

YSU to offer new grad programs upon approval of North Central

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Youngstown State University will offer new graduate programs in economics and business administration in the fall quarter, 1971, if accreditation is forthcoming from the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

Representatives of the North Central Association were on the University campus, January 28th and 29th, to evaluate the two new programs. Preliminary accreditation could be granted at the NCA's spring meeting, thus permitting the fall opening of classes in the new programs.

The aim of the graduate program in economics, which leads to a Master of Arts degree, is two-fold. It provides for terminal training at the master's level and also prepares the student for advanced study at the doctoral level.

Admission to the program requires the applicant to hold a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university and to have a cumulative point average of 2.5 or better.

The graduate program leading to the degree of Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.), will provide business and industry with capable and responsible individuals to fill middle management positions.

Admission to the M.B.A. program requires a bachelor's degree, a cumulative point average of 2.7, and a satisfactory score on the Admission Test for Graduate Study in Business.

An applicant for the economics program must have completed 21 quarter hours of economics courses including the principles of economics and at least one statistics course. In addition, he must make satisfactory scores on the general aptitude and economics advanced test of the Graduate Record Examination (GRE).

A minimum of 45 graduate credit hours, of which at least 36 must be earned at Youngstown State University, is required to obtain a Master of Arts degree in economics. Twenty-three quarter hours must be in courses numbered 900 or over.

Core course requirements are Microeconomics I and II, Macroeconomics I and II, and Statistical Problems. The student will also choose at least two additional areas of concentration, taking at least six

quarter hours of course work in each. One of these areas must be Fiscal Economics, International Economics and Development, or Monetary Economics.

Upon completion of at least 36 quarter hours of graduate work, the student must take a comprehensive examination in economic theory. To be eligible for the exam, he must have a scholastic average of not less than 3.0 (B). This examination may be taken only twice.

The student who has successfully passed the examination has two alternatives open to him for graduation. He may choose to complete a total of 45 quarter hours of graduate course work or he may write a master's thesis.

The thesis is to be submitted according to Graduate School requirements and is worth a maximum of 9 quarter hours credit. The student is also required to defend his thesis in an oral examination before three or more faculty members.

Instructors in the economics graduate program include Dr. Anthony H. Stocks, in charge of the Economics graduate program, Dr. Philip J. Hahn and Dr. Taghi T. Kermani. Other

instructors from the economics department will be added to the graduate faculty as the program progresses.

Undergraduate prerequisites for the M.B.A. program include one year of accounting, one year of economics, and one course in each of the following: finance, law, management, marketing, and statistics.

Applicants with undergraduate deficiencies and those whose point average is below 2.7, but who have shown improvement in their junior and senior years, will be considered for admission to the program on a provisional basis.

The M.B.A. degree requires either a minimum of 45 graduate credit hours plus a thesis, or a

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minimum of 51 credit hours without a thesis.

Either alternative requires the student select a field of concentration. The three choices available are accounting, management, or marketing.

All candidates for the M.B.A. degree must maintain a cumulative point average of 3.0, and pass a written comprehensive

examination. Students who write a thesis must also take an oral examination.

Faculty members of the school of business administration who will be in charge of the graduate program are, Dr. Dumitru Teodorescu, Chairman of the Business Organization Department, Dr. George L. Almond, Chairman of the Merchandising Department, and Prof. Richard M. Magner, Acting Chairman of the Accounting Department.

Other instructors in the program will be Dr. A. Ranger Curran, Dr. Donald Hovey, Dr. Mervin Kohn, Dr. T. R. Rama Krishnan, Dr. Virgil Lang, Dr. Clyde Painter, and Dr. Raymond Shuster.

Applicants to any graduate program at Youngstown State

University must submit a \$15 fee with their application. This fee is not refundable, whether or not the student is accepted into a program.

Tuition for full time students (12 q.h. or more) will be \$190 a quarter for Ohio residents and \$350 for non-residents. Part-time students will be charged \$15 a credit hour for residents, \$19 an hour for non-residents.

Dr. Frank A. D'Isa, Acting Dean of the Graduate School, suggests that seniors who are interested in either of these two programs refrain from making formal application pending accreditation. In the meantime, however, they should make that interest known to the appropriate department so that they may receive guidance concerning admission prerequisites.