

Economics



“An economics degree is versatile. Many of my classmates used their degrees in traditional ways by working in government, banking, or financial analysis. However, having a degree in economics can open the door to other fields as well – in my case, law and public policy.”

-Nicole Cochran, '12

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First-year students considering a major in economics should take either **ECON 201B** or **ECON 202B**. Either course may be taken first. Both are also prerequisites for the business administration, international affairs, and environmental science majors.

Below please find some examples of first semester schedules for an economics major. There are many variations of a first semester schedule; the examples are just meant to help you see that there are many ways to reach the same goals.

Example 1:

Course (credits)	Requirement(s) Met
1. ECON 201B - Prin. of Macroeconomics (3)	Major, HES
2. GEOG 110 - Weather and Climate with Lab (4)	NS
3. ARAB 101** - Beginning Arabic (3)	Language
4. FSEM 100 - Inequality and the American Dream (3)	FSEM

Example 2:

Course (credits)	Requirement(s) Met
1. ECON 202B - Prin. of Microeconomics (3)	Major, HES
2. CPSC 110** - Intro Computer Science (3)	QR
3. PHYS 101 - Gen Physics with Lab (4)	NS
4. THEA 211A - Dramatic Literature (3)	ALPA, WI*

Example 3: Athletes for varsity sports must register for the 400-level course of the sport. Practice times for varsity sports can vary, but generally speaking, athletes should allow for enough time to get to and from practice on weekdays from 3 - 6 p.m. Please check with the individual coach for your sport to verify specific practice times each semester.

Course (credits)	Requirement(s) Met
1. ECON 201B - Prin. of Macroeconomics (3)	Major, HES
2. GERM 101 - Beginning German (3)	Language
3. ENGL 202F - Writing About Appalachian Folklore (3)	ALPP, WI*
4. FSEM 100BB – Game Theory (3)	FSEM
5. PHYD 428 - Intercollegiate Swimming - Men (1)	Elective

**Please note that not all sections of a course may have the Speaking Intensive (SI) or Writing Intensive (WI) attributes. These designations for a course are dependent on instructor and semester, and are listed in the Banner description for the semester in which you are registering.*

***This particular course is in a discipline that allows students with demonstrated competence upon admission to UMW (such as AP/IB credit, dual enrollment, etc.) to begin courses at a higher level. Talk to your Student Success Coordinator if you believe you should start at a higher level.*