

# ECONOMICS

This major combines economic theory with practical models to address concepts across many disciplines. Students explore the economics of happiness and the economics of uncertainty by examining analytical models of broad phenomena. Emphasis is placed on practical economic research in areas from healthcare to law to the environment.

## BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA) GENERAL OVERVIEW

Nine core courses:

- Principles of Microeconomics
- Principles of Macroeconomics
- Fundamental Principles of Calculus  
or Calculus I
- One Introductory Information Technology  
Program Course
- Intermediate Microeconomic Theory
- Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory
- Introduction to Statistics for Economists
- Introduction to Econometrics
- Introduction to Business Information  
Technologies or Fundamentals of Computer  
Programming

Four upper-division elective courses.  
Examples include:

- Neuroeconomics
- Current Problems of the American Economy
- Economics Analysis of Law
- Games and Economics

## ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

**Progressive Master's Degree:** This program gives exceptional students the opportunity to earn both a BA and MS in only five and a half years.

**USC Economics Review:** The review is run by an undergraduate editorial board and aims to offer student analysis of high-level topics that is engaging and educational for the university and greater communities.

**Omicron Delta Epsilon:** ODE, which dates back to 1915, is one of the world's largest and most prestigious academic honor societies. Its objective is to recognize and honor outstanding academic achievements in Economics. It also works to promote closer ties between students and faculty in colleges and universities around the globe.

**Study Abroad:** Take a global approach to your studies by investigating the transformation of Middle Eastern economics in Jordan, the emergence of the Pacific Rim in Japan, or the theories produced at one of the most noted colleges in the field, the London School of Economics.