coordinator, Renee Sevy-Hasterok at renee.sevy-hasterok@emory.edu