

ECONOMICS - 5-YEAR BACHELOR OF SCIENCE AND MASTER OF PUBLIC SERVICE ADMINISTRATION

This program combines the teaching of analytical thinking skills and applications to better understand human behavior as it relates to public policy and management along with skills in leadership and research methods.

Program Requirements

First Year

Fall		Semester Credit Hours	
ECON 202	Principles of Economics	3	
ENGL 104 or ENGL 103	Composition and Rhetoric or Introduction to Rhetoric and Composition	3	
MATH 140	Mathematics for Business and Social Sciences ¹	3	
American history (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#american-history)		3	
Creative arts (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#creative-arts)		3	
Semester Credit Hours		15	
Spring			
ECON 203	Principles of Economics	3	
MATH 142	Business Calculus ²	3	
Communication (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#communication)		3	
Government/Political science (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#government-political-science)		3	
Language, philosophy and culture (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#language-philosophy-culture)		3	
Semester Credit Hours		15	

Second Year

Fall			
ACCT 209	Survey of Accounting Principles	3	
ECMT 461	Economic Data Analysis	3	
ECON 323	Microeconomic Theory ³	3	
Language, philosophy and culture or creative arts (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#language-philosophy-culture)		3	
Social and behavioral sciences (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#social-behavioral-sciences)		3	

Literature directed elective (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/arts-and-sciences/)	3
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Semester Credit Hours 18

Spring

ACCT 210	Survey of Managerial and Cost Accounting Principles	3
ECMT 463	Introduction to Econometrics ⁴	3
ECON 410	Macroeconomic Theory	3
Government/Political science (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#government-political-science)		3
Life and physical sciences (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences)		3
Literature directed elective (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/arts-and-sciences/)		3

Semester Credit Hours 18

Third Year

Fall			
American history (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#american-history)		3	
Life and physical sciences (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences)		3	
Economics elective ⁵		3	
Economics elective ⁵		3	
General elective ⁶		3	
General elective ⁶		3	

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Spring

Life and physical sciences (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#life-physical-sciences)		3	
Social and behavioral sciences (https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/university-core-curriculum/#social-behavioral-sciences)		3	
Economics elective ⁵		3	
Economics elective ⁵		3	
General elective ⁶		3	
General elective ⁶		3	

Semester Credit Hours 18

Fourth Year

Fall			
BUSH 631	Quantitative Methods in Public Management I ⁷	3	
PSAA 601	Foundations of Public Service ⁷	3	
PSAA 621	Economic Analysis ⁷	3	
PSAA 643	Foundations of the Nonprofit Sector ⁷	3	

Semester Credit Hours 12

Spring

PSAA 611	Public Policy Formation ⁷	3
PSAA 622	Public Finance	3

BUSH 632 or BUSH 635	Quantitative Methods in Public Management II ⁷ or Quantitative Methods in Public Management II: Policy Analysis Emphasis	3
Public Service Administration elective ⁸		3
Semester Credit Hours		12
Fifth Year		
Fall		
PSAA 615	Policy Analysis	3
PSAA 675	Public Service and Administration Capstone Seminar	3
Public Service Administration elective ⁸		3
Public Service Administration elective ⁸		3
Semester Credit Hours		12
Spring		
PSAA 676	Public Service and Administration Capstone Seminar II	3
Public Service Administration elective ⁸		3
Public Service Administration elective ⁸		3
Public Service Administration elective ⁸		3
Semester Credit Hours		12
Total Semester Credit Hours		150

See the MPSA program in the Graduate and Professional catalog for the MPSA requirements.

¹ MATH 148, MATH 152, MATH 172 will be accepted in lieu of MATH 140.

² MATH 147, MATH 151, MATH 171 will be accepted in lieu of MATH 142.

³ ECON 323 is a pre-requisite for most ECON electives.

⁴ Student must complete ECMT 461 prior to ECMT 463.

⁵ Select from ECMT 475; ECON 301-499 (<https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/econ/>)

⁶ Select any 100-499 course not used elsewhere (except ECMT 100-499 (<https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/ecmt/>); ECON 100-499 (<https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/course-descriptions/econ/>)).

⁷ Course applies toward both degrees.

⁸ Public Service Administration graduate advisor will assist with Public Service Administration course selection for chosen track in graduate program.

Graduation requirements include 3 hours of International and Cultural Diversity (<https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/degree-information/international-cultural-diversity-requirements/>) courses and 3 hours of Cultural Discourse (<https://catalog.tamu.edu/undergraduate/general-information/degree-information/cultural-discourse-requirements/>) courses. A course satisfying a Core category, a college/department requirement, or a free elective can be used to satisfy this requirement. The required 6 hours may be met by courses satisfying other areas of a degree program. See your academic advisor for further information.

No more than 39 credits in economics and econometrics can be applied to this degree. A grade of C or higher is required for all Economics and Econometrics courses.

The program includes a total of 168 hours which up to 18 hours may be applied toward both the Bachelor of Science in Economics and the Master of Public Service Administration.