The Department of Economics offers theoretical and applied courses in diverse areas including microeconomics, macroeconomics, labor, money and banking, international economics, public economics, and industrial organization. It provides an opportunity for the student to pursue his or her interests within the framework of a liberal arts education.

The department offers programs leading to different undergraduate degrees – a Bachelor of Science in the Gatton College of Business and Economics, a Bachelor of Arts and a Bachelor of Science with a major in economics in the College of Arts and Sciences, a Bachelor of Arts and a Bachelor of Science with a major in foreign language and international economics, and a Bachelor of Arts and a Bachelor of Science with a major in mathematical economics. The distinctions among these degrees lie primarily in the required supporting courses in the various programs. (Foreign language and international economics majors and mathematical economics majors should refer directly to that section of the UK Bulletin.)

120 hours (minimum)

Any student earning a Bachelor of Science (BS) degree must complete a minimum of 60 hours in natural, physical, mathematical, and computer science. Please note: courses with a prefix of ECO are generally not accepted towards fulfilling the equivalent UK requirement. Therefore, be sure to keep this 60-hour requirement in mind as you choose your course work for the requirements in the major. A complete description of College requirements for a Bachelor of Science degree, including a specific listing of courses applicable to the 60-hour requirement, can be found on pages 103-104 of the 2007-2008 UK Bulletin.

University Studies Program Requirements

- Math (completed by Premajor Requirements) .................. 0-8
- Foreign Language (placement exam recommended) .......... 0-8
- Inference–Logic (completed by Premajor Requirements) .... 0-4
- Written Communication .............................................. 0-4
- Oral Communication ................................................... 0-1
- Natural Sciences ............................................................ 6
- Social Sciences (partially completed by Premajor Requirements) .................................................. 3
- Humanities ........................................................................ 6
- Cross-Cultural (choose a Humanities course) ............... 3
- Electives (choose 6 hours of Natural Sciences) .............. 6
- USP hours: ................................................................. 27-39

Graduation Writing Requirement

After attaining sophomore status, students must complete a Graduation Writing Requirement course. See “University Writing Requirement” on page 72 of the 2007-2008 UK Bulletin.

Graduation Writing Requirement Hours: ........................... 3

College Requirements

I. Foreign Language (placement exam recommended) .......... 0-8
II. Disciplinary Requirements
   a. Natural Science (completed by USP Elective Requirement) .......... 3
   b. Social Science (completed by Premajor Requirement) ............... 3
   c. Humanities (completed by USP Cross-Cultural Requirement) ......... 3
III. Laboratory or Field Work ............................................. 1
IV. Electives ......................................................................... 6

College Requirement hours: ............................................. 7-15

Premajor Requirements

MA 113 Calculus I (MA 113 or MT 175)
    or
MA 123 Elementary Calculus and its Applications (MA 123 or MT 170)
    and
MA 162 Finite Mathematics and its Applications (MA 162) .......... 4-6

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