## Bachelor of Arts in Economics

The Bachelor of the Arts (BA) in Economics prepares students for a variety of careers and for graduate studies in multiple disciplines; students develop essential skills in problem-solving, critical thinking, and data analytics. We offer electives, such as behavioral economics, resource & energy economics, public policy, pandemic economics, economic development, experimental economics, health, and economic history. The BA in Economics is selected by many students pursuing a double major.

The Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Economics is accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB International).

## **Admission Requirements**

## **Graduation Requirements**

- Complete the General University Requirements for Baccalaureate Degrees (http://catalog.uaa.alaska.edu/undergraduateprograms/baccalaureaterequirements/).
- Complete the General Education Requirements for Baccalaureate Degrees (http://catalog.uaa.alaska.edu/undergraduateprograms/baccalaureaterequirements/gers/).
  - For 3 credits of Tier 1 Quantitative Skills, choose MATH A221 or MATH A251 or MATH A251F.
  - For 6 credits of Tier 2 Social Sciences, choose ECON A101 and ECON A102.
- Complete the following major requirements with a minimum grade of C:

Code	Title	Credits
BADA A110	Computer Concepts in Business	3
ECON A101	Principles of Microeconomics	3
ECON A102	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
ECON A227	Introductory Statistics for Economics and Business	3
ECON A312	Econometrics for Business and Economics	3
ECON A321	Intermediate Microeconomics	3
ECON A324	Intermediate Macroeconomics	3
ECON A492	Seminar in Economic Research	3
MATH A221	Applied Calculus for Managerial and Social Sciences <sup>1</sup>	3-6
or MATH A251	Calculus I	
or MATH A251F	F.A.T. Calculus I	
3 credits of 100-level or	3	

Total	48-51
3 credits of 400-level ECON elective <sup>3</sup>	3
15 credits of upper-division ECON electives <sup>2</sup>	15

- <sup>1</sup> Math skills are important in the study of economics. For this reason, majors are to complete their math requirements early in their program. Students planning on graduate school are advised to take the entire calculus sequence (MATH A251 or MATH A251F, MATH A252 or MATH A252F, and MATH A253).
- <sup>2</sup> No more than a total of 6 credits earned in an independent study, or ECON A454, may be used to satisfy requirements for the major (6 credits of independent study or 3 credits of independent study and 3 credits of ECON A454).
- <sup>3</sup> ECON A454 cannot be counted towards the 400-level ECON requirement.

A minimum of 120 credits is required for the degree, of which 39 credits must be upper-division.

## **Honors in Economics**

The Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Economics recognizes distinguished achievement by conferring programmatic honors in economics. In order to receive honors in economics, a student must meet the following requirements:

- Meet requirements for BA in Economics;
- Maintain a minimum GPA of 3.50 in their major requirements;
- Complete ECON A492 with a grade of A, or complete a research paper with a grade of A which demonstrates independent economic research in a semester-length independent study course.

Students not meeting all these requirements may be awarded honors through a vote of the faculty.