

AA-T Economics

Two of the most concise definitions of economics are as follows: Economics is the study of production, consumption and allocation decisions under conditions of scarcity, or as economist Steven Landsburg says, "People respond to incentives." Everything else is noise. Economics is usually broken down into two sub-disciplines:

Microeconomics looks at economics at the level of individual consumers, groups of consumers, or firms. The general concern of microeconomics is the efficient allocation of scarce resources among alternative uses. Microeconomics looks at the determination of price through the optimizing behavior of consumers and firms; with consumers seeking to maximize happiness and firms, profit.

Career Opportunities

AA-T completion would offer students opportunities in entry level banking and finance as well as some city and state government positions. Transfer and completion of a BS/BA in economics would offer students opportunities, in addition to the ones already described, in advanced banking, finance, venture capital and investment companies. Finally, a BS/BA in economics creates a solid foundation for an MBA, JD or MS/PhD in economics.

Program Learning Outcomes

Students completing this program will be able to:

1. Analyze social science concepts and theories.
2. Evaluate diverse viewpoints related to the human experience.
3. Produce evidence-based arguments.

AA-T Degree Requirements

Major: Core and Selective Requirements

Complete Core Courses, 15 units		Units
ECON 100	Principles of Macro Economics	3 units
ECON 102	Principles of Micro Economics	3 units
MATH 200	Elementary Probability and Statistics	4 units
MATH 241	Business Calculus I	5 units
OR		
MATH 251	Analytical Geometry and Calculus I	5 units

Selective Courses, choose a minimum of 6-10 units from the following:

List A, select 3-5 units from the following: Units

ACTG 121	Financial Accounting	4 units
ACTG 131	Managerial Accounting	4 units
BUS. 103	Introduction to Business Information Systems	3 units
BUS. 401	Business Communications	3 units
MATH 125	Elementary Finite Mathematics	3 units
MATH 252	Analytical Geometry and Calculus II	5 units

List B, select 3-5 units from the following: Units

Any course from List A not already used		
ECON 230	Economic History of the United States	3 units
MATH 253	Analytic Geometry and Calculus III	5 units
MATH 270	Linear Algebra	3 units

General Education - certified completion of one of the following:

- California State University General Education-Breadth pattern (CSU GE Breadth),
- **OR**
- Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC/CSU) pattern

Elective courses: If applicable, additional courses to meet the minimum 60 CSU transferable units requirement.

Please refer to Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) Requirements for more information.

