

HONOURS BSOCSC ECONOMICS

Ever wonder why some countries are richer than others? Ever question why income inequality has been growing? Ever wonder why Canadian politicians worry when other countries may be going bankrupt? Economics can answer all these questions.

Economics examines how individuals and society make choices in a world where resources are limited. It focuses on the production, distribution and consumption of goods and services. Two important themes are efficiency (the absence of waste in the use of resources) and fairness. Since making choices is central to all human activities, studying economics often helps explain why people and governments behave in certain ways.

This program is offered in English and in French.

Program Requirements

Co-operative education is available with this program.

The French immersion stream is available with this program.

Requirements for this program have been modified. Please consult the 2024-2025 calendars (<https://catalogue.uottawa.ca/en/archives/>) for the previous requirements.

Basic skills

ENG 1100	Workshop in Essay Writing	3 Units
ENG 1120	Selected Topics in Literature and Composition	3 Units
Total:		6 Units

Compulsory courses

ECO 1102	Introduction to Macroeconomics	3 Units
ECO 1104	Introduction to Microeconomics	3 Units
MAT 1302	Mathematical Methods II	3 Units
ECO 2142	Macroeconomic Theory I	3 Units
ECO 2143	Macroeconomic Theory II	3 Units
ECO 2144	Microeconomic Theory I	3 Units
ECO 2145	Microeconomic Theory II	3 Units
ECO 2150	Probability and Statistics for Economists ²	3 Units
ECO 2151	Introduction to Econometrics ²	3 Units
ECO 3145	Mathematical Economics I	3 Units
ECO 3152	Macroeconomic Theory III	3 Units
ECO 3153	Microeconomic Theory III	3 Units

Optional courses

3 course units from:	3 Units
MAT 1300 Mathematical Methods I ¹	
MAT 1308 Introduction to Calculus	
18 optional course units in economics (ECO)	18 Units
3 optional course units in economics (ECO) at the 3000 or 4000 level	3 Units

6 optional course units in economics (ECO) at the 4000 level	6 Units
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Total: 66 Units

Elective courses

48 elective course units or 18 elective course units plus a minor	48 Units
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Total: 48 Units

Note(s)

¹ Students who intend to pursue graduate studies in economics should select MAT 1300 or the sequence MAT 1320 and MAT 1322. A strong background in mathematics helps students succeed in advanced courses and graduate studies in economics.

² Students who intend to participate in the CO-OP program should take ECO 2150 and ECO 2151 in their second year.