



**M.A./M.S. in Applied Economics**  
**Electricity, Natural Gas, and Telecommunication Economics Sequence**

Department of Economics  
Example Plan of Study

Students selecting the **Electricity, Natural Gas, and Telecommunications Economics** sequence will be prepared for effective and successful careers as economists, analysts, and planners with firms in the natural gas, electric, and telecommunications industries. The option is also suitable for careers with governmental agencies responsible for regulating public utilities, consumer advocacy organizations, and firms providing consulting and ancillary services. Associated with the sequence is the *Institute for Regulatory Policy Studies*. The institute provides a key link between Illinois State University and the telecommunications, electric power, and natural gas industries.

This is a 34-credit hour sequence. The deadline for the Fall Semester with financial support consideration is **March 15**.

**First Academic Year**

**Fall Semester**

ECO 437	Fundamentals of Econometrics
ECO 440	Advanced Microeconomic Theory
ECO 434	Economics of Regulation and Antitrust

**Spring Semester**

ECO 438	Microeconometrics
ECO 441	Advanced Macroeconomic Theory
ECO 495	Graduate Research in Applied Economics

**Second Academic Year**

**Fall Semester**

ECO 439	Applied Time Series Econometrics and Forecasting
ECO 436	Seminar in Regulatory Policy
ECO 4XX	Economics Elective or Internship/Professional Practice

**2024 Spring Semester**

ECO 492	Graduate Readings in Economics
ECO 435	Public Utility Economics
ECO 4XX	Economics Elective