Economics is the study of how individuals allocate resources for production in order to satisfy their human needs and wants. This focus on the human condition places economics firmly into the social sciences arena; however, the application of economic principles to problems of choice in markets and financial decision-making also gives economics a central role in the theory of business management.

Economics majors learn the tools for making efficient decisions in a broad range of areas while studying many of the concepts of microeconomics and macroeconomics. Economics may be the best suited for you if your interests lie in the areas of:

- International trade and payments
- Government Policies
- Inflation and unemployment
- Market Failures and Price discrimination

Virtually all business degrees were derived from the study of economics. Marketing, management, finance, and even accounting are based on an understanding of economics and almost always require substantial coursework in the field. The economics program at Missouri S&T offers students an opportunity to study in a setting designed to produce maximum learning.

Many economics students are pursuing dual-degrees and studying engineering, science, business or mathematics as well. Economics is exciting in itself but can be a nice complement to any other course of study.

**Scholarship Information**

Freshman scholarships are automatically awarded based on high school transcripts and ACT/SAT scores. No separate application is necessary. The Economics Department offers a number of scholarships as well. Contact the department for more information.

**Degree Options, Additional Offerings and Minors**

- Bachelor of Arts, Economics
- Bachelor of Arts, Economics, Secondary Education
- Bachelor of Science, Economics
- Minor, Economics
- Minor, Energy/Technology
- Minor, International Economics

**Student Organizations and Undergraduate Research**

Students can join several organizations on campus. Some of those organizations include: Alpha Iota Delta Honor Society, Actuarial Science Club, Student Organization of Business of Economics and Information Technology, Financial Management, and Omicron Delta Epsilon Economics Honor Society. There are also opportunities for students to participate in undergraduate research through the Opportunity for Undergraduate Research Experience Program.

**Co-op and Internship Availability**

Co-op and summer intern programs are available to students. These programs provide students with the opportunity to integrate their classroom studies with learning through productive work experiences in a field related to a student’s academic or career goals.

**Entry-Level Jobs:**

- Management
- Banking
- Finance
- Education
- Public Policy
- Government

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Economics ............................................. 120 credit hours

FIRST YEAR Credit
Elective/History or Political Science ................................................................. 3
English 1120 – Exposition and Argumentation ............................................. 3
IST 1750 – Introduction to Management Info Systems ........................................ 3
IST 1551 – Implementing Info Systems/USER .................................................. 3
Math 1140 – College Algebra ............................................................................ 3
Math 1212 – Business Calculus ......................................................................... 4
Psych 1101 - General Psychology ..................................................................... 3
Econ 1100 and 1200 - Micro and Macroeconomics ........................................ 6

SECOND YEAR
BUS 1100 – Management & Organizational Behavior .................................. 3
Stat 3111 – Statistical Tools for Decision Making ............................................. 3
Econ 2100 – Intermediate Microeconomics ..................................................... 3
Elective/Science w/ Lab ..................................................................................... 4
Speech 1185 – Principles of Speech ................................................................ 3
English 1600 – Intro to Technical Communication ........................................ 3
Econ 2200 – Intermediate Macroeconomics .................................................. 3
BUS 1210 – Financial Accounting .................................................................. 3
Pol Sci 1200 – American Government .............................................................. 3
Elective/Humanities or Social Science ............................................................... 3

THIRD YEAR
Econ 2300 – Intro to Econ Statistics ................................................................. 3
English 1211, 1212, 1231, 1221, 1222, 2230, or 1223- Literature .................. 3
Speech 2181 – Communication Theory ........................................................... 3
Elective/Science ................................................................................................. 3
Electives-Free .................................................................................................... 7
Elective/Humanities or Social Science .............................................................. 3
Electives/Econ Emphasis (3 classes) ................................................................. 9

FOURTH YEAR
English 2560 – Practicum in Technical Communication ................................ 3
BUS 2910 – Business Law .................................................................................. 3
Business 4970 – Senior Business Design I ......................................................... 1
Business 4980 – Senior Business Design II ....................................................... 2
Electives/Emphasis Area (3 classes) ................................................................. 9
Electives/Free (4 classes) ................................................................................... 3

Notes
Detailed information on course equivalencies, acceptable credits for elective coursework, grade requirements, and prerequisites is available from Missouri S&T’s Registrar’s Office at registrar.mst.edu.