

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN ECONOMICS

A student can earn either a Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Economics through the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences or a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (BS in BA) in Business Economics (<http://ysu-preview.courseleaf.com/undergraduate/colleges-programs/college-business-administration/business-economics>) through the Williamson College of Business Administration. Either degree may be earned in eight semesters if students average 15 hours per semester.

The economics major is designed to prepare students for careers both in the public and private sectors and for additional study in the field of economics. Economics graduates are qualified for a wide variety of positions in the financial sector and jobs in business and government. Students frequently use a major in economics as preparation for law school. Graduates choosing to pursue additional study in economics have been very successful in gaining admission to graduate and doctoral programs.

To earn the BA degree, the student must satisfy all the degree requirements in the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences and take 32 semester hours of coursework from the Department of Economics.

COURSE	TITLE	S.H.
General Education Requirements		
Core Competencies		9
ENGL 1550	Writing 1	
ENGL 1551	Writing 2	
CMST 1545	Communication Foundations	
Mathematics Requirement		4
MATH 1552	Applied Mathematics for Management	
or MATH 1570	Applied Calculus 1	
or MATH 1571	Calculus 1	
Arts and Humanities		6
Natural Sciences (2 courses, 1 lab)		7
Social Science		6
Social Science requirement satisfied by ECON 2610 and ECON 2630		
Social and Personal Awareness		6
General Education Elective / First-Year Experience		3
Foreign Language Requirement		8
Foreign Language 1550		
Foreign Language 2600		
Minor (or double major) minimum of 18 s.h.		18
Major Requirements		
Economics courses at the 1500 level cannot be counted towards the major.		
In addition to the required courses below, students must take 12 hours of upper-division Economics electives.		
ECON 2610	Principles 1: Microeconomics	3
ECON 2630	Principles 2: Macroeconomics	3
ECON 3710	Intermediate Microeconomic Theory	3
ECON 3712	Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory	3
ECON 3790	Statistics for Business and Economics	5
ECON 4880	Analysis of Economic Problems	3

All students must complete a 120 semester hours, 48 hours must be upper-division (courses at the 3700 level or higher)

Students intending to apply for PhD programs in economics should consider taking the following:

COURSE	TITLE	S.H.
MATH 1571	Calculus 1	4
MATH 1572	Calculus 2	4
MATH 2673	Calculus 3	4
MATH 3720	Linear Algebra and Matrix Theory	3

NOTE: This schedule is intended solely to illustrate that it is possible for a "typical" student to complete the BA in Economics in four years. The coursework any individual student needs to take will differ. Specifically, the coursework required will vary depending on the mathematics courses you have already taken when you start the degree. Some students will need to take additional courses prior to taking MATH 1510 College Algebra while other students may have already taken a course in calculus and would not need to take either MATH 1510 College Algebra or MATH 1552 Applied Mathematics for Management. The coursework taken will also depend on a student's career goals. It is extremely important that you meet with an advisor to discuss your career aspirations and which courses you personally will need to take.

Course	Title	S.H.
Year 1		
Fall		
ENGL 1550	Writing 1	3
MATH 1510	College Algebra	4
Natural Science and Lab (Gen Ed)		4
First-Year Experience		3
Semester Hours		14
Spring		
ECON 2610	Principles 1: Microeconomics (fulfills the General Education Social Science requirement)	3
MATH 1552	Applied Mathematics for Management (Required for major, students intending to pursue graduate work should take MATH 1571)	4
ENGL 1551	Writing 2	3
CMST 1545	Communication Foundations	3
Social and Personal Awareness (Ged Ed)		3
Semester Hours		16
Year 2		
Fall		
ECON 2630	Principles 2: Macroeconomics (fulfills the General Education Social Science requirement)	3
ECON 3790	Statistics for Business and Economics (Required for major)	5
Natural Science (Gen Ed)		3
Foreign Language 1550		4
Semester Hours		15
Spring		
ECON 3710	Intermediate Microeconomic Theory (Required for major)	3
Minor (Required for minor)		3
Minor (Required for minor)		3
Foreign Language 2600		4
Arts and Humanities (Gen Ed)		3
Semester Hours		16
Year 3		
Fall		
ECON 3712	Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory (Required for major)	3
Minor (Required for minor)		3

