ECONOMICS - 5-YEAR BACHELOR OF SCIENCE/MASTER OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

The Joint-Degree Program between the Department of Economics and The Bush School of Government and Public Service allows undergraduate Economics students to enter the Master of International Affairs Program, with a focus in International Economics and Development, at the beginning of their fourth year at Texas A&M University. This program combines the teaching of analytical thinking skills and applications to better understand human behavior as it relates to international economic development along with skills in diplomacy, research, and development of a global perspective.

Students will be required to complete the same two-year, 48-hour curriculum as other students admitted to the Bush School’s MPIA program. Students will double-count 6 hours of Bush School courses toward the undergraduate major coursework area, 3 hours toward ECMT 463, and up to 9 hours toward general electives in the Bachelor of Science degree in Economics. At the completion of the joint degree, students are prepared for a wide variety of post-graduate opportunities including: employment in global commerce, government, government contracting, national security, and transfer pricing.

Students interested in this program will apply during the fall of their junior year and, if admitted, begin taking masters-level courses in the fall of their senior year with an undergraduate classification. Students may not be applied toward the major. ECON 323 may not be applied toward the major.

Program Requirements

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Select one of the following:

- ENGL 210 Technical and Business Writing
- COMM 203 Public Speaking
- COMM 205 Communication for Technical Professions
- COMM 243 Argumentation and Debate
- Literature in English ([link](http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts/#bs-requirements)) 6
- MATH 141 Finite Mathematics or MATH 166 or Topics in Contemporary Mathematics II
- Select one of the following: 3
  - MATH 131 Mathematical Concepts—Calculus
  - MATH 151 Engineering Mathematics I
  - MATH 142 Business Calculus
- ECMT 461 Economic Data Analysis 3
- ECMT 463 Introduction to Econometrics 3,4 3
- Life and physical sciences ([link](http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences)) 9
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- American history ([link](http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#american-history)) 6
- POLS 206 American National Government 3
- POLS 207 State and Local Government 3
- International and Cultural Diversity ([link](http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/degree-information/international-cultural-diversity-requirements)) 7
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Total Semester Credit Hours 120

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1. ECON 322 may not be applied toward the major.
2. ECON 323 is a pre-requisite for most ECON electives.
3. Must make a grade of C or better.
4. Student must complete ECMT 461 or equivalent STAT course (Pre-approved by an advisor) prior to ECMT 463.
5. No course can be counted in more than one category.
ECON 100-ECON 499 (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/econ) and ECMT 100-ECMT 499 (http://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/ecmt) may not be used to fulfill this requirement.

6 required hours. These courses may also be used to satisfy any other requirement.

The student may select any courses other than economics courses and ENGL 103 as free electives. No more than 11 credits of any combination of military, air or naval science and physical activity will be allowed to count as electives. Students may also use up to 18 hours of free electives to pursue a minor.

Total of 33 credits. No more than 39 credits in economics and econometrics can be applied to this degree. A grade of C or higher is required for a course to be counted in the major field.

Students are reclassified as degree seeking master’s students upon completing 96 credit hours, typically in the following semester.

Students will double-count 6 hours of Bush School courses toward the undergraduate major coursework area, 3 hours toward ECMT 463, and up to 9 hours toward general electives in the Bachelor of Science degree in Economics.

Economic Electives

In addition to the electives for the BA in ECON, the following courses may be selected for the ECON-MIA program: BUSH 632, BUSH 635; INTA 608, INTA 616, INTA 625, INTA 630, INTA 632.

See the MIA program in the Graduate Catalog for MIA requirements.