Bachelor of Arts in Economics

The major in economics exposes a student to the economist's way of thinking about social problems and behavior. The major helps a student understand the economic aspect of current events and public policy and is good preparation for careers in law and business.

The student honorary fraternity is Omicron Delta Epsilon. Along with the more general student organization, The Economics Society, it provides opportunities for students to network with other students and with practicing economists in learning more about economics and finding internships and employment opportunities.

There is also a Cooperative Education option. Through this program, students may earn income while gaining valuable work experience which can enhance their job market prospects upon graduation. By completing an academic research project under the guidance of a faculty member, Co-op students may earn credit for ECON 3581.

Summary of Degree Requirements

1. University Requirements:
   - MATH 0701 (4 s.h.) and/or ENG 0701 (4 s.h.), if required by placement testing.
   - All Temple students must take a minimum of two writing-intensive courses as part of the major. The specific courses required for this major are ECON 3598 and one of the following: ECON 3596, ECON 3597, ECON 3696.
   - Students must complete requirements of the General Education (GenEd) Program. See the General Education section of the Undergraduate Bulletin for more details.

2. College of Liberal Arts Requirements:
   - Completion of a minimum of 123 credits, including: 90 credits in CLA/CST courses, 45 credits of which must be at the upper level (numbered 2000-4999). For Social Science majors, 6 upper level credits must be taken in the Humanities Departments (English, French, German, Greek and Roman Classics, Hebrew, Italian, Japanese (only available at our Japan campus), Philosophy, Religion, Russian, and Spanish), Art History, or any department in the College of Science and Technology.
   - A minimum GPA of 2.0, cumulatively, in CLA/CST coursework, and in the major.
   - Only courses in which a student receives a grade of at least C- can satisfy GenEd, major, minor, or CLA Foreign Language and Global Studies requirements.

3. Foreign Language/Global Studies Requirements:
   a. All students must complete the second level of a foreign language;
   b. All students must complete at least one course from the GenEd Global/World Society category; and
   c. All students must complete one of the following options:
      - Third level of a foreign language;
      - Demonstrated proficiency in a foreign language;
      - A second General Education Global/World Society course;
      - Study Abroad at an approved program; or
      - Take one Global Studies course from the list on the CLA College Graduation Requirements page.

4. General Electives are typically one-third of a student’s program of study and can be focused on a second major, a minor, or towards some other personal enrichment or professional goals. See an academic advisor for assistance in developing an academic plan for these courses.

5. Major Requirements (37 credits):
   - Required Courses
     - ECON 1101 Macroeconomic Principles ³ 3
     - or ECON 1901 Honors Macroeconomic Principles
     - ECON 1102 Microeconomic Principles ³ 3
     - or ECON 1902 Honors Microeconomic Principles
     - STAT 2103 Statistical Business Analytics 4
     - ECON 3501 Intermediate Microeconomic Analysis 3
     - ECON 3502 Intermediate Macroeconomic Analysis 3
     - ECON 3563 International Trade 3
     - or ECON 3564 International Monetary Economics
   - Writing-intensive elective
     - Select one of the following: 3
     - ECON 3596 Energy, Ecology, and Economy
ECON 3597  
Health Economics  
ECON 3696  
Behavioral Economics  

**Capstone Course**  
ECON 3598  
Economics Writing Seminar  

**Major Electives**  
Three electives in Economics at the 3000 level or above  
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One additional elective in Economics at the 3000+ level or related field.  
3  

**Total Credit Hours**  
37  

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1 These courses are prerequisites for most of the Economics 2000-3999 courses. Check specific course descriptions for details.  
2 Course in Economics at the 3000+ level or course in the College of Liberal Arts at the 2000+ level related to the student's program in Economics. This course is to be chosen in consultation with an Economics faculty advisor.  

Note: Students preparing for graduate study in economics or in an economics-related area are strongly encouraged to take ECON 3504 Mathematical Economics, ECON 3503 Introduction to Econometrics and courses in calculus and linear algebra in the Mathematics department.  

**Suggested Academic Plan**  
**Bachelor of Arts in Economics**  
**Requirements for New Students starting in the 2014-2015 Academic Year**  

**Year 1**  

**Fall**  
ENG 0802, 0812, or 0902  
Analytical Reading and Writing [GW]  
GenEd Quantitative Literacy Course [GQ]  
Foreign Language 1001 - first level  
GenEd Breadth Course  

**Spring**  
IH 0851 or 0951  
Mosaic: Humanities Seminar I [GY]  
Foreign Language 1002 - second level  
GenEd Breadth Course  
GenEd Breadth Course  
ECON 1101 or 1901  
Macroeconomic Principles  

**Year 2**  

**Fall**  
IH 0852 or 0952  
Mosaic: Humanities Seminar II [GZ]  
GenEd Breadth Course  
GenEd Breadth Course  
ECON 1102 or 1902  
Microeconomic Principles  
One 0800+ Elective in Any School or College  
Select one of the following:  
Foreign Language - third level  
GenEd Global/World Society Course  
Internationally Focused Course From Approved List  

**Spring**  
GenEd Breadth Course  
GenEd Breadth Course  
ECON 3501  
Intermediate Microeconomic Analysis  
CLA/CST 2000+ Course  
CLA/CST 2000+ Course  

**Term Credit Hours**  
15
## Year 3
### Fall
- One 2000+ Humanities/CST Course 3
- ECON 3502 Intermediate Macroeconomic Analysis 3
- STAT 2103 Statistical Business Analytics 4
- CLA/CST 0800+ Elective 3
- Select one of the following: 3
  - One 3000+ Economics Course
  - One 2000+ Approved CLA Elective

### Spring
- One 2000+ Humanities/CST Course 3
- One 3000+ Economics Elective 3
- One 2000+ CLA/CST Course 3
- CLA/CST 0800+ Elective 3
- Select one of the following: 3
  - ECON 3563 International Trade
  - ECON 3564 International Monetary Economics

### Term Credit Hours: 16

## Year 4
### Fall
- One 3000+ Economics Elective 3
- CLA/CST 0800+ Elective 3
- CLA/CST 0800+ Elective 3
- CLA/CST 0800+ Elective 3
- Select one of the following: 3
  - ECON 3596 Energy, Ecology, and Economy [WI]
  - ECON 3597 Health Economics [WI]
  - ECON 3696 Behavioral Economics [WI]

### Spring
- One 3000+ Economics Elective 3
- ECON 3598 Economics Writing Seminar [WI] (Capstone) 3
- CLA/CST 0800+ Elective 3
- CLA/CST 0800+ Elective 3
- One 0800+ Elective in Any School or College 2

### Total Credit Hours: 123