PLACEMENT GUIDE
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Madras School of Economics
Post graduate research and teaching in Economics.
PLACEMENT SNAPSH OT 2013-14

Sectors that hired them

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Final Recruiters: 26
New Recruiters: 7
Highest Salary: 11.5L Per annum
Average Salary: 6.75L Per annum
Median Salary: 7.25L Per annum

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BATCH PROFILE 2013-15

Educational Background

- Economics: 69%
- Mathematics: 10%
- Engineering: 9%
- Commerce: 7%
- Management: 3%
- Others: 2%

Geographic Spread

- Financial Economics: 27%
- General Economics: 25%
- Applied Quantitative Finance: 22%
- Actuarial Economics: 15%
- Environmental Economics: 11%

Gender Ratio

- Male: 85%
- Female: 10%
- Others: 5%

Work Experience

- Fresher: 85%
- 0-1 years: 10%
- 1-2 years: 5%
Countries today are more integrated with each other than ever before. The global slowdown affects every country including India. Our economy grows well below its potential level. We are experiencing high food inflation, huge fiscal deficit and current account deficit, rising oil prices and gold import, and rupee depreciation against US dollar. To emerge out of this under performance, effective steps need to be taken. Given the nature of the growth dynamism and complexity of interrelations among the economies/sectors, there is a need to train more and more economists who can easily grasp the situations and find suitable remedies. MSE plays an important role in this regard.

While it is relatively young as compared to many reputed institutions in the country, it has emerged as a leading institution in both teaching and research in economics. It offers five Masters Programmes: M.Sc Actuarial Economics, M.Sc Applied Quantitative Finance, M.Sc Financial Economics, M.Sc Environmental Economics, and M.Sc General Economics in collaboration with Central University of Tamil Nadu (CUTN), Thiruvarur.

These programmes are unique and equal as we follow an analytical approach in all. Potential employers of MSE graduates will find them to be well trained in economic theories, quantitative techniques, econometric software, aware of the macroeconomic environment, conscious of the policy dilemmas with a well developed sense of social responsibility. MSE alumni have been placed well and proved themselves conduit to the fields including analytics, research, policy making, banks, academic institutions, and NGOs. The current batch seems to one of the best and I hope they will surely keep the MSE flag flying high. I wish them a “Good Year”.

Dr. K.R. Shanmugam

Dr. C. Rangarajan
Fmr. Chairman, Prime Minister’s Economic Advisory Council.
Chairman, Madras School of Economics
ABOUT MSE

Madras School of Economics was founded in 1995, with the vision to establish a largely privately funded independent institution of higher learning in the vital field of social sciences. In a very short tenure, the institute has been able to make a mark for itself among the leading economics institutions in India.

All the programs offered at the institute provide a wide range of electives to the students. It equips them with a combination of quantitative techniques and value focused decision making ability. Owing to its excellence, The National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) awarded MSE an “A” grade and The Ministry of Environment and Forests has designated MSE as a Centre of Excellence in Environmental Economics.

Madras School of Economics, with its very active research unit and well formulated curriculum, has made its presence felt in both the government as well as the corporate sector. With in-depth subjective knowledge and wit, the students here have proved themselves conduit to the various sectors they worked in, including consumer and corporate banking, academia, investment banking, analytics, research cells and various government bodies.

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ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES

Each MSE course has a clear focus expressed through a well structured curriculum. Yet, through a flexible system of electives, students have the opportunity to tailor their course of study to reflect their specific interests.

The admission process, prospective MSE aspirants have to go through is rigorous to say the least. A strong mathematical aptitude is a pre-requisite for admission to any of these five courses. Every student has to complete four semesters of meticulous academic work.

There is also a strong stress on building individual research capabilities as students are required to prepare and present term papers and submit a dissertation in the fourth semester that is subject to rigorous evaluation process. Moreover, during the course of 2 years, students are scrupulously prepared to add value to themselves and the organizations they would work with.

All these ensure that our recruiters, from every field, expect and get nothing but a pool of exceptional students.

GENERAL ECONOMICS

Overview

The program has been designed and developed as a unique, application oriented course in Economics which is very relevant for today’s liberalized economic environment.

The core subjects lay the foundations for the basic theory and various specializations offered give students a feel of how it is being played out in real economies.

As part of the curriculum, students are required to do assignments and presentations involving considerable amount of teamwork and a prudent evaluation structure.

There is also an emphasis on independent research as each student undertakes a significant research project during the final year.

Core Papers

Microeconomics
Macroeconomics
Mathematical Methods
Statistical Methods
Public Economics
Econometric Methods
Applied Econometrics
Development Economics

Specializations

International Trade and Finance
Industrial Organisation
Financial Economics
Games and Information
Agricultural Economics
Indian Economic Development
Environmental & Resource Economics
Institutional Economics
Regional Economics
Health Economics
Agricultural Development & Policy
Overview

The ability to adequately capture stylized facts in financial markets depends crucially on the development of good models, the estimation of the developed models and their evaluations. Recent advances in Statistical, Econometric and Analytical Modelling have vastly improved the understanding of the same. Consequently, there has been an exponential increase in the demand for qualified analysts.

The course is geared towards presenting the central concepts in clear, analytical, mathematical and computational detail with an emphasis on the underlying intuition. The students are rigorously mentored over the course of two years to emerge as professionals, equipped with leading-age quantitative and analytical tools, highly valued by employers in financial markets across the globe.
Growing evidence on trade-environment inter-linkages and potential challenges that the world economy has to face due to global climate change is the principal motive behind introducing this two-year post graduate degree program in Environmental Economics.

The objective of the M.Sc. program in Environmental Economics at MSE in collaboration with CUTN is to provide students with rigorous and specialized training in economics of the environment.

The degree is designed for individuals with a strong background in mathematics and good exposure to basic economics. On the completion of Master degree, all students will have well developed skills in quantitative analysis and modelling with an understanding of the economic approaches to resolve the challenges of resource over-exploitation and misuse of the environment.
STUDENT INITIATIVES

ALPHA
Alpha is the student-run economics and finance cell of MSE. We regularly host quizzes, debates both inter and intra college.

ARTHIKI
Arthiki is the annual economics festival of MSE. The festival first started in 2006 and is now a respected national student festival.

ATHENA
Athena is the annual economics magazine, edited and managed by the Editorial Board that comprises of students. For more details, visit <mseathena.wordpress.com>

SPIC MACAY
MSE students in association with SPIC MACAY regularly organize concerts of Indian classical musicians and dancers in order to promote the cultural traditions and heritage of India.

PLACEMENT CELL
Placement cell is a student-run body. Its responsibilities include coordinating the summer internship and the campus recruitment.
**FAQs**

**Q.1 How are slots allocated to companies during the placement season?**

Slots are allocated keeping in mind—
1) Years of association
2) Pay package
3) Company reputation
4) Alumni feedback
5) Job profile
6) Number of positions offered

**Q.2 What facilities are available to an on-campus recruiter?**

Companies have the option of conducting their recruitment processes both on and off campus. For on-campus recruitments Madras School of Economics provides classrooms and Conference Rooms that are large, spacious and fully air conditioned. Every room allotted to companies will have provisions for the usage of projectors for presentations and audio systems for conducting talks.

**Q.3 Will I have a particular point of contact in College for the recruitment process?**

Yes. Every company is assigned to a particular student representative from the Placement Cell who will help facilitate the placement process both on and off campus. He or she will be the link between the Company and the College. The student representative can be reached via both email and telephone and will assist the recruiters in every which way possible before, during, and after the recruitment process.

**Q.4 Can I conduct my interviews over Skype or Telephone?**

The Placement Cell places no restrictions regarding the format employed for placement interviews. The companies can carry out their recruitment process in whichever format they see fit; the Placement Cell will ensure that it is carried out smoothly and efficiently.

**Q.5 Can a placed student apply to any further companies that subsequently visit the campus for placements?**

No, once a student receives a final job offer, he/she will not be permitted to apply to any further companies. However, he/she is not prohibited from applying off-campus to other companies on their own.

- Placement season commences in the first week of December and can extend up to March next year.
- All offers made to successful candidates are to be communicated through the Placement Cell only.
- Companies are welcome to visit the campus for summer placements as well.
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