

# ECONOMICS

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Economics is the study of the production and distribution of material wealth. This study offers an understanding of the market and non-market institutions—and their historical evolution—that govern such production and distribution at the local, national and global levels. Students examine how individual markets for products, labor and finance work, and why they function well or poorly in part and in whole. They analyze economic structural changes and learn theories of business cycles, as well as investigate the choices and consequences of government policy alternatives. The Economics major can prepare students for a variety of careers in business, banking, government, and education. Economists hold positions in private industry and government as leaders, consultants, or advisors. Economics is also a good major for students who are interested in pursuing advanced degrees in Law, Business, International Studies, and, of course, Economics.

## Economics

### Bachelor of Arts Major Requirements

(183 credits required for the degree (<http://bulletin.du.edu/undergraduate/undergraduateprograms/traditionalbachelorsprogram/bachelorofarts>))

44 credits, including the following:

Code	Title	Credits
ECON 1020	Introduction to Micro- and Macroeconomics I: History and Theories	4
ECON 1030	Introduction to Micro- and Macroeconomics II: Theories and Policies	4
ECON 2020	Intermediate Microeconomics	4
ECON 2030	Intermediate Macroeconomics	4
ECON 2050	History of Economic Thought	4
ECON 2670	Quantitative Methods	4
A minimum of five other upper-division courses (2000 or 3000 level) of which one must be at the 3000 level*		20
Total Credits		44

\* Elective courses should be chosen in consultation with an advisor.

## SECONDARY MAJOR

44 credits. Same requirements as for the BA degree.

## Minor Requirements

20 credits, including the following:

Code	Title	Credits
ECON 1020	Introduction to Micro- and Macroeconomics I: History and Theories	4
ECON 1030	Introduction to Micro- and Macroeconomics II: Theories and Policies	4
ECON 2020	Intermediate Microeconomics	4
or ECON 2030	Intermediate Macroeconomics	4
At least 2 upper-division courses (2000 or 3000 level)		8
Total Credits		20

## Requirements for Distinction in the Major in Economics

- Minimum 3.5 cumulative GPA
- Minimum 3.75 major GPA
- Of the five electives, two must be at the 3000-level
- Completion of ECON 3997 Economics Honors Thesis (4 credits)
- Total of 48 credits

## BA in Economics

The following course plan is a sample quarter-by-quarter schedule for intended majors. Because the bachelor of arts (<http://bulletin.du.edu/undergraduate/undergraduateprograms/traditionalbachelorsprogram/bachelorofarts>) curriculum allows for tremendous flexibility, this is only intended as an example; that is to say, if specific courses or requirements are not available in a given term, students can generally complete those requirements in another term. More importantly, students should focus on exploring areas of interest, including Common Curriculum requirements and possible minors or second majors, and maintaining a course load which will allow for completion of the degree within four years.

Ideally, Common Curriculum (<http://bulletin.du.edu/undergraduate/undergraduateprograms/traditionalbachelorsprogram/degreesanddegreerequirements>) requirements other than Advanced Seminar should be completed during the first two years. Students should anticipate taking an average course load of 16 credits each quarter.

Ways of Knowing courses in the areas of Analytical Inquiry: Society and Culture (<http://bulletin.du.edu/undergraduate/undergraduateprograms/traditionalbachelorsprogram/selectingadegreeprogram/courseplans/ai-society-courses>) and Scientific Inquiry: Society and Culture (<http://bulletin.du.edu/undergraduate/undergraduateprograms/traditionalbachelorsprogram/selectingadegreeprogram/courseplans/si-society-courses>) introduce students to University-level study of disciplines in the arts, humanities and social sciences. Credits earned in Ways of Knowing courses may also apply to a major or minor.

The sample course plan below shows what courses a student pursuing this major might take in their first two years; beyond that, students should anticipate working closely with their major advisor to create a course of study to complete the degree.

### First Year

Fall	Credits Winter	Credits Spring	Credits
FSEM 1111	4 WRIT 1122	4 WRIT 1133	4
Foreign Language or Scientific Inquiry: The Natural and Physical World	4 Foreign Language or Scientific Inquiry: The Natural and Physical World	4 Foreign Language or Scientific Inquiry: The Natural and Physical World	4
Analytical Inquiry: Society and Culture or Analytical Inquiry: Natural and Physical World	4 Analytical Inquiry: Society and Culture or Analytical Inquiry: Natural and Physical World	4 Analytical Inquiry: Natural and Physical Word or Analytical Inquiry: Society and Culture	4
ECON 1020	4 ECON 1030	4 Upper-Division ECON Course	4
	16	16	16

### Second Year

Fall	Credits Winter	Credits Spring	Credits
Scientific Inquiry: The Natural and Physical World or Foreign Language	4 Scientific Inquiry: The Natural and Physical World or Foreign Language	4 Scientific Inquiry: The Natural and Physical World or Foreign Language	4
ECON 2020	4 ECON 2030	4 ECON 2050 (or other Upper-Division ECON Course)	4
Scientific Inquiry: Society and Culture	4 Scientific Inquiry: Society and Culture	4 ECON 2670 (or other Upper-Division ECON Course)	4
Upper-Division ECON Course	4 Upper-Division ECON Course	4 Minor or Elective	4
INTZ 2501 <sup>1</sup>	2		
	18	16	16

Total Credits: 98

<sup>1</sup> INTZ 2501 is required for any student who studies abroad, and may be taken in any quarter within the year prior to studying abroad.