Economics

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The Economics Department offers a major through both the College of Arts and Sciences (B.A. in Economics) and the John Cook School of Business (B.S.B.A. in Economics). Madrid students pursuing the B.A. in Economics may complete their degree requirements at the Madrid Campus of Saint Louis University.

Economics is the study of how individuals, firms and nations make choices when confronted with limited resources. Students of economics learn the principles and methods that individuals and institutions, public and private, utilize to identify the costs and benefits associated with alternative decisions. In doing so, students of economics master a structured, pragmatic approach to solving problems. They are exposed to microeconomic issues that are relevant to decision-making in private business and in formulating public policy. Students are also exposed to global macroeconomic issues such as the ramifications of the changes in the international economic environment on the growth and prosperity of nations.

The knowledge and skills that the student of economics acquires are useful in almost all professions and are highly desirable for employment requiring strong analytical and problem solving skills. Students of economics find employment in both private business and in government service or pursue graduate degrees in business, economics, law, and public policy, among other areas. Students majoring in international studies, political science, mathematics, history, English, or other disciplines might find a second major, or minor in economics to be useful in the pursuit of their careers.

Economics (B.A.)

Required Courses:
ECON 190  Principles of Economics  3
DSCI 207  Introductory Business Statistics  3
ECON 312  Intermediate Macroeconomics  3

Minimum of five (5) upper-division electives in Economics selected from the following:
ECON 379  Economies of Latin America  3
ECON 408  Industrial Org and Public Policy  3
ECON 412  Law and Economics  3
ECON 416  History of Economic Analysis  3
ECON 420  Money and Banking  3
ECON 430  International Trade  3
ECON 431  Exchange Rates & the Global Econ  3
ECON 440  Labor Economics  3
ECON 445  Economics of International Migration  3
ECON 456  Economic Development  3
ECON 460  Public Finance  3
ECON 477  Introduction to Econometrics  3
ECON 493  Special Topics in Economics  3

Remaining hours
Any of the approved minors, certificate programs, or a double major can be completed to reach the 120 hours required for graduation.

Minor in Economics
In addition to meeting all Arts and Sciences degree requirements, a student must complete 18 hours of coursework in Economics, including ECON 190, ECON 312, ECON 314 and any three Economics courses (excluding ECON 480) beyond ECON 190, ECON 312, and ECON 314.