ECONOMICS, BALAS

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Undergraduate Degree Programs in Economics

- Econometrics & Quantitative Economics, BSLAS (http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/las/econometrics-quantitative-economics-bslas/)
- Economics, BALAS (p. 1)
- Computer Science & Economics, BSLAS (http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/eng_las/computer-science-economics-bslas/)

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A Major Plan of Study Form must be completed and submitted to the LAS Student Affairs Office before the end of the fifth semester (60-75 hours). Please see your advisor.

Departmental distinction: A student must have a grade point average of at least 3.25 overall and at least 3.5 in economics; complete a research project (e.g., complete ECON 399); and be recommended by the faculty research adviser.

General education: Students must complete the Campus General Education (https://courses.illinois.edu/gened/DEFAULT/DEFAULT/) requirements including the campus general education language requirement.

Minimum required major and supporting course work: Normally equates to 55-56 hours including a minimum of 30 hours of economics courses excluding ECON 199, ECON 220, ECON 398, and ECON 399. Twelve hours of 300- and 400-level in the major must be taken on this campus.

Minimum hours required for graduation: 120 hours.

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<td>11 additional hours of economics at the 300- or 400-level</td>
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Mathematics:

- MATH 220 Calculus
- or MATH 221 Calculus I
- MATH 231 Calculus II

Additional mathematics courses are recommended

Supporting course work: 18 hours of courses outside economics but related to the student’s major interest in economics (see www.economics.illinois.edu/programs/undergrad (http://www.economics.illinois.edu/programs/undergrad/) for details).

1 Excluding ECON 398 and ECON 399.

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1. **Analytical Skills/Problem-Solving:** ECON students will effectively visualize, conceptualize, articulate, and solve complex problems or address problems that do not have a clear answer, with available information, through experimentation and observation, using microeconomic and macroeconomic theory, as well as calculus and statistical tools.

2. **Critical Thinking:** ECON students will apply economic analysis to everyday problems helping them to understand events, evaluate specific policy proposals, compare arguments with different conclusions to a specific issue or problem, and assess the role played by assumptions in arguments that reach different conclusions to a specific economic or policy problem.

3. **Quantitative Reasoning:** ECON students will understand how to apply empirical evidence to economic arguments. Specifically, they may obtain and/or collect relevant data, develop empirical evidence using appropriate statistical techniques, and interpret the results of such analyses.

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4. **Specialized Knowledge and Practical Application:** ECON students will develop deeper analytical, critical, and quantitative skills in specialized areas by applying economic concepts to real world situations.

5. **Interdisciplinary Knowledge, Diverse Issues, and Global Consciousness:** ECON students will broaden their global and disciplinary knowledge, enhancing their understanding of the world around them both within economics and beyond.

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**department website:** https://economics.illinois.edu/

**department faculty:** Economics Faculty (https://economics.illinois.edu/directory/faculty/)

**advising:** Economics advising (https://economics.illinois.edu/academics/undergraduate-program/academic-advising/)

**overview of college admissions & requirements:** Liberal Arts & Sciences (http://catalog.illinois.edu/schools/las/academic-units/)

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