

## • ECONOMICS (ECN)

Wants are unlimited while resources are not. Individuals and firms in a variety of circumstances across the world face versions of this basic dilemma. The study of Economics provides a clear and logical perspective for analyzing and understanding these perplexing situations. The coursework is a mixture of basic economic theory and applications of that theory to problems encountered by households, by businesses, and by societies across the globe.

The general applicability of Economics is one reason why it is a popular major. Students also frequently choose Economics as a minor; its logic and applications combine well with topics in other disciplines. Economics training enhances logical reasoning and analytical skills, skills that are useful in a wide variety of occupational fields in business and government. A degree in Economics is also excellent preparation for further study, especially in law or business. See an Economics faculty member or a campus advisor for more information.

**Requirements for the B.A./B.S. Degree:** Within the 120-semester-hour program as listed in the General Requirements section, students must complete a minimum of 21 hours of upper-level economics beyond the foundation courses for business.

**Required Economics Courses:**

ECO 3101 Intermediate Price Theory or	
ECP 3703 Managerial Economics	3
ECO 3203 Intermediate Macroeconomics	3
15 hours of upper-level economics courses (may include FIN 3233)	<u>15</u>
Total	21

Students must obtain a grade of "C-" or higher in ECO 3101 Intermediate Price Theory or ECO 3703 Managerial Economics to enroll in any course for which ECO 3101 or ECP 3703 is a prerequisite. Students cannot take both ECO 3101 and ECP 3703 for credit. No more than 3 hours credit can be applied toward a major from ECO 4905 and/or ECO 4914. At least 12 hours must be taken in residence at USFSP. A grade point average of 2.0 or higher must be achieved in all major course work at USF and an overall 2.0 GPA including transfer work.

**Requirements for a Minor in Economics:** All students can earn a minor in Economics by satisfactorily completing 18 hours in Economics. The requirements are:

1. ECO 2013 Economic Principles: Macroeconomics	3
ECO 2023 Economic Principles: Microeconomics	3
Upper-level economics electives (may include QMB 3200 and FIN 3233)	<u>12</u>
Total Economics Hours	18

Business majors can obtain a minor with 9 additional upper-level hours in economics beyond the foundation requirements for business.

2. Before being recognized as a minor in economics, a student must obtain program approval by the academic advisor in DAV 134.
3. A grade point average of 2.0 or higher must be achieved in minor course work at USF and in all minor courses completed at other institutions. ECO 4905 and ECO 4914 may not be counted toward the minor.
4. At least 9 hours must be taken in residence at USF.