

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN ECONOMICS MAJOR – PUBLIC POLICY TRACK

Applied Economics Major and Economics Major Objectives

Students in the Applied Economics or Economics major will:

- Demonstrate critical thinking and problem solving skills in an economic context.
- Analyze the economic role of markets and government.
- Understand and debate social, political and current economic issues.
- Analyze global and international economic issues.
- Conduct quantitative economic data analysis and research (B.S.A.E. only).

Public Policy Track of B.A. in Economics Description

Focusing on public policy will give students the skills to understand economic, social and political issues, enable them to synthesize information and knowledge, and equip them with tools necessary to formulate new and evaluate existing policies. Being an interdisciplinary study, the focus on public policy develops critical thinking and elevates ethical sensitivities among students. In addition to graduate studies in public policy, law, economics and business, with public policy education at Bryant, students are often sought for consultation by managers and decision makers in the public as well as private sectors. Career opportunities include working in professions in law, business, government and non-government agencies.

Requirements

First-Year Gateway Experience

GFCL 100	Global Foundations of Character and Leadership
GFOB 100	Global Foundations of Organizations and Business
WRIT 106	Writing Workshop
IDEA 101	Bryant IDEA: Innovation and Design Experience For All

Economics Major Requirements - Public Policy Track ¹

ECO 313	Intermediate Microeconomics
ECO 314	Intermediate Macroeconomics
ECO 315	Econometrics
ECO 490	Capstone Economics Seminar

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Select four of the following:	
ECO 201	Money and Banking
ECO 210	Research Methods in Economics
ECO 213	Economics of Social Issues
ECO 340	Sports Economics
ECO 350	America and the Free Market
ECO 364	Industrial Organization: Government and Business
ECO 391	Economics Internship
ECO 413	Applied Microeconomics: Case Studies

ECO 414	Applied Macroeconomics: Case Studies
ECO 415	Applied Econometrics for Business and Policy
ECO 461	Environmental Economics
ECO 462	Public Finance
ECO 463	Labor Economics
ECO 473	Economics of Health and Medical Care
ECO 480	Economic Growth Policy and Practice
Select two of the following:	
COM 361	Public Relations
or COM 362 Advanced Public Speaking	
LGLS 360	Law and Society
or LGLS 411 Markets and the Law: The Uniform Commercial Code	
LGLS 382	Not for Profit Law and Governance
MATH 455	SAS Programming and Applied Statistics (Optional) ³
POLS 256	Government and Society in America
SCI 351	Ecology
or SCI 371 Human Impact on Land and Life	
SCI 355	Energy Management Strategies
SCI 452	Innovation and Global Energy Challenges
or SCI 455 Environmental Policy: Decision Making and Problem Solving	
or SCI 465 Green Technology for Sustainability	
or SCI 466 Global Health Challenges	
SOC 351	Social Problems Social Solutions ²
or SOC 451 Population and Society	
or SOC 352 Sociology of Gender, Illness, and Health	
or SOC 454 Social Theory: The Study of Isms and Phobias	
SOC 370	Crime and Justice

Liberal Arts Core Requirements

ECO 113	Microeconomic Principles
ECO 114	Macroeconomic Principles
LCS 121	Introduction to Literary Studies
MATH 110	Mathematical Analysis
MATH 201	Statistics I
Two Humanities Survey Courses	

Liberal Arts Distributions - Modes of Thought ⁴

Two Social Science Modes of Thought	
One Historical Mode of Thought (Upper Division)	
One Literary Mode of Thought (Upper Division)	
Two Scientific Modes of Thought ⁵	

Business Minor Requirement

Selection is made from a variety of business minors (Business Administration, Entrepreneurship, Finance, Global Supply Chain Management, Human Resource Management, Information Systems, International Business, Management, Marketing, Marketing Analytics, and Sales).

Electives

Subject to programmatic constraints, students may elect to take additional business courses beyond the required minor, not to exceed a combined total of 30 credit hours in the College of Business.

¹ Tracks: Within the Economics Major, choose one of three tracks

² Take one from this list requires SOC 251 as prerequisite.

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³ Students who wish to work for the government could choose to learn SAS - prerequisite is MATH 350.

⁴ Modes of Thought requirements can be met by appropriate courses in the major.

⁵ Include one Lab Science. One science must be taken at the 300 or 400 level.

A minimum 122 credit hours required for graduation