

Economics (BA)

Total Hours Required: 120

Plan of Study

The Plan of Study is a suggested four-year course sequence to support academic planning and serves as a helpful guide. Currently enrolled students should meet with their academic advisor to tailor their course selections and timelines to their individual goals and circumstances.

Course	Title	Hours
Year 1		
Semester 1		
ECO 304K	Introduction to Microeconomics	3
Hours chosen from:		4
M 408K	Differential Calculus	
M 408N	Differential Calculus for Science	
M 408C	Differential and Integral Calculus	
RHE 306	Rhetoric and Writing	3
Visual and Performing Arts (050)		3
First-Year Signature Course (090)		3
Hours		16
Semester 2		
ECO 304L	Introduction to Macroeconomics	3
Hours chosen from:		4
M 408L	Integral Calculus	
M 408S	Integral Calculus for Science	
M 408D	Sequences, Series, and Multivariable Calculus	
Natural Science and Technology, Part I (030)		3
U.S. History (060)		3
Humanities (040)		3
Hours		16
Year 2		
Semester 1		
ECO 329	Economic Statistics	3
Natural Science and Technology, Part I (030)		3
U.S. History (060)		3
Foreign Language other than English, Beginning Proficiency		6
Hours		15
Semester 2		
ECO 420K	Microeconomic Theory	4
Natural Science and Technology, Part II (093)		3
Foreign Language other than English, Intermediate Proficiency		6
ECO 101S	Professional Development and Career Planning	1
Hours		14
Year 3		
Semester 1		
ECO 441K	Introduction to Econometrics	4
Minor/Certificate course		3
Cultural Expression, Human Experience, and Thought (may not also be counted toward Core Curriculum)		3
Foreign Language other than English, Intermediate Proficiency		6
Hours		16
Semester 2		
ECO 320L	Macroeconomic Theory	3
Minor/Certificate course		3
Minor/Certificate course		3
Free Elective		4
Hours		13
Year 4		
Semester 1		
Hours chosen from: Upper-division ECO		3
Hours chosen from: Upper-division ECO		3

Hours chosen from: Upper-division ECO (with ECO 420K prerequisite)	3
Upper-division Minor/Certificate course	3
American and Texas Government (070)	3
Hours	15
Semester 2	
Hours chosen from: Upper-division ECO (with ECO 420K prerequisite)	3
Upper-division Minor/Certificate course	3
Upper-division Minor/Certificate course	3
American and Texas Government (070)	3
Free Elective	3
Hours	15
Total Hours	120

Requirements

All requirements are listed below, starting with the most specialized moving to the most general. Additional requirements may follow the table, so be sure to read the entire page. Some required courses listed below may also satisfy [General Education](#) requirements, including [Core Curriculum](#).

Code	Title	Hours
Major		
ECO 304K	Introduction to Microeconomics	3
ECO 304L	Introduction to Macroeconomics	3
ECO 420K	Microeconomic Theory (must be completed in residence)	4
ECO 420S	Mathematical Microeconomic Theory with Advanced Applications	4
ECO 320L	Macroeconomic Theory (must be completed in residence)	3
ECO 329	Economic Statistics (must be completed in residence)	3
Hours chosen from:		3
ECO 341K	Introduction to Econometrics (must be completed in residence)	
ECO 441K	Introduction to Econometrics (must be completed in residence)	
ECO 101S	Professional Development and Career Planning	1
Hours chosen from:		
List A or B Electives (see course list tab)		6
List A, B, or C Electives (see course list tab)		6
Subtotal		48
Degree (see details below)		51
Free electives: Additional coursework to reach total hours required.		0
Subtotal		51
General Education		
Remaining Core Curriculum (42 hours total)		21
Foreign Language other than English, Beginning Proficiency		
Subtotal		21
College Requirements - Liberal Arts		
General University Requirements		
Total Hours		120

Additional Requirements

All economics majors must earn a grade of at least C- in each course counted toward fulfillment of the major requirements. A minimum grade point average of at least 2.00 in all courses taken at the University and counted toward the major is also required.

No student may register for more than 11 semester hours of economics in any one semester without approval of an undergraduate advisor in the Department of Economics.

All economics majors must earn a grade of at least C- in M 408Q or grades of at least C- in M 408K and M 408L. The following combinations of courses alternatively satisfy the math requirement, with a grade of at least a C- in each course:

Code	Title	Hours
M X08C & M X08D	Differential and Integral Calculus and Sequences, Series, and Multivariable Calculus	8
M X08N & M X08S	Differential Calculus for Science and Integral Calculus for Science	8
M X08K & M X08S	Differential Calculus and Integral Calculus for Science	8
M X08C & M X08L	Differential and Integral Calculus and Integral Calculus	8
M X08C & M X08S	Differential and Integral Calculus and Integral Calculus for Science	8
M X08R & M X08L	Differential and Integral Calculus for the Sciences and Integral Calculus	8
M X08R & M X08S	Differential and Integral Calculus for the Sciences and Integral Calculus for Science	8
M X08N & M X08L	Differential Calculus for Science and Integral Calculus	8

M 403K and M 403L (and transfer equivalents) may not be substituted for required mathematics courses. M 408Q and M 408R must be taken in residence. A student may not earn both the Bachelor of Arts with a major in Economics and the Bachelor of Science in Economics.

Degree - Bachelor of Arts (BA) - Liberal Arts

Code	Title	Hours
Degree		
<i>Literature and Writing</i>		
RHE 306	Rhetoric and Writing (Plan II honors requires at least a C-; may also count toward Core Curriculum)	3
Hours chosen from: <u>Writing intensive coursework-see course list</u> (may also count toward Core Curriculum; Plan II honors requires at least a C-)		3
Hours chosen from: Upper-division <u>Writing intensive coursework-see course list</u> (may also count toward Core Curriculum; Plan II honors requires at least a C-)		6
Choose a sequence below:		12
Sequence 1: Plan II Honors (requires at least a C-; may also count toward Core Curriculum)		
E 303C or T C 303C	Plan II World Literature Part I	
Sequence 2: Plan I		
E 316L or E 316M or E 316N	British Literature American Literature World Literature	
<u>Foreign Language other than English, Intermediate Proficiency</u>		3
<i>Choose a sequence below: Social Science</i>		3
Sequence 1: Plan II Honors (requires at least a C-; may also count toward Core Curriculum)		
S S 302C or S S 302D	Honors Social Science: Methods and Theory Honors Social Science: Psychology	

or S S 302E Honors Social Science: Anthropology or S S 302E Honors Social Science: Anthropology or S S 302F Honors Social Science: Economics	
Sequence 2: Plan I	
<u>Additional Social Science (may not also be counted toward Core Curriculum)</u>	
<i>Mathematics</i>	
Choose a sequence below: (M 301, M 316K, and M 316L do not count toward this requirement)	
Sequence 1: Plan II Honors	
M 310P	Modern Mathematics: Plan II
Sequence 2: Plan I	
Hours chosen from: Mathematics	
<i>Choose a sequence below:</i>	
Sequence 1: Plan II Honors	
T C 310 or PHL 313Q	Modes of Reasoning Logic and Scientific Reasoning
Sequence 2: Plan I	
<u>Cultural Expression, Human Experience, and Thought (may not also be counted toward Core Curriculum)</u>	
<i>Choose a sequence below:</i>	
Sequence 1: Plan II Honors	
Six Hours chosen from: Astronomy, biology, chemistry, geological sciences, physical science, or physics (may also count toward Core Curriculum)	
BIO 301E	Problems in Modern Biology
PHY 321	Modern Physics: Plan II
Three Hours chosen from:	
Art history, music history, or history of theatre and dance Upper-division classical civilization, humanities, literature, or philosophy	
Sequence 2: Plan I International Relations and Global Studies	
Free electives: Additional coursework to reach total hours required.	
Sequence 3: Other Plan I	
Hours chosen from:	
<u>Transcript-recognized minor or certificate</u>	
Liberal Arts multi-disciplinary minor in the Social and Behavioral Sciences	
Liberal Arts multi-disciplinary minor in Cultural Expression, Human Experience, and Thought	
Total Hours	
51	

Additional Requirements and Policies

Unless otherwise stated, students must complete at least:

- 15 upper-division degree hours
- 24 upper-division degree hours taken in residence at the University
- 36 additional degree hours taken in residence at the University.

Credit may be earned via credit by examination, extension, or transferred hours from another institution (requires dean's approval).

Major and minor required hours may also be used to fulfill degree requirements unless expressly prohibited.

A course in one degree area may not also be used to fulfill the requirements of another degree area unless specified otherwise.

Mathematics courses at the college algebra level may not count toward elective hours.

Majors

A major consists of 24 to 45 hours, with at least 15 upper-division hours unless the requirements of the major state otherwise.

Students must earn at least:

- 18 major hours taken in residence at the University.
- 6 upper-division major hours taken in residence at the University
- a 2.00 grade point average for in-residence major hours taken at the University unless a higher minimum scholastic requirement is specified for the major.

Minors

Students must get permission from their College of Liberal Arts academic advisor to pursue more than one transcript-recognized minor or certificate per major. The academic advisor will approve or deny the request after considering the student's long-term educational and professional goals and the student's ability to graduate within 4 years of entering the University.

Students should consult the department offering the course before planning to use it to fulfill the minor requirement.

Hours used to fulfill the requirements for a minor must be taken on the letter-grade basis.

See [University Minor and Certificate policies here](#).

List A, Advanced Economics Electives

Code	Title	Hours
ECO 336M	Economics of Auctions	3
ECO 342L	Advanced Econometrics	3
ECO 348K	Advanced Topics in Econometrics	3
ECO 343K	Causal Inference	3
ECO 350K	Advanced Topics in Economics	3
ECO 350L	Advanced Macroeconomics	3
ECO 351M	Managerial Economics	3
ECO 353M	Empirical Public Economics	3
ECO 354K	Introductory Game Theory	3
ECO 358R	Supervised Research	3
ECO 363C	Computational Economics	3
ECO 369F	Financial Economics	3

List B, Advanced or Intermediate Economics

Code	Title	Hours
ECO 321	Public Economics	3
ECO 322	Money and Banking	3
ECO 324	Introduction to Labor Economics	3
ECO 325K	Health Economics	3
ECO 326L	Economics of Education	3
ECO 328	Industrial Organization	3
ECO 333K	Development Economics	3
ECO 333L	Development and Population	3
ECO 334K	Urban Economics	3
ECO 334L	Regional Economics	3
ECO 334M	Migration Economics and Policy	3

ECO 335K	Energy Economics	3
ECO 339K	International Trade and Investment	3
ECO 339L	International Finance	3
ECO 342M	Applied Econometrics and Data Analysis	3
ECO 351K	Current Issues in Business Economics	3
ECO 351N	Economic Principles of Managerial Decisions	3
ECO 352K	Business Strategy	3
ECO 352R	Economics of Entrepreneurship	3
ECO 353K	Antitrust Law and Economics	3
ECO 359M	Environmental and Natural Resource Economics	3
ECO 367R	Monetary Economics	3
ECO 376N	Personnel Economics	3

List C, Additional Economics Electives

Code	Title	Hours
ECO 323L	Political Economy	3
ECO 325L	Economics of Health	3
ECO 327	Comparative Economic Systems	3
ECO 330T	Topics in Economics	3
ECO 354M	Experimental Economics	3
ECO 355	Development Problems and Policies in Latin America	3
ECO 368	Survey of the History of Economic Thought	3
ECO 370E	Economics of Gender, Race, and Ethnicity	3
ECO 370M	Behavioral Economics	3
ECO 371M	Social Economics: Outside the Market	3

Complete course lists are on our website at <https://liberalarts.utexas.edu/economics/undergraduate-program/degree-requirement>