

# ECONOMICS, BS

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#### ACADEMIC ADVISING

Academic advising (<https://econ.wisc.edu/undergraduate/find-academic-advising/>), along with general information about the undergraduate major and coursework, is available in Room 7238 of the Social Science Building. Find us on the campus map ([http://www.map.wisc.edu/?initObj=bdg\\_SocSc&z=41.33&x=-0.158401&y=-0.09157](http://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 search strategy based on the student's background and career goals. Career advising is open to declared economics majors or anyone considering majoring in economics 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](mailto:econcareers@ssc.wisc.edu)

#### PREPARATION FOR PHD PROGRAMS IN ECONOMICS

Students interested in pursuing graduate study should pursue Option B (mathematical emphasis) and augment the standard curriculum with higher-level mathematics and statistics courses. These may include:

Code	Title	Credits
MATH/STAT 309	Introduction to Probability and Mathematical Statistics I	
MATH/STAT 310	Introduction to Probability and Mathematical Statistics II	
MATH 421	The Theory of Single Variable Calculus	
MATH/STAT 431	Introduction to the Theory of Probability	
MATH 521	Analysis I	
MATH 522	Analysis II	
MATH/ISYE/ OTM/STAT 632	Introduction to Stochastic Processes	

It is important to consult early in the second year with the undergraduate advisor and/or the faculty member who directs the undergraduate program to design a plan of coursework.

#### DIRECTED STUDY

Directed Study (ECON 698, ECON 699) enables advanced students to pursue economic topics not covered in the regular course offerings. A student interested in Directed Study should prepare a research proposal and/or reading list; specific course requirements are arranged with an

instructor who agrees to supervise the directed study project. Enrollment requires the consent of the instructor; a GPA of 3.00 or above in ECON; completion of the Intermediate economic theory courses (ECON 301 & ECON 302); at least one CORE ECON course.

Any undergraduate economics student considering a Directed Study should meet with an Undergraduate Academic Advising Economics advisor often for consultation.

#### INTERNSHIPS

Students can earn one credit for approved internships appropriate to the study of economics under course ECON 228. Students must enroll for ECON 228 in the same semester/session in which the internship is granted. Students should work a minimum of 100 hours per term. Prerequisites are declaration in the major economics major; a major GPA of 2.200 or higher; completion of at least four ECON courses at UW-Madison; completion of at least one Intermediate Theory course (ECON 301 & ECON 302); and departmental approval.

#### 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/>)