

# ECONOMICS, BA

## Bachelor of Arts in Economics (325000BA)

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The BA in economics is a classic liberal arts degree. It trains students in economic theory along with data analytic and critical thinking skills required to investigate real world economic problems. Hands-on application of these tools in the classroom is stressed throughout the curriculum, culminating with the senior "capstone" research project. Graduates can apply these skills in the workplace in a wide variety of settings - in both the private and public sectors - to improve outcomes through better decision making. The degree can also be a stepping stone for graduate studies in a wide variety of areas including further study in economics and other business-related disciplines, law, and public policy.

You will earn a degree from a globally recognized business school where the programs are taught by an accomplished and dedicated faculty and are supported by a network of business executives. You can major in a wide variety of interesting disciplines that are attractive to prospective employers. As a graduate, you will have leadership and collaboration competencies and be a data savvy, globally aware, enterprise thinker.

### Requirements for Admission

To be admitted to the major in the College of Business, students must have:

- Cumulative overall grade-point average of 2.5 or higher
- English Composition I and II (ENGL 111 & ENGL 112)
- Speech requirement (COMM 105 or COMM 106)
- College Algebra (MATH 145) or Calculus with Business Applications (MATH 210)
- Principles of Microeconomics (ECON 200) or Principles of Macroeconomics (ECON 201)
- One of the following courses:
  - Accounting Principles I (ACCT 201)
  - Spreadsheet Modeling & Decision Analysis (ACCT 250)
  - Introduction to Entrepreneurship (ENTRE 201)
  - Legal & Social Environment of Business (BLAW 220)
  - Marketing Principles (MKTG 205)

#### College of Business Undergraduate Programs

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The following information has official approval of **The Department of Economics** and **The College of Business**, but is intended only as a supplemental guide. Official degree requirements are established at the time of transfer and admission to the degree-granting college. Students should refer to the Degree Progress Report (Stellic) which is definitive for graduation requirements. *Completion of this degree within the identified time frame below is contingent upon many factors, including but not limited to: class availability, total number of required credits, work schedule, finances, family, course drops/withdrawals, successfully passing*

*courses, prerequisites, among others.* The transfer process is completed through an appointment with your academic advisor.

**Three year accelerated option:** for first time students who have earned credits for at least the first year of courses. Credits can be earned through qualifying scores on appropriate Advanced Placement (AP) exams or through [College Credit Plus Program \(CCP\)](#) courses. Credits for qualifying AP scores or CCP courses are determined by the appropriate academic department. Departments may assign varied course credit, depending on the student's score on an AP exam or [grade in a CCP](#) course. Students may also receive credit by examination or via placement tests, where appropriate.

### Requirements Summary

Code	Title	Hours
General Education Requirements ( <a href="https://bulletin.uakron.edu/undergraduate/general-education/">https://bulletin.uakron.edu/undergraduate/general-education/</a> )		36
Economics Major Requirements		31-33
Math and Statistics Requirements		6-8
Additional Business and Minor Requirements		36
Additional Credits for Graduation *		11-7
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>120</b>

\* Bachelor's degrees require a minimum of 120 credit hours for graduation.

### Recommended General Education Courses

Code	Title	Hours
Students pursuing a bachelor's degree must complete the following General Education coursework. Diversity courses may also fulfill major or Breadth of Knowledge requirements. Integrated and Applied Learning courses may also fulfill requirements in the major.		
Students are not required to enroll in the specific courses listed below. However, to facilitate successful degree completion, the academic department strongly encourages completion of the following recommendations.		
<b>Academic Foundations</b>		<b>12</b>
<i>Mathematics, Statistics and Logic: 3 credit hours</i>		
MATH 210	Calculus with Business Applications <sup>1</sup> or MATH 221Analytic Geometry-Calculus I	
<i>Speaking: 3 credit hours</i>		
COMM 105	Introduction to Public Speaking or COMM 106Effective Oral Communication	
<i>Writing: 6 credit hours</i>		
ENGL 111	English Composition I	
ENGL 112	English Composition II	
<b>Breadth of Knowledge</b>		<b>22</b>
<i>Arts/Humanities: 9 credit hours</i>		
<i>Natural Sciences: 7 credit hours</i>		
<i>Social Sciences: 6 credit hours</i>		
ECON 200	Principles of Microeconomics	
<b>Diversity</b>		
Domestic Diversity		
ECON 487	Urban Economics:Theory & Policy	

Global Diversity	
ECON 460	Economics of Developing Countries
<b>Integrated and Applied Learning</b>	<b>2</b>
<i>Select one class from one of the following subcategories:</i>	
Complex Issues Facing Society	
ECON 385	Economics of Natural Resources & the Environment
Capstone	
<i>Review the General Education Requirements page for detailed course listings.</i>	
<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>36</b>

## Economics Major Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
ECON 200	Principles of Microeconomics	3
ECON 201	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
ECON 325	Applied Econometrics I	3
ECON 326	Applied Econometrics II	3
ECON 400	Intermediate Macroeconomics	3
ECON 410	Intermediate Microeconomics	3
ECON 434	Labor Market Analysis and Evaluation	1-3
or ECON 496	Capstone Project in Economics	
or ECON 497	Honors Project in Economics	
ECON:xxx	Economics Electives <sup>1</sup>	12
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>31-33</b>

<sup>1</sup> Selecting courses from General Education is recommended.

## Math and Statistics Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
MATH 210	Calculus with Business Applications	3-4
or MATH 215	Concepts of Calculus	
or MATH 221	Analytic Geometry-Calculus I	
STAT 261	Introductory Statistics I	3-4
& STAT 262	and Introductory Statistics II	
or STAT 461	Applied Statistics	
or MGMT 304	Business Statistics	
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>6-8</b>

## Additional Business and Minor Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
BUSN 110	College of Business Success Seminar (Required for some first-year students) <sup>1</sup>	1
BUSN 111	Professional Development Seminar (Required for some first-year students) <sup>1</sup>	1
	Completion of Minor	18
	Upper Level Electives (see notes below)	16
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>36</b>

<sup>1</sup> Required for some first-year students.

## Upper Level Elective Notes

- Upper level electives cannot be fulfilled with upper level economics coursework.
- Students may use a second major to satisfy the minor elective requirement of this major.
- Electives used for a minor or second major may count towards upper level electives (300/400).
- Suggested minors for a student include Finance, Risk Management & Insurance, International Business, Marketing, Supply Chain Management, Applied Mathematics, Modern Language, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology, and Applied Statistics.
- General electives can be any course not already required by your major and upper-level (300/400) elective can be any course in or outside your major, excluding general education courses and workshops.
- Students who wish to follow a particular career-oriented track in their economic electives can do so from the following: Business Career Track, Banking & International Track, Public Policy Track, & Graduate School Track. *Note that choosing a track is **not** required.*
  - Graduate School Track relates to professional degrees such as Law, MBA, or Public Policy as well as Economics.
  - Those wishing to become professional economists through graduate work in economics (MA or Ph.D.) are encouraged to take more Calculus (e.g., MATH 221, MATH 222, MATH 223) and further mathematics (e.g., MATH 312).

## Graduation Requirements – Review DPR for Status

- 120 Credit Hours
- College of Business residency = Last 15 credits earned in College of Business
- Overall GPA = 2.3
- Major GPA = 2.0
- Business & Economics GPA = 2.0

## Recommended Sequence

1st Year		
Fall Semester		Hours
BUSN 110	College of Business Success Seminar	1
ENGL 111	English Composition I	3
COMM 105	Introduction to Public Speaking	3
or COMM 106	or Effective Oral Communication	
MATH 210	Calculus with Business Applications	3
	Humanities Requirement	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>13</b>
Spring Semester		
BUSN 111	Professional Development Seminar	1
ENGL 112	English Composition II	3
SOCIO 100	Introduction to Sociology (Social Science and Domestic Diversity Requirements)	3
ECON 200	Principles of Microeconomics	3
	Minor Elective	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>13</b>

**2nd Year****Fall Semester**

ECON 201	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
	General Elective	3
	Arts Requirement	3
	Natural Science with Lab Requirement	4
	Minor Elective	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>16</b>

**Spring Semester**

ECON 400	Intermediate Macroeconomics	3
	General Elective	3
	Minor Elective	3
	Natural Science Requirement	3
	Economics elective	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15</b>

**3rd Year****Fall Semester**

ECON 410	Intermediate Microeconomics	3
STAT 261	Introductory Statistics I	2
STAT 262	Introductory Statistics II	2
	Minor Elective	3
	Arts or Humanities Requirement	3
	Upper Level Elective	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>16</b>

**Spring Semester**

ECON 325	Applied Econometrics I	3
	Economics Elective	3
	Upper Level Electives	3
	Minor Electives	3
	Complex Issues Requirement	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15</b>

**4th Year****Fall Semester**

ECON 326	Applied Econometrics II	3
	Economics Elective	3
	Minor Elective	3
	Upper Level Elective	3
	General Elective	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15</b>

**Spring Semester**

ECON 434	Labor Market Analysis and Evaluation	3
	Global Diversity Requirement	3
	Economics Elective	3
	Upper Level Elective	3
	General Elective	3
	General Elective	2
<b>Hours</b>		<b>17</b>
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>120</b>