# ECONOMIC ANALYTICS, CERTIFICATE

The Department of Economics is happy to announce its Certificate in Economic Analytics. When analyzing data, economists use many of the same statistical tools as other disciplines. However, economists have a tradition of formally combining data analysis with economic models, giving a different perspective on data and how to think about data analysis. This certificate will introduce non-Economics majors to this economic approach to data analytics.

An economist's approach to data analysis has two distinguishing features. First, economists traditionally interpret observational data through the lens of an economic model. This often leads to an explicit derivation of the data-generating process, typically involving individual optimization. Second, economists tend to focus on identification and causal inference more than many other disciplines. This involves looking for combinations of data and empirical approaches that allow empirical relationships to be interpreted causally.

This certificate will introduce students to this perspective and these tools by teaching students a mix of microeconomic theory, statistics and econometrics, and hands-on experience analyzing real data.

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There are no prerequisites to declaring the certificate; students are encouraged to declare as soon as they are comfortable. Declaration of the certificate occurs via an online form, but students are encouraged to schedule a meeting with an Economics advisor.

Economics majors are not eligible to declare this certificate.

### REQUIREMENTS

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The certificate requires at least 14 credits, from:

Code	Title	Credits	
Complete one option from each category:			
Microeconomics (complete one course):		3-4	
ECON 301	Intermediate Microeconomic Theory		
ECON 311	Intermediate Microeconomic Theory - Advanced Treatment		
Statistics (complete one option):		4-8	
ECON 310	Statistics: Measurement in Economics		
STAT 240 & STAT 340	Data Science Modeling I and Data Science Modeling II		
STAT 303 & STAT 333	R for Statistics I and Applied Regression Analysis		
Econometrics (complete one course)		4	
ECON 400	Introduction to Applied Econometrics		

<b>Total Credits</b>		14
ECON 695	Topics in Economic Data Analysis	
ECON 570	Fundamentals of Data Analytics for Economists	
ECON 460	Economic Forecasting	
Data-Related E	Economics Elective (complete one course):	3-4
ECON 410	Introductory Econometrics	

# RESIDENCE AND QUALITY OF WORK

- · Minimum 2.000 GPA on all certificate courses
- · At least 7 credits must be taken in residence at UW-Madison

# CERTIFICATION COMPLETION REQUIREMENT

This undergraduate certificate must be completed concurrently with the student's undergraduate degree. Students cannot delay degree completion to complete the certificate.

## **LEARNING OUTCOMES**

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- apply microeconomic models to understand and interpret individual behavior and market outcomes as the result of individual optimization
- 2. estimate the value of unknown parameters and test theories using formal hypothesis tests
- summarize the conditions required for a statistical association to represent a causal relationship; evaluate the extent to which those conditions hold in particular settings; interpret the results when those conditions don't hold
- 4. download, clean, and analyze large economic datasets using modern statistical software

# **ADVISING AND CAREERS**

# ADVISING AND CAREERS ACADEMIC ADVISING

If you are wondering how this certificate can fit into your academic plans or help with your career goals, be sure to meet with an advisor. Our academic advisors (https://econ.wisc.edu/undergraduate/find-academic-advising/) can help you create an academic plan and ensure you are making the most of your academic experience. Find us on the campus map (https://www.map.wisc.edu/?initObj=bdg\_SocSc&z=41.33&x=-0.158401&y=-0.09157).

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# ECONOMICS CAREER DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

The Economics Career Development Office (https://econ.wisc.edu/careers/) (ECDO) provides career advising to help economics students explore career options and search for jobs and internships including reviewing application materials (cover letter and resume). Career advisors work with students to develop an individualized job/internship strategy

based on the student's background and career goals. Career advising is open to declared economics majors, anyone considering majoring in economics, or students pursuing the Economic Analytics certificate who would like economics-specific career advice. Set up an appointment (https://econ.wisc.edu/careers/get-career-advice/) or email your questions to econcareers@ssc.wisc.edu.

#### L&S CAREER RESOURCES

Every L&S major opens a world of possibilities. SuccessWorks (https://successworks.wisc.edu/) at the College of Letters & Science helps students turn the academic skills learned in their major, certificates, and other coursework into fulfilling lives after graduation, whether that means jobs, public service, graduate school or other career pursuits.

In addition to providing basic support like resume reviews and interview practice, SuccessWorks offers ways to explore interests and build career skills from their very first semester/term at UW all the way through graduation and beyond.

Students can explore careers in one-on-one advising, try out different career paths, complete internships, prepare for the job search and/or graduate school applications, and connect with supportive alumni and even employers in the fields that inspire them.

- SuccessWorks (https://careers.ls.wisc.edu/)
- Set up a career advising appointment (https://successworks.wisc.edu/make-an-appointment/)
- Enroll in a Career Course (https://successworks.wisc.edu/career-courses/) a great idea for first- and second-year students:
  - INTER-LS 210 L&S Career Development: Taking Initiative (1 credit)
  - INTER-LS 215 Communicating About Careers (3 credits, fulfills Comm B General Education Requirement)
- Learn about internships and internship funding (https://successworks.wisc.edu/finding-a-job-or-internship/)
  - INTER-LS 260 Internship in the Liberal Arts and Sciences
- Activate your Handshake account (https://successworks.wisc.edu/ handshake/) to apply for jobs and internships from 200,000+ employers recruiting UW-Madison students
- Learn about the impact SuccessWorks has on students' lives (https://successworks.wisc.edu/about/mission/)

### **PEOPLE**

# PEOPLE FACULTY

- Aizawa, Naoki, Associate Professor
   Labor Economics, Health Economics, Public Economics
- Barwick, Panle, Professor Industrial Organization, Applied Microeconomics, Environmental Econometrics
- Bernard, Benjamin, Assistant Professor
   Game Theory, Microeconomic Theory, Financial Economics
- Boerma, Job, Assistant Professor Macroeconomics, Public Finance
- Braxton, Carter, Assistant Professor
   Macroeconomics, Labor Economics, Consumer Finance
- Camboni, Matteo, Assistant Professor
   Microeconomic Theory, Economics of Organizations

- Chiang, Harold, Assistant Professor Econometrics
- Corbae, Dean, Professor Macroeconomics
- Coulibaly, Louphou, Assistant Professor International Finance and Macroeconomics, Monetary Economics
- Cox, Lydia, Assistant Professor International Trade and Macroeconomics
- Deneckere, Raymond, Professor
   Microeconomic Theory, Industrial Organization
- Engel, Charles, Professor International Economics, Macroeconomics
- Fu, Chao, Professor Labor Economics
- Gregory, Jesse, Associate Professor Labor Economics, Public Economics
- Agustin Gutierrez, Postdoctoral Fellow International trade, Macroeconomics, Labor Economics
- Hansen, Bruce, Professor Econometrics
- Hendricks, Kennan, Professor Industrial Organization
- Houde, Jean-Francois, Professor Industrial Organization
- Kang, Karam, Associate Professor
   Political Economy, Industrial Organization, Environmental Economics
- Kennan, John, Professor Labor Economics
- Kirpalani, Rishabh, Assistant Professor
   Macroeconomics, Public Finance, International Economics, Financial Economics
- Lentz, Rasmus, Professor
   Labor Economics, Macroeconomics, Microeconomics
- Magnolfi, Lorenzo, Assistant Professor Industrial Organization, Applied Microeconomics, Applied Econometrics
- Martellini, Paolo, Assistant Professor
   Macroeconomics, Labor Economics, Urban Economics
- Mommaerts, Corina, Assistant Professor Public Economics, Labor Economics
- O'Connell, Martin, Assistant Professor Public Economics, Industrial Organization
- Porter, Jack, Professor Econometrics
- Quint, Daniel, Associate Professor Microeconomic Theory, Industrial Organization
- Rojas-Ampuero, Fernanda, Assistant Professor Labor Economics
- Rostek, Marzena, Professor
   Microeconomic Theory, Market Design, Finance
- Ruhl, Kim, Professor International Economics
- Seshadri, Ananth, Professor Macroeconomics, Public Finance
- Shi, Xiaoxia, Professor Econometrics
- · Smith, Jeffrey, Professor

Labor Economics, Public Economics

- Smith, Lones, Professor Microeconomic Theory
- Sorensen, Alan, Professor Industrial Organization
- Sullivan, Christopher, Assistant Professor Industrial Organization, Applied Microeconomics
- Swanson, Ashley, Associate Professor Industrial Organization, Health Economics, Education Economics
- Taber, Christopher, Professor
   Labor Economics, Applied Econometrics, Public Economics
- Weretka, Marek, Associate Professor Economic Theory, Finance
- West, Kenneth, Professor Macroeconomics, Econometrics
- Williams, Noah, Professor Macroeconomics
- Wiswall, Matthew, Professor Applied Microeconomics, Applied Econometrics, Labor Economics, Education and Demographic Economics
- Wright, Randall, Professor Macroeconomics, Finance
- Yata, Kohei, Assistant Professor
   Econometric Theory, Applied Econometrics

#### **AFFILIATED FACULTY**

- Chang, Briana
  - Financial Intermediation, Information Frictions, Search and Matching Theory
- · Chinn, Menzie
- Chung, Kevin
- Quantitative Marketing
- Montgomery, James
- Economic Sociology, Religion, General Social Theory, Demography and Ecology, Social Psychology and Microsociology
- Sarada
  - Economics of Entrepreneurship and Innovation
- · Schechter, Laura
  - Development Economics, Behavioral and Experimental Economics, Risk Analysis
- Smeeding, Timothy
- Poverty, Intergenerational Mobility, Inequality, Wealth

#### **INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF**

- Alder, Simeon, Faculty Associate
   Macroeconomics, Growth and Development, Matching
- · Chan, Stella, Lecturer
- Eudey, Gwen, Senior Lecturer
   Open Economy Macroeconomics
- Friedman, Matthew, Lecturer
- · Glawtschew, Rebecca, Lecturer
- Hansen, David, Lecturer
- Development Economics and Labor Economics
- Hansen, Korinna, Senior Lecturer Applied Microeconomics, Health Economics
- Johnson, David, Senior Lecturer
- · McKelvey, Christopher, Lecturer

**Development Economics** 

- · Pac, Gregory, Senior Lecturer
- · Rick, Steven, Senior Lecturer
- · Trost, Steve, Lecturer

For a public directory of our faculty, please visit the Faculty page (https://econ.wisc.edu/faculty/) on our website.