Research Master
in Economics and Business

Be in charge of your own study programme!
Learning research by doing research
Are you up for a challenge?

Are you interested in solving complex societal challenges, like climate change, public health and poverty? Do you want to learn from the best researchers and interact with ambitious fellow students? Are you interested in a research career inside or outside academia? Are you highly motivated to initiate and perform innovative research? Then this is the programme for you.

In the research master programme in Economics & Business we offer talented and motivated students a tailor-made study programme. This programme gives you a solid foundation in economics and business, and you get the opportunity to specialize in the area that meets your personal interests.

The motto of the programme is “learning research by doing research”. The core courses give you a thorough training in all aspects of academic research (30EC), including philosophy of science, research methodology, and academic writing. For the largest part you can choose from a variety of dedicated research master courses in economics and business that meet your interest (60EC). Courses are generally small scale and offer close interaction with lecturers, enabling the development of important analytical skills. In addition, there are opportunities to participate in courses and workshops offered by other schools in Groningen, The Netherlands and abroad.

The master thesis (30 EC) allows you to further develop your research ideas under supervision of experienced researchers.

To guide you in your course selection we provide support and have developed example programmes in a variety of specializations, for example Leadership, Health management, Energy economics, and Operations management.

“Develop your analytical talent through small-scale education by experts”

Rian Drogendijk
director of graduate studies
Where do our graduates go?

Graduates with FEB’s ReMa degree are ideally positioned to obtain a PhD position. Since the start of the programme in 2004 66% continued with a PhD, not only in Groningen but also at other universities like Antwerp (Belgium), Bocconi (Milan, Italy), Sydney (Australia) and Oxford (UK). Several have obtained their PhD degree and are now working in academia, usually in the tenure track. Others have obtained a position in public or private organizations. They work for companies and organizations such as McKinsey, Shell, and the Dutch Central Bank.

The ReMa programme is an excellent preparation for any research oriented job.

“The Research Master challenges you to see the bigger picture, to explore new opportunities, and provides the tools with which to do so.”

Julia Toroi (left) and Ryan Marapin (right)
2nd year ReMa students

Programme structure

Year 1
15EC Research courses
10EC Research methods courses
35EC Electives

Year 2
5EC Research courses
25EC Electives
30EC Thesis

More information can be found on our website at www.rug.nl/masters/research-master-in-ecenomics-and-business-research
“Having done serious research sharpens your analytical skills and enables you to judge research results presented to you. It is important to be able to get to the heart of the issue, to know the limitations of every research and properly appreciate the results.”

Klaas Knot, President of the Dutch Central Bank and FEB Alumnus

### Key facts

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<th>Graduates since 2003</th>
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