

## About the Degree

The Division of Finance and Economics offers students in the College of Liberal Arts the opportunity to earn a B.A. degree in Economics. Students who choose the Economics major will develop their ability to analyze economic problems and issues and will gain a deeper understanding of the operation of the U.S. economy and others around the world. As a result, they will be able to participate more effectively in the decision-making processes of society. This degree is also excellent as a second major for a student in the College of Liberal Arts.

## The Curriculum

The curriculum is designed to help students learn about such subjects as fluctuations in a country's level of production, its rate of inflation, and its unemployment rate; the factors driving economic growth; the distribution of resources and income across individuals in a society; international trade and financial flows; economic development locally, regionally, and around the globe, and managerial decision-making. Students who major in Economics will gain the preparation necessary for:

1. Administrative, analyst, and/or research positions with private business firms, government agencies, or private foundations;
2. Law School, NMA programs, and or Graduate School.

### Majors must fulfill the general and specific requirements for the B.A. degree:

- a minimum of 128 credit hours;
- at least 26 hours in a major subject no more than 6 of which may be selected from courses at the 100 level with the exception of History and Geography;
- at least 12 hours in a minor subject; all courses in the minor must be taken for a grade except for approved study abroad courses. With the exception of college-approved interdisciplinary minors, each academic department/division designates the specific courses or range of courses required for each minor it offers;
- 48 hours earned in courses numbered 300-499; courses transferred from two-year or community colleges or Advanced Placement credit cannot be used to satisfy the upper division requirement regardless of the MU course equivalent; courses taken at four-year accredited colleges transfer at the level at which they were taken; if you plan to transfer credit to Marshall you should first consult with the associate dean to determine if the credit will apply to your degree program;
- a quality point average of 2.0 or higher on all work attempted at Marshall University, overall collegiate work, and in the major (some departments have more stringent requirements);
- a grade of C or better in English 102 or 201H or 302;
- requirements of the Marshall Plan.

### In addition to the General Education requirements for the BA degree, a student must complete the following coursework:

- ECN 250 Principles of Microeconomics
- ECN 253 Principles of Macroeconomics
- ECN 326 Intermediate Macroeconomics Analysis
- ECN 328 Intermediate Microeconomics Analysis
- ECN 423 Introduction to Econometrics
- ECN 440 History of Economic Thought
- ECN 466 Economics Workshop I
- ECN 467 Economics Workshop II
- MTH 203 Calculus for Business
- MGT 218 Business Statistics I, II
- Nine (9) additional hours of ECN electives must also be selected with the advice and approval of the student's academic advisor.
- The **Economics Capstone Experience** consists of ECN 466 and 467--a 2-semester, 4-hour sequence taken during the senior year. The Capstone Experience is designed to (1) develop the students' oral and written communications skills, (2) improve their ability to evaluate and critique the oral and written work of others, and prepare them for entering the job market after graduation.

### Minor in Economics

For requirements for a Minor in Economics contact the Lewis College of Business.

### B.B.A. in Economics

For the requirements for a B.B.A. degree with a Major in Economics, contact the Lewis College of Business.

For more information about the B.A. in  
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