

ECONOMICS ASSOCIATE IN ARTS FOR TRANSFER DEGREE

The Economics program focuses on the systematic study of the production, conservation and allocation of resources in conditions of scarcity, together with the organizational frameworks related to these processes. Economics is truly all around us, present in almost every aspect of our lives from the perspective that every human activity involves choice between alternatives (i.e., trade-offs) and the use of some scarce resource.

Studying the subject gives students a general understanding of the world and its inner workings. Students learn everything from what determines the price of goods and services to why the average standards of living vary so widely within and between countries. An economics major is very versatile and provides excellent preparation for law school. Economics majors can find positions with the government, in all areas of business decision-making, in positions associated with technology or finance, and more.

The Associate in Arts for Transfer (AA-T) or the Associate in Science for Transfer (AS-T) is intended for students who plan to complete a bachelor's degree in a similar major at a CSU campus. Students completing these degrees (AA-T or AS-T) are guaranteed admission to the CSU system, but not to a particular campus or major. To earn this Economics AA-T degree, students must meet the following requirements:

- completion of the following major requirements with a minimum grade of "C" (or "P");
- completion of a minimum of 60 CSU transferable semester units with a grade point average of a least 2.0; and
- certified completion of the CSU General Education-Breadth (CSUGE) or Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) for CSU, which requires a minimum of 37-39 units.

It is highly recommended that students complete courses that satisfy the U.S. , History, Constitution, and American Ideals requirement as part of CSUGE or IGETC before transferring to a CSU.

Students planning to transfer to a four-year institution and major in Economics should consult with a counselor regarding the transfer process and lower division requirements.

Code	Title	Units
Required Courses:		
ECON 200 or ECON 200H	Principles of Macroeconomics Principles of Macroeconomics - Honors	3
ECON 201 or ECON 201H	Principles of Microeconomics Principles of Microeconomics - Honors	3
ECON 208 or MATH 108 or MATH 108H	Business and Economic Statistics Introduction to Probability and Statistics Introduction to Probability and Statistics - Honors	4
MATH 141 or MATH 250	Business Calculus Single Variable Calculus I	4
List A - One course from the following: (3-4 units)		
ACCT 200	Financial Accounting	4
ACCT 201	Managerial Accounting	4
BUSAD 127	Business Communication	3
CIT 101	Introduction to Computer Literacy	3
MATH 102	College Algebra	4

MATH 151	Precalculus	4
MATH 251	Single Variable Calculus II	4
List B - One course from the following: (3-5 units)		
ECON 100	Introduction to Economics	3
ETHS 100	Introduction to Ethnic Studies	3
GLST 101	Introduction to Global Studies	3
MATH 252	Multivariable Calculus	5
MATH 265	Linear Algebra	4
POLIT 140	Introduction to Comparative Politics	3
POLIT 141 or POLIT 141H	Introduction to World Politics Introduction to World Politics - Honors	3
POLIT 150	Introduction to Public Policy	3
PSYCH 100 or PSYCH 100H	General Psychology General Psychology - Honors	3
SOC 100 or SOC 100H	Introduction to Sociology Introduction to Sociology - Honors	3

Code	Title	Units
Major Total		20-23
Total Units That May Be Double Counted		9
General Education (CSU-GE or IGETC) Units		37-39
Elective (CSU Transferable) Units		7-12
Total Units		60

See Section on Degree, Certificate, and Transfer Information for additional information on the Associate Degrees for Transfer.

To earn an SBVC Associate Degree for Transfer (AA-T or AS-T) students must complete one of the following general education patterns:

CSU GE requirements (<https://www.valleycollege.edu/student-services/counseling/csuge/>)

IGETC requirements (<https://www.valleycollege.edu/student-services/counseling/igetc/>)

Program Learning Outcomes

At the completion of this program, students will be able to:

- Explain, graph, and analyze key macroeconomic and microeconomic models by applying the concept of market equilibrium.
- Identify data sources, describe appropriate empirical tools, and perform research on data they retrieve from original surveys, or official and industry sources.
- Evaluate economic issues and public policy by using economic models or data analysis while identifying underlying assumptions of the model(s) and limitations.
- Communicate economic ideas by means of written essays or reports which demonstrate the ability to formulate informed opinions on economic policy issues and recognize the validity of opposing viewpoints.