

# BA in Economics

## Degree Program Description

Economics is a broad discipline that explores the factors that determine production, distribution, and consumption of resources. An Economics degree provides a good foundation on how the economy and the world works and an understanding of the effects of policy issues. The BA degree is designed for students who plan to continue their education in non-economics fields and for students who plan to seek employment after graduation. Post-graduate educational alternatives include law school or programs in the business school, political science and journalism. Graduates in Economics enter a diverse field of jobs in government, banking, insurance or other financial sectors, private sector businesses or even open their own businesses. Frequently, students in humanities or fine arts complete a BA in Economics as a second major in order to increase their employment potential.

## Major Program Requirements

Students must earn a grade of C- or higher in all Economics, Mathematics and Statistics courses, and must have at least a 2.0 GPA in Economics courses to earn the degree. In addition to University (<https://catalog.missouri.edu/academicdegreerequirements/universityrequirements/>), general education (<https://catalog.missouri.edu/academicdegreerequirements/generaleducationrequirements/>), and College of Arts and Science (<https://catalog.missouri.edu/collegeofartsandscience/#undergraduatetext>) requirements, students must also meet the following major program requirements. All major requirements in the College of Arts and Science must be completed with grades of C- or higher unless otherwise indicated.

## Major Core Requirements

### Required Economics Coursework

ECONOM 1014	Principles of Microeconomics	3
ECONOM 1015	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
ECONOM 3271	Introduction to Applied Econometric Practice	3
ECONOM 3251	Managerial Economics	3
ECONOM 3229	Money, Banking and Financial Markets	3

## Economics Electives

Students must complete at least five (15 hours) Economics electives, with at least two courses (6 hours) at the 4000- level. Students who double or dual major will be eligible to waive one 3000- level Economics Elective course.

One 3000+ level Economics course (3 hours) must be Writing Intensive. If a student is a double or dual major, we will allow a Writing Intensive taken in the other major to fulfill the Economics major Writing Intensive requirement. The student must still complete the minimum number of Economics electives.

## Semester Plan

Below is a sample plan of study, semester by semester. A student's actual plan will vary based on course choices where options are available.

First Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
ECONOM 1014 ( )		3 ECONOM 1015	3
Math and Quantitative Reasoning		3 ENGLISH 1000	3
Second Language Requirement		4 Second Language Requirement	4
Humanities		3 Second major, minor, certificate, or elective	3
Second major, minor, certificate, or elective		3 Second major, minor, certificate, or elective	2
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Second Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
ECONOM 3251		3 ECONOM 3229	3
Second Language Requirement		4 ECONOM 3271	3
Social Science, 2000+ level		3 Missouri State Law Requirement: Social Science from Arts and Science	3
Second major, minor, certificate, or elective		3 Biological or Physical Science Lab	4
Second major, minor, certificate, or elective		2 Humanities from Arts and Science	3
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Third Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
ECONOM, 3000+ level		3 ECONOM, 4000- level	3
Behavioral Science from Arts and Science		3 Humanities, 2000+ level	3
Social Science		3 Biological, Physical or Mathematical Science	3
Humanities		3 Second major, minor, certificate, or elective	3
First Writing Intensive		3 Second major, minor, certificate, or elective	2
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Fourth Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
ECONOM, 3000+ level Writing Intensive		3 ECONOM, 4000- level	3
ECONOM, 3000+ level		3 Behavioral Science, 2000+ level	3
Biological, Physical or Mathematical Science		2 Second major, minor, certificate, or elective	3
Second major, minor, certificate, or elective		3 Second major, minor, certificate, or elective	3
Second major, minor, certificate, or elective		3 Second major, minor, certificate, or elective	3
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<b>Total Credits: 120</b>			