Bachelor of Science in Business Economics

The Department of Economics has received approval to offer a Bachelor of Science in Business Economics in cooperation with the School of Business. The degree is a combined major and minor, so that students seeking the degree would not need to get a separate minor. The degree offers students the opportunity to obtain more knowledge in business subjects than they would be able to get with a Bachelor of Arts in Economics combined with a minor in Business, and students would have their additional business knowledge reflected in their academic record. The Business Economics Major is intended to appeal to students who want more business preparation, who have additional business credits than they need for a business minor, who have business credits that do not count towards a business minor, who intend to apply their economic skills in business environments, or who want increased flexibility in balancing the economics and business content in their academic careers. The Business Economics Major qualifies as a Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) degree for the purpose of extending Optional Practical Training. Students can declare a major in Business Economics after completing AECO 110 and AECO 111 with grades of C or better. Contact your advisor at Academic Support Services or the Department of Economics.

The requirements for the Bachelor of Science Business Economics major are a minimum of 60 credits as follows:

A ECO 110 and A ECO 111, Principles of Microeconomics and Principles of Macroeconomics, with grades of C or better.

One of the following mathematics courses: A ECO 210, Tools of Economics; A MAT 106, Survey of Calculus; A MAT 112, Calculus I; or A MAT 118, Honors Calculus I.

Economics Core Courses: A ECO 300, Intermediate Microeconomics, or T ECO 300, Honors Intermediate Microeconomics; A ECO 301, Intermediate Macroeconomics; and AECO 320, Economic Statistics.

Industrial Organization: A ECO 374 or A ECO 374W.

Financial Economics: A ECO 466W.

Required Business Courses: B FIN 210, Personal Finance; B ACC 211, Financial Accounting; B ITM 215, Information Technologies for Business; B LAW 200, Legal Environment of Business, or B LAW 220, Business Law.

Business Electives: Three courses chosen from B ACC 222, Cost Accounting Systems for Managerial Decisions; B FIN 300, Financial management; B LAW 321, Law of Business Organizations; B MKT 310, Marketing Principles; B MGT 341, Behavioral Foundations of Management; or B ITM 330, Improving Business Performance with Information Technologies.

Two economics electives at the 300 level or above.

Three additional courses from economic electives at the 300 level or higher, or from the business electives listed above, or from up to 6 transfer credits approved for business electives.

Students must satisfy all other UAlbany degree requirements, including general education, residency, grade point average, and liberal arts credit requirements.