

ECONOMICS

Bachelor of Arts

College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

Effective Spring 2016 and later

BSOS Expectations of Students

As a University of Maryland student, you are an informed and active participant in your education. Therefore, the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences expects that you:

- Know your benchmark/gateway and degree requirements
- Develop a graduation plan which leads to a timely graduation
- Complete an academic audit during your junior year
- Take appropriate actions to remove registration blocks and register on time
- Adhere to University and College policies and deadlines
- Be responsible for your academic actions and decisions

Student Expectations of BSOS

Academic advisors are committed to assist you in meeting your educational goals. Therefore, the College is committed to the following:

- Introducing you to major and University requirements upon your entrance to a BSOS major
- Providing assistance during academic difficulty
- Referring you to helpful campus resources when needed
- Providing advising throughout your academic career

Advising Resources

BSOS Advising

General questions, registration, exceptions to University policy, academic probation, limited enrollment questions, graduation concerns

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Department Advising

Major requirements and courses, registration, internships, career questions, department permission for courses

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ECON Major Benchmarks

Benchmark Requirements: In accordance with University policy, the Department of Economics has established benchmark requirements. Students are expected to demonstrate continuing progress in their majors by completing prerequisite or required courses with the appropriate grades within an established timeframe. Students who do not complete benchmark requirements will need to choose a new major and will not be permitted to return to the Economics major at a later time.

Benchmark 1: *ECON majors must complete the following courses within two semesters of entering the major:*

- Academic Writing with C– or higher
- Additional Gen Ed course with D– or higher
- ECON200 with C– or higher
- ECON201 with C– or higher
- MATH120* or 140 (or higher) with C– or higher

*Formerly MATH220

**** More than 3 ECON courses per semester may not be permitted****

NAME: _____

UID: _____ DATE: _____

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General Education Requirements (Fall 2012 and later)			
Fundamental Studies			
<i>Requirements: 15 credits</i>	<i>Course</i>	<i>Credits</i>	<i>Grade</i>
AW: Academic Writing	ENGL101	3	
PW: Professional Writing — Taken after 60 credits		3	
OC: Oral Communication		3	
MA: Fundamental Studies Math	MATH 120/140	3	
AR: Analytic Reasoning	MATH 120/140	3	
Distributive Studies			
<i>Requirements: 25 credits</i>	<i>Course</i>	<i>Credits</i>	<i>Grade</i>
NL: Natural Sciences Lab		4	
NS: Natural Sciences		3/4	
HS: History and/or Social Sciences	ECON200	3	
HS: History and/or Social Sciences	ECON201	3	
HU: Humanities		3	
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SP: Scholarship in Practice (overlap permitted with major requirement)		3	
SP: Scholarship in Practice (must be non-major requirement)		3	
I- Series (overlap permitted with Distributive Studies/Diversity)			
<i>Requirements: 6 credits</i>	<i>Course</i>	<i>Credits</i>	<i>Grade</i>
IS: I-Series		—/3	
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Diversity (overlap permitted with Distributive Studies and/or I-Series)			
<i>Requirements: 4–6 credits</i>	<i>Course</i>	<i>Credits</i>	<i>Grade</i>
UP: Understanding Plural Societies		3	
CC: Cultural Competency OR UP: Understanding Plural Societies		1—3	
TOTAL General Education Credits			
General Education requirements must total at least 40 credits			
Requirements for Graduation:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Earn a C– or higher in Academic Writing and all major requirements			
<input type="checkbox"/> Earn a D– or higher in every Gen Ed course except Academic Writing			
<input type="checkbox"/> Earn a 2.0 average in all courses used to satisfy major requirements			
<input type="checkbox"/> 15 of the final 30 credits must be earned at the 300–400 level			
<input type="checkbox"/> 12 upper level major credits must be earned at UMD			
<input type="checkbox"/> At least 30 credits must be earned at UMD			
<input type="checkbox"/> Earn a cumulative 2.0 GPA in all UMD coursework			
<input type="checkbox"/> Earn a minimum of 120 credits			

ECON Major Requirements		
<i>Requirements</i> [Courses in brackets are prerequisite courses]	<i>Credits</i>	<i>Grade</i>
Benchmark 1 Requirements		
Academic Writing (C– or higher)	—	
Additional Gen Ed course (D– or higher)	—	
ECON200 [MATH110 or pre-calculus math placement] (C– or higher)	—	
ECON201 [MATH110 or pre-calculus math placement] (C– or higher)	—	
Calculus: Choose one: MATH120* [MATH113] (C– or higher) or MATH140 [MATH115] (C– or higher)	—	
Additional ECON Requirements (Grade of C– or higher)		
Statistics: Choose one: ECON230 [ECON200, ECON201 & MATH110 or pre-calculus math placement] or BMGT230 [MATH113/115 or Calculus math placement]	3	
ECON306 [ECON200, ECON201, and Calculus]	3	
ECON305 [ECON200, ECON201, and Calculus]	3	
ECON Quantitative Methods: Choose one: ECON402, ECON414, ECON424, ECON425, ECON426	3	
ECON Courses of Choice (Grade of C– or higher) * Must select ECON Courses of Choice from the approved BA course list Refer to: http://ter.ps/ECONcourses		
ECON Course of Choice: 300/400 Level Course 1	3	
ECON Course of Choice: 300/400 Level Course 2	3	
ECON Course of Choice: 400 Level Course 1	3	
ECON Course of Choice: 400 Level Course 2	3	
ECON Course of Choice: 400 Level Course 3	3	
Experiential Learning		
ECON386 or Other Experiential Learning course(s) approved by department or Additional ECON Course of Choice: 300/400 Level	3	

* Prerequisites vary by courses, please check the schedule of classes on Testudo for specific prerequisites. Prerequisites are strictly enforced in the ECON major and should be considered when planning future ECON required courses.

The following shows the sequencing of prerequisites:

ECON200	}	Statistics		
ECON201		ECON 300 level Courses of Choice		
ECON200	}	ECON305	}	ECON 400 levels
ECON201		ECON306		
MATH120/140				

* Formerly MATH220

ECONOMICS BA-Four Year Academic Plan

Year 1	Fall		Spring	
<p>Complete your graduation plan!</p> <p>Benchmark 1 requirements must be completed in 2 semesters</p> <p>Academic Writing Gen Ed Course ECON 200 ECON 201 MATH 120/140</p> <p><i>NOTE: This sample plan assumes a math placement of MATH 120 or higher. If you have a lower math placement, you are required to meet with an ECON advisor to sign your individualized benchmark contract.</i></p>	Course	Credit	Course	Credit
	ENGL 101 (AW: Academic Writing)	3	OC (Oral Communication)	3
	MATH 120/140 (MA: Math / AR: Analytic Reasoning)	3	ECON 201 (HS: History/Social Sciences)	3
	ECON 200 (HS: History/Social Sciences)	3	SP (Scholarship in Practice -non-major)*	3
	UNIV 100	1	Elective	3
	Elective	3	Elective	3
	Elective	2		
	Total	15	Total	15
Year 2	Fall		Spring	
<p>Check in with your advisor regarding your benchmark or gateway progress!</p>	Course	Credit	Course	Credit
	HU (Humanities)*	3	NL (Natural Sciences Lab)*	4
	ECON 230/ BMGT 230	3	HU (Humanities)*	3
	ECON 306	3	ECON 305	3
	Elective	3	Elective	3
	Elective	3	Elective	2
	Total	15	Total	15
Year 3	Fall		Spring	
<p>When you're between 75—89 credits, watch out for an email from your Advisors regarding your remaining degree requirements!</p>	Course	Credit	Course	Credit
	PW (Professional Writing)	3	CC (Cultural Competency)	1
	SP (Scholarship in Practice -major)*	3	NS (Natural Sciences)*	3
	ECON Quantitative Methods Course	3	ECON Course of Choice: 300/400 Level Course 2	3
	ECON Course of Choice: 300/400 Level Course 1	3	Elective	3
	Elective	3	Elective	3
			Elective	3
	Total	15	Total	16
Year 4	Fall		Spring	
<p>Apply for graduation!</p>	Course	Credit	Course	Credit
	UP (Understanding Plural Societies)	3	ECON Course of Choice: 400 Level Course 2	3
	Experiential Learning	3	ECON Course of Choice: 400 Level Course 3	3
	ECON Course of Choice: 400 Level Course 1	3	Elective	3
	Upper Level Elective	3	Elective	3
	Elective	3	Elective	2
	Total	15	Total	14

***Important Planning Notes:**

- All students must take two Distributive Studies courses that will also count for the I-Series requirement. (I-Series are not listed separately in this plan)
- Understanding Plural Societies courses may also fulfill a Distributive Studies category.

Cumulative Credits + Planned Credits = Total Credits	120
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