Economics, BA

Academic Plans

Four-Year Graduation Plan

The following checkpoints list the minimum requirements students must complete by certain semesters in order to stay on the university's Four-Year Graduation Plan.

Before the third semester begins: at least one-quarter of the semester hours required for graduation.

Before the fifth semester begins: at least half of the semester hours required for graduation.

Before the seventh semester begins:

Before the eighth semester begins: at least two applied field courses.

During the eighth semester: all remaining coursework in the major, all remaining GE CLAS Core courses, and a sufficient number of semester hours to graduate.

Sample Plan of Study

Sample plans represent one way to complete a program of study. Actual course selection and sequence will vary and should be discussed with an academic advisor. For additional sample plans, see MyUI.

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Course | Title | Hours
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**Academic Career**
Any Semester
- GE CLAS Core: Sustainability

**First Year**

Fall
- ECON:1100 Principles of Microeconomics 4
- ENGL:1200 The Interpretation of Literature or RHET:1030 Rhetoric 3 - 4
- GE CLAS Core: World Languages First Level Proficiency or elective course 4 - 5
- CSI:1600 Success at Iowa 2
- Elective course 2

**Hours** 15-17

Spring
- ECON:1200 Principles of Macroeconomics or MATH:1350 Quantitative Reasoning for Business 4
- ENGL:1200 The Interpretation of Literature or RHET:1030 Rhetoric 3 - 4
- GE CLAS Core: World Languages Second Level Proficiency or elective course 4 - 5

**Hours** 15-17

**Total Hours** 122-128

Second Year

Fall
- ECON:3100 or ECON:3150 Intermediate Microeconomics 3
- STAT:1030 Statistics for Business 4
- GE CLAS Core: Diversity and Inclusion 3
- GE CLAS Core: World Languages Third Level Proficiency or elective course 4 - 5
- Elective course 2

**Hours** 16-17

Spring
- ECON:3100 or ECON:3150 Intermediate Microeconomics 3
- ECON:3300 Introduction to Econometrics 3
- GE CLAS Core: Natural Sciences with Lab 4
- GE CLAS Core: World Languages Fourth Level Proficiency or elective course 4 - 5
- Elective course 2

**Hours** 16-17

Third Year

Fall
- Major: applied field course 3
- Major: applied field course 3
- GE CLAS Core: Historical Perspectives 3
- Elective course 3
- Elective course 3

**Hours** 15

Spring
- Major: applied field course 3
- GE CLAS Core: Natural Sciences without Lab 3
- GE CLAS Core: International and Global Issues 3
- Elective course 3
- Elective course 3

**Hours** 15

Fourth Year

Fall
- Major: applied field course 3
- GE CLAS Core: Values and Culture 3
- Elective course 3
- Elective course 3
- Elective course 3

**Hours** 15

Spring
- Major: applied field course 3
- GE CLAS Core: Literary, Visual, and Performing Arts 3
- Elective course 3
- Elective course 3
- Elective course 3

Degree Application: apply on MyUI before deadline (typically in February for spring, September for fall)

**Hours** 15

**Total Hours** 122-128

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a Sustainability must be completed by choosing a course that has been approved for Sustainability AND for one of these
General Education areas: Natural Sciences; Quantitative and Formal Reasoning; Social Sciences; Historical Perspectives; International and Global Issues; Literary, Visual, and Performing Arts; or Values and Culture.
b Fulfills a major requirement and may fulfill a GE requirement.
c Students who have completed four levels of a single language or two levels of two different languages in high school or college have satisfied the GE CLAS Core World Languages requirement. Students who have completed three levels of a single language may complete a fourth-level course in the same language or may choose an approved World Language and Cultural Exploration course. Enrollment in world languages courses requires a placement exam, unless enrolling in a first-semester-level course. Contact your academic advisor or CLAS Undergraduate Programs Office with questions concerning the World Languages requirement.
d Students may use elective courses to earn credit towards the total s.h. required for graduation or to complete a double major, minors, or certificates.
e Enrollment in math courses requires completion of a placement exam.
f Both ECON:3100 and ECON:3150 must be completed at the University of Iowa.
g GE CLAS Core courses may be completed in any order unless used as a prerequisite for another course. Students should consult with an advisor about the best sequencing of courses.
h Students must complete five ECON courses (15 s.h.) numbered 3325-3875, excluding ECON:3870.
i At least three of the applied field courses must be completed at the University of Iowa.
j Please see Academic Calendar, Office of the Registrar website for current degree application deadlines. Students should apply for a degree for the session in which all requirements will be met. For any questions on appropriate timing, contact your academic advisor or Degree Services.