The certificate in development economics gives students a solid foundation of analytical skills that will enable them to better understand the challenges created by world poverty. They will learn how economics can be used to address the problems of poverty and the impact of globalization on growth and development. Students will focus on such issues as: the relationship between population growth and economic growth, the major debates about food self-sufficiency and food security, how child labor and gender discrimination limit economic development and what environmental problems are posed by economic development.

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HOW TO GET IN

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REQUIREMENTS

Code    Title                                      Credits
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In order to declare the certificate, the student must have successfully completed one of the following:
A A E 215  Introduction to Agricultural and Applied Economics          3
ECON 101   Principles of Microeconomics                  3
ECON 111   Principles of Economics-Accelerated Treatment                  3

The certificate requires five courses.

Complete two core courses:
A A E/ECON 474 Economic Problems of Developing Areas              3
A A E/INTL ST 373 Globalization, Poverty and Development          3
or A A E/INTL ST 374 The Growth and Development of Nations in the Global Economy 3

Select one course from the following:                               3
A A E 319  The International Agricultural Economy                3
A A E/AGRONOMY/INTER-AG/NUTR SCI 350 World Hunger and Malnutrition

Total Credits                                                   15

A student may combine this certificate with any other certificate and/or major. However, students with a major in agricultural and applied economics, a major in economics, or a major in the Politics and Policy in the Global Economy option in international studies may count no more than 6 credits toward both their major requirements and the requirements for the certificate in development economics.

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