

ECONOMICS MAJOR

The Bachelor of Arts in Economics provides a range of coursework in economics and related fields to prepare students for a wide range of careers in economics-related occupations.

Learning Goals and Outcomes

Goal 1: Students will understand how all issues in economics involve making choices in the context of scarcity.

Outcome 1.1: Students will be able to explain key concepts related to tradeoffs including opportunity cost and/or marginal decision-making of consumers and/or firms.

Goal 2: Students will understand how economic agents interact.

Outcome 2.1: Students will be able to explain the supply and/or demand model and/or how it is applied to input and/or output markets.

Goal 3: Students will understand important economic variables, how they are measured, and their relevance.

Outcome 3.1: Students will be able to define and explain key macroeconomic variables and/or how they affect the economy.

Goal 4: Students will understand how public policy impacts the economy.

Outcome 4.1: Students will be able to explain how policy affects the economy from micro and/or macroeconomic perspectives.

Requirements

Cornerstone Core Curriculum Requirements

Consist of 14 core and 2 overlay requirements. See below for additional detailed information on each of these requirements.

Code	Title	Hours
First Year Course Requirements		
ENG 101	Craft of Language	3
World History Course Area		3
Philosophy Requirements		
Either Level One or Level Two (but not both) – must be Ethics designated. If approved, philosophy courses may count for a student's Writing Intensive overlay. Students may not double-count the same course as Philosophy Level Two and as a Mission Overlay course.		
Philosophy Level One		3
Philosophy Level Two		3
Theology & Religious Studies Requirements		
If approved, Theology & Religious Studies courses may count for a student's Writing Intensive overlay. Students may not double-count the same course as CCC Theology and as a Mission Overlay course.		
Theology		3
Religious Studies		3
Diversity & INT 151 Requirements		

A student's Diversity course may not count for any other CCC course area requirement or as their Mission Overlay course. If approved, Diversity courses may count for a student's Writing Intensive Overlay requirement. INT 151 may not count for any other CCC requirements. This course must be taken in the first two years

Diversity		3
INT 151	Inequality in American Society	1
Math & Natural Science Requirements		
If approved, Math & Natural Science Requirements may count toward overlay requirements.		
Mathematics		3-4
Natural Science		4
Social Science Requirement		
If approved, such Social Science Requirement may count toward a student's overlay requirements.		
Non-Native Language Requirement		
A single Non-Native Language course may not count as an overlay course but a second language course fulfills a student's Mission Overlay requirement.		
Literature Requirement		
If approved, Literature courses may count toward a student's overlay requirements.		
Fine and Performing Arts, Creativity, and Design Requirement		
If approved, Fine and Performing Arts, Creativity, and Design courses may count toward a student's overlay requirements.		
Overlay Requirements		
Writing-Intensive		
If approved, Writing-Intensive courses may double count as major courses, minor courses, electives, or as any CCC course area requirement except for the first-year courses (World History and Rhetoric and Composition).		
Mission-Overlay		
Mission Overlay courses may double count as major courses, minor courses, elective courses, or any of the following CCC course areas: Fine and Performing Arts, Creativity, and Design, Literature, Mathematics, Natural Science, or Social Science.		
Total Hours		47-49

Major Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
ECN 101	Introductory Economics Micro (May be taken for CCC Social Science)	3
ECN 102	Introductory Economics Macro	3
ECN 290	Professional Prep Seminar	1
ECN 301	Microeconomic Theory	3
ECN 302	Macroeconomic Theory	3
Any six additional ECN 300/400-level economics courses^{1 2}		18
Statistics (may be taken for CCC Math Requirement)		3-4
MAT 118	Introduction to Statistics	
MAT 128	Applied Statistics	
MAT 148	Applied Statistics Plus	
MAT 322	Mathematical Statistics (does NOT meet CCC: Mathematics requirement)	

DSS 210	Business Statistics (does NOT meet CCC: Mathematics requirement)	
One Course from the Following Quantitative Course List:		3
Any ECN, MAT, CSC, DSC, DSS, or GIS course		
One Course from the Following:		3-4
Any Course in Languages & Linguistics		
Any Course in Social Sciences (POL, IR, HIS, SOC, PSY, ECN)		
THE 373	Economic Ethics	
PSY 127	Behavioral Economics	
Experiential Learning Requirement		0-4
Includes ECN491, ANS490, Service-Learning course, Study abroad, The Washington Center, Independent Study – research, Summer Scholars, Winter Immersion Program (WIP), or Honors Thesis.		
Total Hours		40-46

¹ MAT 311, MAT 322, DSC 424, DSC 425, DSS 420, DSS 435, DSS 470, FIN 201 and FIN 302 can be substituted for the above requirements at a maximum of two substitutions.

² For students completing ECN 410 Econometrics, only five (5) economics electives are required (in total).

Free Electives

Graduation requires 120 credits. Any credits necessary to reach that number outside of the CCC and major requirements are considered free electives.

Typical Course Sequence

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
Fall		
ECN 101 or ECN 102	Introductory Economics Micro or Introductory Economics Macro	3
PHL Level One		3
World History		3
Non-Native Language		3
Free Elective		3
Hours		15
Spring		
ECN 102 or ECN 101	Introductory Economics Macro or Introductory Economics Micro	3
DLL or Social Science (Major)		3-4
ENG 101	Craft of Language	3
PHL Level Two		3
Free Elective		3
INT 151	Inequality in American Society	1
Hours		16-17
Sophomore		
Fall		
ECN 301	Microeconomic Theory	3
Mathematics		3
Theology		3
ECN 290	Professional Prep Seminar	1
Free Elective		6
Hours		16
Spring		
ECN 302	Macroeconomic Theory	3
Literature		3
Natural Science		3-4

Free Electives		6
Hours		15-16
Junior		
Fall		
ECN 410	Econometrics	3
Religious Studies		3
Mission-Specific Overlay or Free Elective		3
Free Electives		6
Hours		15
Spring		
ECN Elective and/or Experiential Learning		3
Quantitative course (MAT/CSC/DSC/DSS/GIS/ECN) (major)		3
Diversity or Free Elective		3
Writing Intensive Overlay or Free Elective		3
Free Elective		3
Hours		15
Senior		
Fall		
ECN 410	Econometrics (or ECN Elective)	3
ECN Elective		6
Fine & Performing Arts, Design, & Creativity		
Free Electives		6
Hours		15
Spring		
ECN Electives		6
Free Electives		9
Hours		15
Total Hours		122-124