

Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science in Economics

The Department of Economics offers an undergraduate major leading to a bachelor's degree. Undergraduate courses in economics provide broad knowledge of the field as a part of the program of liberal education offered by the College of Arts and Sciences. They also lay a solid foundation in economics to students interested in professional graduate training in economics or in careers in business, law, government, or journalism.

For more detailed information, students are encouraged to visit the department website.

Bachelor of Arts Degree Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
EC 201 & EC 202	Introduction to Economic Analysis: Microeconomics and Introduction to Economic Analysis: Macroeconomics ¹	8
MATH 241–242 or MATH 251–252 or MATH 261–262	Calculus for Business and Social Science I-II ¹	8
MATH 243	Introduction to Methods of Probability and Statistics ¹	4
EC 311 & EC 313	Intermediate Microeconomic Theory and Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory ^{2,3,4}	8
EC 320 & EC 421 or EC 423–424	Introduction to Econometrics and Introduction to Econometrics ^{2,3}	8
Economics courses numbered 300 or above ^{3,5}		28

- ¹ Should be completed by the end of the sophomore year.
- ² Should be completed by the end of the junior year.
- ³ At least 28 of the 44 required upper-division credits required for the major (i.e., EC 311 Intermediate Microeconomic Theory, EC 313 Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory, EC 320 Introduction to Econometrics, EC 421 Introduction to Econometrics, and the 28 required field course credits) must be taken at the University of Oregon
- ⁴ Students cannot receive credit for both EC 311 and FIN 311.
- ⁵ At least 20 credits in courses numbered 400 or above. No more than 8 of the 28 credits may be in courses numbered 401, 404, 405, 407, or 408; no more than 2 credits in course numbered 407 may count toward the 8 of the 28 credits.

Grades of C– or better in courses taken to satisfy major requirements.

Bachelor of Science Degree Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
EC 201 & EC 202	Introduction to Economic Analysis: Microeconomics and Introduction to Economic Analysis: Macroeconomics ¹	8
MATH 241–242 or MATH 251–252 or MATH 261–262	Calculus for Business and Social Science I-II ¹	8
MATH 243	Introduction to Methods of Probability and Statistics ¹	4
EC 311 & EC 313	Intermediate Microeconomic Theory and Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory ^{2,3,4}	8
EC 320 & EC 421 or EC 423–424	Introduction to Econometrics and Introduction to Econometrics ^{2,3}	8
Economics courses numbered 300 or above ^{3,5}		28

- ¹ Should be completed by the end of the sophomore year.
- ² Should be completed by the end of the junior year.
- ³ At least 28 of the 44 required upper-division credits required for the major (i.e., EC 311 Intermediate Microeconomic Theory, EC 313 Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory, EC 320 Introduction to Econometrics, EC 421 Introduction to Econometrics, and the 28 required field course credits) must be taken at the University of Oregon
- ⁴ Students cannot receive credit for both EC 311 and FIN 311.
- ⁵ At least 20 credits in courses numbered 400 or above. No more than 8 of the 28 credits may be in courses numbered 401, 404, 405, 407, or 408; no more than 2 credits in course numbered 407 may count toward the 8 of the 28 credits.

Grades of C– or better in courses taken to satisfy major requirements.

Courses Offered Pass/No Pass Only

Code	Title	Credits
EC 401	Research: [Topic]	1-21
EC 404	Internship	1-4
EC 405	Reading and Conference: [Topic]	1-21
EC 408	Workshop: [Topic]	1-21

EC 320 Introduction to Econometrics (or EC 423 Econometrics) is a prerequisite for almost all 400-level courses. EC 311 Intermediate Microeconomic Theory and sometimes EC 313 Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory are as well. Because MATH 242 Calculus for Business and Social Science II and MATH 243 Introduction to Methods of Probability and Statistics are prerequisites for EC 320 Introduction to Econometrics, it is important for students to take those courses early. See the course listings for details on prerequisites.

Professional Concentrations

Given the breadth of a degree in economics, students have the opportunity to choose one or more professional concentrations that are

consistent with their career goals. Suggested course work for seven professional concentrations is described below. Sample programs for each concentration, descriptions of career possibilities, and recommendations for additional preparation are available in the Academic Support Office or with any economics advisor.

Please note, these concentrations represent suggested guides to a potential path through the economics major. Students need not “declare” a concentration, and a chosen concentration will not appear on any transcripts or graduation material. They are intended to be useful in helping select courses that will most likely match student interests.

Business Economics—Banking and Finance

1. Complete major requirements including

Code	Title	Credits
EC 370	Money and Banking	4
or EC 470	Monetary Policy	
or EC 471	Monetary Theory	
EC 360	Issues in Industrial Organization	4
or EC 460	Theories of Industrial Organization	
or EC 484	Multinational Corporations	
EC 380	International Economic Issues	4
or EC 480	International Finance	
or EC 481	International Trade	
or EC 482	Economics of Globalization	

2. Complete a minor or approved equivalent in business administration

Business Economics—Management, Marketing, and Accounting

1. Complete major requirements including

Code	Title	Credits
EC 350	Labor Market Issues	4
or EC 450	Labor Economics	
EC 430	Urban and Regional Economics	4
or EC 432	Economy of the Pacific Northwest	
or EC 440	Public Economics	
EC 360	Issues in Industrial Organization	4
or EC 460	Theories of Industrial Organization	
or EC 484	Multinational Corporations	

2. Complete a minor or approved equivalent in business administration

Economics and Public Policy and Administration

1. Complete major requirements including

Code	Title	Credits
EC 340	Issues in Public Economics	4
or EC 440	Public Economics	
EC 430	Urban and Regional Economics	4
or EC 432	Economy of the Pacific Northwest	
or EC 462	Economics of Transportation	
EC 360	Issues in Industrial Organization	4
or EC 441	Public Economics: Taxation	
or EC 460	Theories of Industrial Organization	
or EC 484	Multinational Corporations	

EC 350	Labor Market Issues	4
or EC 450	Labor Economics	

2. Complete a minor or equivalent in political science or planning, public policy and management

Environmental Economics

1. Complete major requirements including

Code	Title	Credits
EC 333	Resource and Environmental Economic Issues	4
EC 340	Issues in Public Economics	4
or EC 440	Public Economics	
EC 434	Environmental Economics	4
or EC 435	Natural Resource Economics	

2. Complete the environmental studies minor or an approved equivalent

Graduate Preparation in Economics and Mathematical Economics

1. Complete major requirements including

Code	Title	Credits
EC 411	Advanced Microeconomic Theory	4
or EC 413	Advanced Macroeconomic Theory	
MATH 251–252	Calculus I-II	8
or MATH 261–Calculus with Theory I-II 262		
EC 423 & EC 424	Econometrics and Econometrics	8
EC 427	Games and Decisions	4
or EC 428	Behavioral and Experimental Economics	

2. Complete a minor in mathematics

International and Development Economics

1. Complete major requirements including

Code	Title	Credits
EC 480 & EC 481	International Finance and International Trade	8
EC 390	Problems and Issues in the Developing Economies	4
or EC 490	Economic Growth and Development	
or EC 491	Issues in Economic Growth and Development	
EC 360	Issues in Industrial Organization	4
or EC 460	Theories of Industrial Organization	
or EC 484	Multinational Corporations	
EC 370	Money and Banking	4
or EC 470	Monetary Policy	
or EC 471	Monetary Theory	
or EC 482	Economics of Globalization	

2. Complete a minor or the equivalent in business administration, political science, history, international studies, or an area studies program

Law and Economics and Political Economy

1. Complete major requirements including

Code	Title	Credits
EC 340	Issues in Public Economics	4
or EC 440	Public Economics	
EC 350	Labor Market Issues	4
or EC 450	Labor Economics	
EC 360	Issues in Industrial Organization	4
or EC 460	Theories of Industrial Organization	
or EC 484	Multinational Corporations	
EC 441	Public Economics: Taxation	4
or EC 448	Political Economy	
EC 427	Games and Decisions	4

2. Complete a minor or equivalent in political science