Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your inquiry about our Ph.D. program. The Ph.D. program at Clark University is a special one that offers individual attention and particular focus. We believe that our small size enables us to produce scholars in targeted areas of economics.

A copy of our application for admission to the Graduate School in Economics is available online, as is a description of our Ph.D. program. The application must be printed out and submitted in paper form. We cannot accept applications via the web or in facsimile form.

Your application should include the following, sent directly to the department:

1. An official transcript of your university course work to date from the registrar of each college you have attended.
2. Three letters of recommendation concerning your character and ability to do graduate work. We are particularly interested in references familiar with your prior work in economics and mathematics.
3. Official score reports for the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) and TOEFL (for international students). We cannot accept the on-line version of these exams.
4. An application fee of $60.00 (made payable to Clark University)

Scholarships are available for most students in the Ph.D. program. These awards provide full or partial tuition remission. A few Teaching Assistantships are also awarded which enable graduate students to gain experience in undergraduate instruction. TAs receive a cash stipend for part-time work. Preference in the awarding of Teaching Assistantships is given to students in their first three years of study. TAs are awarded on the basis of academic excellence and potential teaching ability. Typically there are about 10 students in an entering class, of which only up to 3 receive TAs. Because the competition depends on the applicant pool each year, it's not possible for us to comment on your probability of being accepted or being awarded a TA.

There is not a separate financial aid form or TA application. Please check the appropriate places on the bottom of the front page of the application. The application deadline is February 1st for the academic year beginning in August. We would appreciate it if all of your application materials arrive in one packet at one time.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions about the program. You may also call, or e-mail me at economics@clarku.edu.

Sincerely,
Jacqueline Geoghegan, Chair
Professor of Economics