

**REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE**  
**DODGE FAMILY COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES**  
**THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA**

Academic Year
For Students Entering the Oklahoma State System for Higher Education Summer 2025 through Spring 2026

General Requirements	
Minimum Total Credit Hours .....	120
Minimum Upper-Division Hours .....	48
Major Hours .....	30
<b>Minimum Retention/Graduation Grade Point Averages:</b>	
Overall - Combined and OU .....	3.00
Major - Combined and OU .....	3.25

Program
Economics
Bachelor of Science

**GENERAL EDUCATION AND COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS**

Courses for fulfillment of General Education and Dodge College of Arts & Sciences requirements must be from the approved General Education course list published in the Class Schedule or at <http://www.ou.edu/gened/courses>. **Courses graded P/NP will not apply.**

**UNIVERSITY-WIDE GENERAL EDUCATION (MINIMUM 40 HOURS) AND COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS**

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Core Area I: Symbolic and Oral Communication</b>		
<i>English Composition (6 hours)</i>		
ENGL 1113	Principles of English Composition	3
ENGL 1213	Principles of English Composition	3
or EXPO 1213	Expository Writing	
<i>Language (0-13 hours in the same language)</i>		
The college requirement cannot be met by high school coursework.		
	Beginning Course	0-5
	Beginning Course, continued	0-5
	Intermediate Course (2000 level) <sup>1,2</sup>	0-3
<i>Mathematics (3 hours)</i>		
Choose one course from the General Education Mathematics list		
		3
<b>Core Area II: Natural Science (7 hours, including one laboratory component)</b>		
<i>Biological Science</i>		
Choose an approved General Education Natural Science course with one of the following prefixes: BIOL, HES, MBIO, or PBIO <sup>1</sup>		
		3-4
<i>Physical Science</i>		
Choose an approved General Education Natural Science course with one of the following prefixes: AGSC, ASTR, CHEM, GEOG, GEOL, GPHY, METR, or PHYS <sup>1</sup>		
		3-4
<b>Core Area III: Social Science (6 hours)</b>		
P SC 1113	American Federal Government	3
Choose one course from the General Education Social Science list		
		3
<b>Core Area IV: Arts and Humanities (18 hours)</b>		
<i>Artistic Forms</i>		
Choose one course from the General Education Artistic Forms list		
		3
<i>Western Culture</i>		
HIST 1483	United States to 1865	3
or HIST 1493	United States, 1865 to the Present	
Choose one course from the General Education Western Culture list (excluding HIST 1483/1493)		
		3
<i>World Culture</i>		
Choose one course from the General Education World Culture list		
		3
<i>Additional Core IV Upper-Division Arts &amp; Humanities courses</i>		
Choose one course from Artistic Forms, Western Culture, or World Culture <sup>1,3</sup>		
		3
Choose one course from Artistic Forms, Western Culture, or World Culture <sup>1,3</sup>		
		3
<b>Core Area V: First Year Experience (3 hours)</b>		
Choose one course		
		3
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>56</b>

- <sup>1</sup> College of Arts and Sciences Requirements: college requirements are not automatically fulfilled by a previous degree.
- <sup>2</sup> One course at the intermediate level or demonstrated competency at that level
- <sup>3</sup> 6 upper-division hours, 2 courses, at the 3000- 4000-level. **Must be outside the major.**

**FREE ELECTIVES**

Electives to bring total applicable hours to the minimum total required for the degree including 48 upper-division hours.

**THIS PROGRAM IS PENDING  
REGENTS APPROVAL FOR FALL 2026.**

- Grades of C or better must be earned in each course in the major requirements and major support requirements.

**MAJOR REQUIREMENTS**

- Some courses required for the major may also fulfill University General Education and/or Dodge College of Arts & Sciences Requirements.

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Economics</b>		
ECON 1113	Principles of Economics-Macro	3
ECON 1123	Principles of Economics-Micro	3
ECON 2843	Elements of Statistics	3
ECON 3113	Intermediate Microeconomic Theory	3
ECON 3133	Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory	3
ECON 4223	Econometric Analysis	3
ECON 3880	Directed Readings	3
or ECON 3990	Independent Study	
<i>ECON Electives</i>		
Choose 9 hours of Economics courses at the 3000 level or above. <sup>1</sup>		
		9
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>30</b>

- <sup>1</sup> FIN 3403 may be used as a major elective and counted as major credit in Economics.

**MAJOR SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS**

Code	Title	Credit Hours
MATH 1743	Calculus I for Business, Life and Social Sciences <sup>1</sup>	3
or MATH 1823	Calculus and Analytic Geometry I	
MATH 2123	Calculus II for Business, Life and Social Sciences <sup>1</sup>	3
or MATH 2423	Calculus and Analytic Geometry II	
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>6</b>

- <sup>1</sup> May also substitute MATH 1914 and MATH 2924 to fulfill calculus requirements.

More information in the catalog: (<http://ou-public.courseleaf.com/dodge-arts-sciences/economics/economics-bachelor-science/>).

## INFORMATION CONCERNING GENERAL RULES, REGULATIONS AND MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

**Arts and Sciences Hours:** At least 80 semester hours of liberal arts and sciences courses are required for a BA degree. At least 55 semester hours of liberal arts and sciences courses are required for a BS degree.

**Pass/No Pass Enrollment:** A maximum of 16 semester hours of free elective credit may be attempted under this option.

**Individual Studies (e.g., courses titled "Independent Study"):** A maximum of 12 total semester hours may be counted toward graduation, excluding Honors Reading and Honors Research.

**P.E. Courses:** No physical education activity courses will be counted toward the 120 semester hours of acceptable credit for graduation.

**Senior Institution Hours:** A minimum of 60 semester hours applied toward graduation must be earned at senior (4-year) institutions.

**Residency:**

- At least 15 of the final 30 hours applied toward the degree or at least 50 percent of the hours required by the institution in the major field must be satisfactorily completed at the awarding institution.
- At least 15 semester hours of upper-division major work must be completed in residence at OU.
- OU correspondence courses are *not* considered resident credit.

**Grade Point Averages:** Students must earn a minimum over all 2.00 for each of the following: Combined Retention GPA (all college grades), OU Retention GPA, GPA for all major courses, and GPA for all major courses taken at OU. Some schools and departments of the College have higher minimum grade point averages required for their students.

### SUGGESTED SEMESTER PLAN OF STUDY

This plan shows one possible grouping of courses that would allow students to graduate in four years. Please refer to the front of the degree check sheet for official requirements. Students must consult with Dodge College of Arts and Sciences and/or Department of Economics academic advisors to verify that courses selected each semester fulfill the recommended plan and satisfy University, College of Arts and Sciences, and Economics major requirements.

Year	FIRST SEMESTER		Hours	SECOND SEMESTER		Hours
<b>FRESHMAN</b>	ECON 1113	Principles of Economics-Macro	3	ECON 1123	Principles of Economics-Micro	3
	ENGL 1113	Principles of English Composition ( Core I )	3	ENGL 1213 or EXPO 1213	Principles of English Composition ( Core I ) or Expository Writing	3
	MATH 1743 or MATH 1823	Calculus I for Business, Life and Social Sciences ( Core I ) or Calculus and Analytic Geometry I	3	HIST 1483 or HIST 1493	United States to 1865 ( Core IV ) or United States, 1865 to the Present	3
		General Education Western Culture (Core IV)	3	MATH 2123 or MATH 2423	Calculus II for Business, Life and Social Sciences or Calculus and Analytic Geometry II	3
		General Education First Year Experience (Core V)	3		General Education Artistic Forms (Core IV)	3
	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>SOPHOMORE</b>	ECON 2843	Elements of Statistics	3	ECON 3113	Intermediate Microeconomic Theory	3
		Beginning Language (Core I)	5	P SC 1113	American Federal Government	3
		General Education Natural Science with Lab (Core II)	4		Beginning Language continued (Core I)	5
		Free Elective, lower-division	3		General Education Natural Science without lab (Core II)	3
					Free Elective, lower-division	2
	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>16</b>
<b>JUNIOR</b>	ECON 3133	Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory	3	ECON 4223	Econometric Analysis	3
		General Education Arts & Humanities (Core IV), upper-division and outside major	3		ECON Major Elective, upper-division (3000-4000 level)	3
		Intermediate Language	3		Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000 level)	3
		Free Elective, lower- or upper-division	3		Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000 level)	3
		Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000 level)	3		Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000 level)	3
	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>SENIOR</b>		ECON Major Elective, upper-division (3000-4000 level)	3	ECON 3880 or ECON 3990	Directed Readings or Independent Study	3
		General Education Arts & Humanities (Core IV), upper-division and outside major	3		ECON Major Elective, upper-division (3000-4000 level)	3
		Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000 level)	3		General Education World Culture (Core IV)	3
		Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000 level)	3		Free Elective, lower- or upper-division	3
		Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000 level)	3		Free Elective, lower- or upper-division	2
	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>15</b>	<b>CREDIT HOURS</b>		<b>14</b>