
ECONOMICS BA SAMPLE PROGRAM

This sample program suggests one way to navigate the curriculum in four years. You are not required to take every course in the semester indicated. Many equivalent patterns are possible.

FIRST YEAR – FALL SEMESTER

ECON 201* – Principles of Microeconomics (3)

MATH 192** – Essentials of Calculus (4) or
MATH 198** – Analytic Geometry and Calculus I (5)

ENG 190 – Writing as Critical Thinking (3)

Elementary Language (3-4)

INDV 101 - Truman Transformation (1)

FIRST YEAR – SPRING SEMESTER

ECON 200* - Principles of Macroeconomics (3)

COMM 170 - Public Speaking (3)

STAT 190*** – Basic Statistics (3) or
STAT 290*** – Statistics (3)

Elementary Language (3-4)

Personal Well-Being Essential Skills Requirement (2)

TOTAL CREDITS FIRST YEAR: 28-31

* Students may also take ECON 205 – Principles of Economics (5), which satisfies both ECON 200 and ECON 201 requirements, and can be taken either semester. Additionally, any one of these courses fulfills the Social Scientific Mode requirement.

** Either course fulfills the Mathematical Mode of Inquiry and the Elementary Functions Essential Skills requirement. Students must take a placement test before being allowed to register, and students who place into lower-level math classes must use either MATH 156 - College Algebra & MATH 157 - Plane Trigonometry (together), or MATH 186 – Pre-calculus to satisfy the Elementary Functions Essential Skills requirement. These students subsequently then need to take MATH 192 or MATH 198 to fulfill the Mathematical Mode requirement, as well as the major requirement.

***MATH 263 – Analytic Geometry and Calculus II is a prerequisite for STAT 290 and must be taken before STAT 290. Well prepared students should consider taking STAT 290 instead of STAT 190.

SECOND YEAR – FALL SEMESTER

ECON 300 – Intermediate Microeconomics (3)

ECON 210* – New Majors Seminar (3)

Qualitative Mode of Inquiry course (3-4)

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Intermediate Language*** (3-4)

SECOND YEAR – SPRING SEMESTER

ECON 303 – Intermediate Macroeconomics (3)

Quantitative Mode of Inquiry course** (3-5)

Qualitative Mode of Inquiry course (3-4)

Intermediate Language*** (3-4)

TOTAL CREDITS SECOND YEAR: 27-35

*Writing enhanced course. Truman requires at least 3 writing enhanced courses (ECON 210, JINS 3XX, ECON 479 allow you to fulfill this requirement).

** Choose from Scientific – Life Science, or Scientific – Physical Science

***B.A. Requirement

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THIRD YEAR – FALL SEMESTER

ECON 305* – American Economic History (3) or
ECON XXX – Economics Elective (3)

ECON 3XX/4XX/5XX – Economics Elective (3)

Free Elective or Minor (3+)

JINS 3XX – Junior Interdisciplinary Seminar (3)

Missouri Statute Course (1-3)

TOTAL CREDITS THIRD YEAR: 25-29+

*Only one of either ECON 305 or ECON 313 need to be taken as a major requirement.

FOURTH YEAR – FALL SEMESTER

ECON 479 – Senior Seminar (3)

ECON 3XX/4XX/5XX – Economics Elective (3)

Free Elective or Minor (3+)

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TOTAL CREDITS FOURTH YEAR: 24+ (**120 CREDITS REQUIRED TO GRADUATE**)

**This can be an economics course that satisfies the Intercultural Perspective requirement. If not, another Intercultural perspective course must be taken elsewhere.

Please note that a 2.25 cumulative and a 2.25 major GPA are required to graduate. Additionally, grades of “C” or better are required in each major requirement class.

Students must complete and pass at least 40 credits in 300-, 400-, and 500-level courses in order to meet graduation requirements for all baccalaureate degrees.

THIRD YEAR – SPRING SEMESTER

ECON 313* – History of Economic Thought (3) or
ECON XXX – Economics Elective (3)

ECON 373 – Econometrics (3) or
STAT 378 – Linear Regression/Time Series (3)

Free Elective or Minor (3+)

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FOURTH YEAR – SPRING SEMESTER

ECON 3XX/4XX/5XX** – Economics Elective (3)

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