

Economics, B.S.

2023-24 Catalog

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This example plan is designed to provide a blueprint for students to complete their degrees within four years. It includes recommended sequences of courses. Individual plans will vary based on previously earned credit, such as Dual Enrollment and AP credit, as well as the student's academic goals. Students will work with an academic advisor to develop a more individualized plan to complete their degree.

This example four-year plan is applicable to students admitted during the 2023–24 academic year.

Total Credits Required: 120 credits

Required GPA for Graduation: 2.0 (institutional)

Courses requiring a C or better are denoted with an asterisk (*).

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Year 1							
Fall				Spring			
Course	Title	Hours	Area	Course	Title	Hours	Area
ECON 0001	First-Year Academic Seminar	1		ECON 2105	Principles of Macroeconomics (pre-req to ECON 3800 and 4340)	3	Е
ENGL 1101*	English Composition I (pre-req to ENGL 1102)	3	Α	ENGL 1102	English Composition II	3	Α
ECON 2106	Principles of Microeconomics (pre-req to ECON 3600)	3	Е	GC1Y 1000	Critical Thinking	3	В
Core Area E	Social Science (student's choice)	3	Е	MATH 1113*	Pre-Calculus (pre-req to MATH 1261 and 1401)	4	Α
Core Area D	Science with Lab (student's choice)	4	D	Core Area C	Humanities and Ethics (student's choice)	3	С
Semester Hours 14			Semester Hours		16		
Notes:	Area A and GC1Y 1000 must be completed by 30 earned hours. First-Year Seminar does not count toward 120 hours required for graduation. Students may alternatively take MATH 1001: Quantitative Reasoning, MATH 1101: Intro to Math Modeling, or MATH 1111: College Algebra to meet their Area A math requirement. In that case, they must also take MATH 1113 at a later time.						

Year 2								
Fall				Spring				
Course	Title	Hours	Area	Course	Title	Hours	Area	
ECON Elective	3000- or 4000-level ECON elective	3	Major	ECON Elective	3000- or 4000-level ECON elective	3	Major	
GC2Y 2000	Global Perspectives	4	В	MATH 1261	Calculus I	4	D	
MATH 1401	Elementary Statistics (pre-req to ECON 4340)	3	D	RHET 1110	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3	F	
CSCI 1000 or	Intro to Computer Science & Apps or	3	F	Gen Elective	Any general elective course	3	F	
CSCI 1301	Computer Science I				, ,			
Core Area C	Fine Arts (student's choice)	3	С	Gen Elective	Any general elective course	3	F	
Semester Hours 16				Semester Hours	16			
Students must have a GPA of 2.5 or higher in all ECON courses to satisfy graduation requirements. GC2Y 2000 must be taken between 30–59 earned hours. RHET 1110 may be substituted by PHIL 2010: Survey of Philosophy or PHIL 2020: Logic and Critical Thinking. Economics majors are encouraged to complete an optional concentration to satisfy elective hours, and to use elective hours to complete a second major or a minor field of study. General electives can be in any discipline and any level (1000–4999, unless specified as upper-level).								

Year 3							
	Fall	Spring					
Course	Title	Hours	Area	Course	Title	Hours	Area
ECON 3800	Intermediate Macroeconomics (pre-req to ECON 4990)	3	Major	ECON 3600	Intermediate Microeconomics (pre-req to ECON 4340 and 4990)	3	Major
ECON Elective	3000- or 4000-level ECON elective	3	Major	ECON Elective	3000- or 4000-level ECON elective	3	Major
Gen Elective	Any general elective course	3	F	Gen Elective	Any general elective course	3	Elective
Upper-Level Gen Elective	Any 3000- or 4000-level general elective class	3	F	Gen Elective	Any general elective course	3	Elective
Upper-Level Gen Elective	Any 3000- or 4000-level general elective class	4	Elective	Gen Elective	Any general elective course	3	Elective
	Semester Hours	16			Semester Hours	15	
Students must have a GPA of 2.5 or higher in all ECON courses to satisfy graduation requirements. Students planning graduate work in economics should take as many of the following MATH courses as their schedules allow: MATH 1262: Calculus II, MATH 2150: Linear Algebra, MATH 2263: Calculus III, and MATH 4340: Differential Equations.							

Year 4									
	Fall	Spring							
Course	Title	Hours	Area	Course	Title	Hours	Area		
ECON 4340	Introductory Econometrics (pre-req to ECON 4990)	3	Major	ECON 4990	Senior Seminar	3	Major		
ECON Elective	3000- or 4000-level ECON elective	3	•		3000- or 4000-level ECON elective	3	Major		
Gen Elective	Any general elective course	3	Elective	• •	Any 3000- or 4000-level general elective class	4	Elective		
Gen Elective	Any general elective course	3	Elective	Gen Elective	Any general elective course	3	Elective		
Gen Elective	Any general elective course	3	Elective						
Semester Hours 15				Semester Hours		13			
	Students must have a GPA of 2.5 or higher in all ECON courses to satisfy graduation requirements.								
Notes:	Successful completion of ECON 4990: Senior Seminar satisfies the exit exam requirement for economics majors.								
	General electives can be in any discipline and any level (1000–4999, unless specified as upper-level).								

Legend						
Area	This section of the plan references the area of the curriculum the course fulfills.					
Α	Core Area A: Essential Skills					
В	Core Area B: Institutional Options					
С	Core Area C: Humanities, Ethics, and Fine Arts					
D	Core Area D: Science, Technology, and Math					
Е	Core Area E: Social Sciences					
F	Core Area F: Major Directed Core Requirements					
Major	Economics Major Requirements					
Course(s) a student selects. Hours are needed to meet overall graduation hours. Number of electives varies per m						
Elective	Electives can be used towards GC Journeys, minors, or professional/graduate school pre-requisites, or to take courses of					
	interest.					