

ECONOMICS, B.S.

Seven Penn State campuses are scheduled for closure after Spring 2027: DuBois, Fayette, New Kensington, Mont Alto, Shenango, Wilkes-Barre, and York. New students are not being admitted at these campuses.

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus

End Campus: University Park, World Campus

Suggested Academic Plan

The suggested academic plan(s) listed on this page are the plan(s) that are in effect during the 2026-27 academic year. To access previous years' suggested academic plans, please visit the archive (<https://bulletins.psu.edu/undergraduate/archive/>) to view the appropriate Undergraduate Bulletin edition.

Economics, B.S. at University Park Campus

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First Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
ECON 102 or 104 ^{##}	3 ECON 102 or 104 ^{##}	3
ENGL 15, 30H, or ESL 15 (GWS) [‡]	3 MATH 110 or 140 (GQ) ^{*‡}	4
LA 83	1.5 General Education Course (IL or US Cultures)	3
General Education Course (Inter-Domain)	3 General Education Course (Inter-Domain)	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
General Education Course (First Year Seminar)	3	
	16.5	16

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
ECON 106 [*]	3 ECON 302 or 304 [*]	3
ECON 302 or 304 [*]	3 CMPSC 101 or 203 (GQ) ^{*‡}	3
CAS 100A, 100B, or 100C (GWS) [‡]	3 LA 283	1.5
General Education Course (IL or US Cultures)	3 300 Level ECON Course [*]	3
Elective	3 Arts, Humanities, Social and Behavioral Science from approved Department List [*]	3
	Elective	3
	15	16.5

Third Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
300/400 Level ECON Course [*]	3 300/400 Level ECON Course [*]	3
ECON 306 [*]	3 400 level ECON Course [*]	3

Arts, Humanities, Social and Behavioral Science from approved Department List [*]	3 Social and Behavioral Science from approved Department List [*]	3
General Education Course (Writing Across the Curriculum)	3 Quantification from approved Department List [*]	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
	15	15

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
400 Level ECON Course [*]	3 400 Level ECON Course [*]	3
ENGL 202A, 202B, 202C, or 202D (GWS) [‡]	3 General Education Course (GHW)	1.5
General Education Course (GHW)	1.5 General Education Course	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
	Elective	2
	13.5	15.5

Total Credits 123

* Course requires a grade of C or better for the major

‡ Course requires a grade of C or better for General Education

Course is an Entrance to Major requirement

† Course satisfies General Education and degree requirement

University Requirements and General Education Notes:

US and IL are abbreviations used to designate courses that satisfy Cultural Diversity Requirements (United States and International Cultures).

W, M, X, and Y are the suffixes at the end of a course number used to designate courses that satisfy University Writing Across the Curriculum requirement.

General Education includes Foundations (GWS and GQ), Knowledge Domains (GHW, GN, GA, GH, GS) and Integrative Studies (Inter-domain) requirements. N or Q (Honors) is the suffix at the end of a course number used to help identify an Inter-domain course, but the inter-domain attribute is used to fill audit requirements. Foundations courses (GWS and GQ) require a grade of 'C' or better.

All incoming Schreyer Honors College first-year students at University Park will take ENGL 137H/CAS 137H in the fall semester and ENGL 138T/CAS 138T in the spring semester. These courses carry the GWS designation and satisfy a portion of that General Education requirement. If the student's program prescribes GWS these courses will replace both ENGL 15/ENGL 30H and CAS 100A/CAS 100B/CAS 100C. Each course is 3 credits.

Advising Notes:

- 24 credits within the major must be completed at University Park (policy 83-80). Talk with your academic adviser for additional details.

Economics, B.S. at Commonwealth Campuses

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ECON 102 or 104 ^{*#}	3 ECON 102 or 104 ^{*#}	3
ENGL 15, 30H, or ESL 15 (GWS) [‡]	3 MATH 110 or 140 (GQ) ^{*†}	4
General Education Course (First Year Seminar)	3 General Education Course (IL or US Cultures)	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course (Inter-Domain)	3
General Education Course	3 General Education Course	3
15		16

Second Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
CMPSC 101 or 203 (GQ) ^{*†}	3 General Education Course (Inter-Domain)	3
CAS 100A, 100B, or 100C (GWS) [‡]	3 General Education Course (Writing Across the Curriculum)	3
Social and Behavioral Science from approved Department List [*]	3 Arts, Humanities, Social and Behavioral Science from approved Department List [*]	3
General Education Course (IL or US Cultures)	3 Elective	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
15		15

Third Year

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ECON 302 or 304 [*]	3 ECON 302 or 304 [*]	3
ECON 106 [*]	3 ECON 306 [*]	3
LA 283	1.5 300 Level ECON Course [*]	3
Quantification from approved Department List [*]	3 Arts, Humanities, Social and Behavioral Science from approved Department List [*]	3
Elective	3 Elective	3
Elective	3	
16.5		15

Fourth Year

Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
300/400 Level ECON Course [*]	3 400 Level ECON Course [*]	3
300/400 Level ECON Course [*]	3 400 Level ECON Course [*]	3
400 Level ECON Course [*]	3 General Education Course (GHW)	1.5
General Education Course (GHW)	1.5 Elective	3

ENGL 202A, 202B, 202C, or 202D (GWS) [‡]	3 Elective	3
Elective		2
13.5		15.5

Total Credits 121.5

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