

# ECONOMICS B.A.

## General Degree Requirements

To earn a baccalaureate degree, all students must complete successfully, in addition to any other requirements, the University of Montana General Education Requirements. Please refer to the General Education Requirements page (<https://catalog.umd.edu/academics/general-education-requirements/>) for more information.

Additional requirements for graduation can be found on the Degree/Certificate Requirements for Graduation page (<https://catalog.umd.edu/academics/graduation-requirements/>).

Unless otherwise noted in individual program requirements, a minimum grade point average of 2.00 in all work attempted at the University of Montana-Missoula is required for graduation. Please see the Academic Policies and Procedures page (<https://catalog.umd.edu/academics/policies-procedures/>) for information on how your GPA is calculated.

Courses taken to satisfy the requirements of a major, minor, or certificate program must be completed with a grade of C- or better unless a higher grade is noted in the program requirements.

## Bachelor of Arts - Economics

### Course Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Lower-Division Core</b>		
Complete all of the following courses:		
ECNS 201S	Principles of Microeconomics	3
ECNS 202S	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
<b>Upper-Division Core</b>		
Complete all of the following courses:		
ECNS 301	Intermediate Microeconomics with Calculus	3
ECNS 302	Intermediate Macroeconomics	3
ECNS 403	Introduction to Econometrics	4
ECNS 481	Communicating Economics <sup>1</sup>	3
<b>Non-Economics Required Courses</b>		
Complete all of the following courses:		
M 171	Calculus I <sup>2</sup>	4
or M 162	Applied Calculus	
STAT 216	Introduction to Statistics	4
<b>Electives <sup>3</sup></b>		
Complete 17 credits of the following courses:		17
ECNS 312	Labor Economics	
ECNS 313	Money and Banking	
ECNS 320	Public Finance	
ECNS 325	Economics of Sports	
ECNS 391	Special Topics	
ECNS 405	Game Theory	
ECNS 406	Industrial Organization	
ECNS 431	International Trade	

ECNS 433	Economics of the Environment
ECNS 445	International Environmental Economics & Climate Change
ECNS 450	Economics of Global Development
ECNS 451	Behavioral and Experimental Economics
ECNS 491	Special Topics
ECNS 494	Senior Seminar
FORS 320	Forest Environmental Economics
GPHY 323S	Economic Geography of Rural Areas
PSCI 365	Public Policy Issues and Analysis
<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>44</b>

<sup>1</sup> The advanced writing requirement must be met by successfully completing ECNS 481 (<https://catalog.umd.edu/search/?P=ECNS%20481>).

<sup>2</sup> Students planning graduate study in economics should take M 171 (<https://catalog.umd.edu/search/?P=M%20171>) and M 172 (<https://catalog.umd.edu/search/?P=M%20172>) and consider M 221 (<https://catalog.umd.edu/search/?P=M%20221>) and M 307 (<https://catalog.umd.edu/search/?P=M%20307>) as well as ECNS 511 (<https://catalog.umd.edu/search/?P=ECNS%20511>), ECNS 513 (<https://catalog.umd.edu/search/?P=ECNS%20513>) and ECNS 560 (<https://catalog.umd.edu/search/?P=ECNS%20560>).

<sup>3</sup> ECNS 398 (<https://catalog.umd.edu/search/?P=ECNS%20398>) does NOT count toward the total required credits for the major.

## Four Year Plan

Course	Title	Hours
<b>Freshman</b>		
<b>Autumn</b>		
M 115	Probability and Linear Mathematics <sup>1</sup>	4
WRIT 101	College Writing I	4
Foreign Language 101		4
ECNS 201S	Principles of Microeconomics	3
HUSC 194	Seminar/Workshop	1
<b>Hours</b>		<b>16</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
STAT 216	Introduction to Statistics	4
Foreign Language 102		4
ECNS 202S	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
General Education Requirement		3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>14</b>
<b>Sophomore</b>		
<b>Autumn</b>		
M 162	Applied Calculus <sup>2</sup>	4
or M 171	or Calculus I	
ECNS 300+ Elective <sup>3</sup>		3
General Education Requirement		9
<b>Hours</b>		<b>16</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
ECNS 300+ Elective <sup>3</sup>		3
Intermediate Writing		3
General Education Requirement		9
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Junior</b>		
<b>Autumn</b>		
ECNS 301	Intermediate Microeconomics with Calculus (Fall only)	3
ECNS 300+ Elective <sup>3</sup>		3

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General Education Requirement		3
Elective		6
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
ECNS 302	Intermediate Macroeconomics	3
ECNS 300+ Elective <sup>3</sup>		6
Elective		6
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Senior</b>		
<b>Autumn</b>		
ECNS 403	Introduction to Econometrics (Fall only) <sup>5</sup>	4
ECNS 300+ Elective <sup>3</sup>		3
Elective 300+		3
Elective		6
<b>Hours</b>		<b>16</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
ECNS 481	Communicating Economics (Spring only, Advanced Writing)	3
Elective 300+		6
Elective		6
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>122</b>

<sup>1</sup> Most students begin with M 115, but some students only need Calculus and Stats. Some students may need to take additional or remedial math courses to prepare for M 115, M 162, or M 171.

<sup>2</sup> M 162 or M 171 complete this requirement, but students who are advanced in math or plan to pursue a Masters in Economics should take M 171 and M 172.

<sup>3</sup> GPHY 323S, PSCI 336, PSCI 365, PSCI 431, FORS 320, M 221, and M 307 can count towards the Economics Elective requirement

<sup>4</sup> M 162 or M 171 must be taken before ECNS 301. Students who have completed Calculus before Year 2 are allowed to take ECNS 301 in Fall Year 2.

<sup>5</sup> STAT 216 must be taken before ECNS 403

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