

Bachelor of Arts in Economics

Social Economics Concentration

West Virginia State University offers a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics with a Social Science concentration. Economics is the study of how the economy works using descriptions, called models, of how individuals and organization may make decisions to achieve their goals. Economic models are used to make predictions or forecasts. The B.A. degree in Economics at this university is designed to provide the opportunity and structure for students to acquire the knowledge and proficiency necessary for success as economics professionals when they go on to work for business, government, and international organizations There are many career options available to the graduates of the economics department. These range from pursuing a professional career in government, business, finance industry, or international organization, to pursuing graduate or professional education in economics, business, law, or public health administration.

Economics Professors:

- Suvayan De, Ph.D.
- Frehot Hailou, Ph.D.
- Mahmoodul Islam, Ph.D.
- Cyrus Aleseyed, Ph.D.

Core Economics Courses

- ✓ ECON 201 PRINCIPLES OF MACROECONOMICS
- ✓ ECON 202 PRINCIPLES OF MICROECONOMICS
- ✓ ECON 301 INTERMEDIATE MACROECONOMICS
- ✓ ECON 302 INTERMEDIATE MICROECONOMICS
- ✓ ECON 410 INTERNATIONAL ECONOMICS
- ✓ ECON 420 SENIOR SEMINAR

Cognates

- ✓ BA 203 Business Statistics
 - ✓ BA 209 Math Analysis for Business Decisions or MATH 206 Analytic Geometry and Calculus I
 - ✓ BA 210 Business Law I
- PLUS ONE OF THE TWO OPTIONS BELOW:
- ✓ OPTION 1. THREE COURSES FROM ANY ONE OF FOLLOWING DISCIPLINES: POLITICAL SCIENCE, PSYCHOLOGY, OR SOCIOLOGY
 - ✓ OPTION 2. BA 215, 216 AND EITHER 313 OR 363

Social Science Concentration Courses

Take any six 300/400 level Economics courses other than those included in the Economics Core.

- ✓ 300-400 LEVEL ECONOMICS COURSE
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GENERAL EDUCATION

TIER I : 18-19 Credits

A. Freshman Experience (3 hours)

G ED 101 First Year Experience

B. Written Communication I (3 cr.) ONE of the following (3 hours)

- ENGL 101, 101E, 101H Writing and Communications I

C. Written Communication I (3 cr.) ONE of the following (3 hours)

ENGL 102, 102H: Writing and Communications II

D. Oral Communications (3 hours)

- COMM 100 Speech Communications

E. Mathematics (3 cr.)

Math 120 College Algebra

F. Scientific Reasoning (3-4 cr.)

- BIOL 101 Principles of Biology (4 hours)
- BIOL 102 Plants and Animals (4 hours)
- BIOL 108 Environmental Biology
- BIOL 110 Economic Biology (4 hours)
- BIOL 120 Fundamentals of Biology (4 hours)
- CHEM 100 Consumer Chemistry
- PHYS 103 Elements of Physical Science
- PHYS 106 Physical Geology (4 hours)
- PHYS 107 Historical Geology (4 hours)
- PHYS 110 Weather and Climate (4 hours)
- PHYS 120 Astronomy
- PHYS 170 Physics through Photography

TIER II: 17-21 Credits

A. Arts (3 hours)

- Art 101, 101H: Studio I- Introduction to Art
- COMM 170: The Art of the Theater
- MUS 107: Appreciation of Music

B. Humanities (3 hours)

- Art 100: Art Appreciation
- COMM 140, 140H: Film Appreciation
- ENGL 150, 150H: Introduction to Literature
- MUS 104: American Music: A Panorama

C. International Perspectives (3 hours)

- COMM 446: International Cinema
- INTS 210: Introduction to International Perspectives
- INTS 250: Diversity in Africana Studies
- ENGL 350: World Literature: Classical Era
- ENGL 351: World Literature: Modern Era
- ENGL 440: Interpreting the Holocaust
- **FREN 101: Beginning French
- **FREN 102: Elementary French
- FREN 205: A View of Changing Culture
- FREN 443: West African Culture
- GERM 101: Beginning German
- GERM 102: Elementary German
- **SPAN 101: Beginning Spanish
- **SPAN 102: Elementary Spanish
- SPAN 205: Spain and its Culture
- POSC 210: International Relations
- POSC 415: Arab Middle East
- PHIL 308: World Religions
- EDUC 319: Content Area Literacy
- EDUC 321: Teaching Writing in the Elementary School
- ECON 109: Intro to World Economy

D. History of Civilization (3 hours)

- HIST 201, 201H: World History
- HIST 202: World History
- HIST 207: American History to 1865
- HIST 208: American History from 1865

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E. Natural Science (3-4 hours)

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F. Social Sciences (3 hours)

- BA 210: Business Law
- BA 312: Personal Finance
- ECON 101: American Economy
- POSC 100: Introduction to Government and Politics
- POSC 101, 101H: American National Government
- PYSC 151: General Psychology
- SOC 101: Introduction to Sociology
- SOC 305: Birth, Death, and Migration
- EDUC 201: Human Growth and Development

G. Wellness (2 hours)

- HHP 122: Fitness for Living
- HHP 157, 157H: Healthy Living
- HHP 242: Team Sports II

****** Courses taken for Scientific Reasoning (Tier I) and Natural Science (Tier II) MUST be different courses.**

Check WVSU Catalog for current prerequisites as they may change periodically