ECONOMICS MINOR

for the Minor in Economics

The minor in economics, administered by the Department of Economics, is designed to provide students who are not majoring in economics with a basic foundation in economic analysis. The minor offers training in economic theory through the intermediate level, instruction in quantitative methods of econometrics, and opportunity for advanced work in a student’s particular area of interest following the microeconomic, macroeconomic, or econometric track. Students completing the minor in economics will enhance their major field of study and prepare them for a career in their chosen field and/or for graduate studies in a variety of fields. The minor consists of 18-21 hours within economics. Students must complete the prerequisite mathematics and economics courses with the required grade/GPA in order to apply. Interested students should work with the Economics Undergraduate Studies Office. Students must choose from the Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, or Econometrics Track.

Prerequisite to applying for the Economics Minor:

Microeconomics and Macroeconomics tracks:

- MATH 220-Calculus or MATH 221- Calculus I with a grade of C or higher. MATH 234 can substitute for MATH 220 or MATH 221, with a grade of C or higher. Discuss your intended plan with the Department of Economics Advising Office to ensure MATH 234 will prepare you for advanced Economics coursework.
- ECON 102 and ECON 202 with a 2.33 or higher Illinois Economics GPA. At least one ECON course must be taken on campus (please see an Economics Academic Advisor if you have completed these courses off-campus or have other credit).

Econometrics track:

- MATH 220-Calculus or MATH 221- Calculus I with a grade of C or higher.
- MATH 225 with a grade of C or higher. (Recommended prior to application, but not required)
- ECON 102, ECON 202 and ECON 203 with a 2.33 or higher Illinois Economics GPA. At least one ECON course must be taken on campus (please see an Economics Academic Advisor if you have completed these courses off-campus or have other credit).

Students will select one of the following tracks:

**Microeconomics Track** 6

- Two 400-level elective courses in Microeconomics:
  - ECON 411: Public Sector Economics
  - ECON 414: Urban Economics
  - ECON 440: Economics of Labor Markets
  - ECON 450: Development Economics

**Macroeconomics Track** 9

- ECON 103: Macroeconomic Principles
- ECON 303: Inter Macroeconomic Theory
- One 400-level elective course in Macroeconomics:
  - ECON 420: International Economics
  - ECON 452: The Latin American Economies
  - ECON 462

- ECON 490: Topics in Economics (Including: Monetary Policy, Economic Growth)

**Econometrics Track** 9

- ECON 471: Intro to Applied Econometrics
- Two 400-level elective courses in Econometrics:
  - ECON 465

Total Hours 18-21

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