An economics degree enables students to understand how society chooses to use its resources to attain diverse, and often conflicting, goals. A degree in economics is not occupation-specific, but it provides a valuable "big picture" perspective that can be used in a variety of career paths. Economics emphasizes analysis, logical thought and problem solving skills, valued by large and small companies. Students of economics find employment in national and multi-national corporations, financial institutions, unions, all levels of government, non-profit and international organizations.

#### **Outstanding Preparation**

The Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics prepares students for careers that require an in-depth understanding of the forces of the economy. Economists study changes occurring in various countries, as well as individual sectors of an economy. You will learn how to:

- Research and analyze economic issues
- Conduct surveys and collect data
- Analyze data using mathematical models and statistical techniques, and more!

#### Facts

- Economics majors are successful in a wide variety of careers. Although various roles in businesses are most common, economics majors are successful in law, medicine, government, non-profits, and international relations, as well as in academic roles. (Source: American Economic Association, 2017)
- Economics is the 6<sup>th</sup> most in-demand degree by employers (*National Association of Colleges* and Employers, 2015).

#### **Assurance of Quality**

AACSB accreditation is the highest sign of quality among business programs, demonstrating the relevancy and currency of our faculty, programs and courses.

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# Bachelor of Arts in Economics

### College of Business

#### **Bachelor of Arts in Economics**

Students must meet all university and college requirements for a bachelor's degree as specified in the GSU catalog.

## I. General Education Requirements (37-38 Hours)

#### **Communications (9 Hours)**

- Communication (3)
- Written Communication (6)

#### Mathematics (3 Hours)

• Elementary Statistics (3)

#### **Social Science (9 Hours)**

- Principles of Microeconomics (3)
- Principles of Macroeconomics (3)
- One non-economics social science course (3)

#### Humanities and Fine Arts (9 Hours)

- Humanities course (3)
- Fine Arts Course (3)
- One Humanities or Fine Arts Course (3)

#### Physical and Life Sciences (7 Hours)

[One science must include a lab]

- Life Science (3-4)
- Physical Science (3-4)

#### II. Business Courses (27 Hours)

- Financial Accounting (3)
- Managerial Accounting (3)
- Basics of Information Technology (3)
- Applied Calculus (3)
- Statistics for Management II (3)
- Business Communication (3)
- Principles of Financial Management (3)
- Business Ethics and Social Responsibility (3)

and **select one** of the following courses:

- Principles of Business Management (3)
- Production and Operations Management (3)
- Organizational Behavior (3)
- Globalization of Business (3)
- Management Information Systems (3)
- Introduction to Marketing Management (3)

#### **III. Economics Core Courses (12 Hours)**

- Managerial Economics or Intermediate Microeconomics (3)
- Intermediate Macroeconomics (3)
- International Economics (3)
- Economics Capstone (3)

#### IV. Economics Selectives (12 Hours)

Select four Economics/Finance courses:

- Money and Banking (3)
- Economic Development (3)
- Labor Economics (3)
- International Trade (3)
- Mathematical Economics (3)
- Econometrics I (3)
- Econometrics II (3)
- Investments (3)
- Advanced Corporate Finance (3)
- International Financial Management (3)
- Financial Institutions and Markets (3)
- Or other approved upper division economics or finance course.

#### V. Electives (31-32 Hours)

#### Total - 120 Hours



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