

Curriculum for BSc in Economics and Finance

Major Program Requirements

Required courses

(1)	ECON 150	Big Problems in Economics: Issues, Ideas, and Principles	[3-1-0:4]
	ECON 198	Microeconomic Theory I	[3-1-0:4]
	ECON 199	Macroeconomic Theory I	[3-1-0:4]
	ECON 200	Microeconomic Theory II	[3-1-0:4]
	ECON 201	Macroeconomic Theory II	[3-1-0:4]
	ECON 233	Introduction to Econometrics	[3-1-0:4]
	ECON 367	Economics Research and Communication	[0 credit]
	ACCT 101	Introduction to Accounting for Business Majors	[4-0-0:4]
	ISOM 111	Business Statistics	[3-1-0:4]
	FINA 111	Financial Management	[3-1-0:3]
	FINA 221	Investment Analysis and Portfolio Management	[3-1-0:4]
(2)	LANG 111	Chinese Business Communication I	[0-3-0:3]
	ECON 117	Mathematics for Economists	[3-1-0:4]
or	MATH 101	Multivariable Calculus	[3-1-0:4]
(3)	<i>For Sequence A1:</i>		
	MATH 021	Concise Calculus	[3-1-0:4]
(3)	<i>For Sequence A2, A3a:</i>		
	MATH 006	Calculus and Linear Algebra	[3-1-0:3]

Elective courses

Elective types		Minimum no. of courses	Minimum total credits
ECON	Economics Elective	3	12
FINA	Finance Elective	2	8
(3) FREE	Free Elective		
	<i>For Sequence A1</i>	-	7
	<i>For Sequence A2, A3a</i>	-	8
	<i>For Sequence A3b, B</i>	-	11

General Education Requirements

Electives must be selected from amongst those general education courses that are listed under the section “Designated General Education Courses for Undergraduate Students”.

Elective types		Minimum no. of courses	Minimum total credits
GEE(SCIE)	Science General Education Elective	1	6
GEE(ENGG)	Engineering General Education Elective	1	
(4) GEE(H&SS)	Humanities and Social Science General Education Elective	4	12

Required Courses in English Communication

LABU 101	Business Case Analyses	[0-3-0:4]
LANG 201	Business Communication	[0-3-0:3]

Other Requirement

(5) HLTH 001	Healthy Life Style	[0 credit]
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Notes:

- Students who have not taken HKAL Economics, or have scored below grade C in HKAL Economics, take ECON 150. All others take a free elective.
- Students cannot replace this course by LANG 014/015 for graduation purpose. Students recruited from Mainland China will replace this course by a free elective. For international students who are assessed as having inadequate Chinese background to take LANG 111, they will replace this course by LANG 113.
- Four sequences of courses are designed for students entering with different mathematics background:
 - Sequence B: For students entering with grade D or above in either AL Applied Mathematics or AL Pure Mathematics;
 - Sequence A1: For students entering with grade B or above in HKCEE Additional Mathematics, or a passing grade in AS Mathematics and Statistics or AS Applied Mathematics, or grade E in AL Applied Mathematics/Pure Mathematics;
 - Sequence A2: For students with HKCEE Mathematics, or grade C or below in HKCEE Additional Mathematics;
 - Sequence A3: For students who fall outside the above categories. They will be required to take a mathematics placement test on admission. Students who pass both Parts A and B of the test will follow Sequence A3b; those who do not pass Part A and/or B of the test will follow Sequence A3a.
- Of these courses, at least one course in Humanities and one in Social Science are required.
- Students are required to take and pass this course in their first year of study. Details of the course and its requirements are announced on the course website <http://www.ab.ust.hk/sao/HLTH001> managed by the Student Affairs Office.

A minimum of 102 credits is required for the BSc program in Economics and Finance. Students must take additional course(s) and/or elective(s) of higher-than-required credit value to meet this minimum total of 102 credits.

Recommended Pattern of Study for BSc in Economics and Finance

1st year	Fall	R	<i>Sequence A1: MATH 021;</i> <i>Sequence A2 & A3a: MATH 006;</i> <i>Sequence A3b & B: MATH 101/FREE⁽¹⁾</i> <i>For all Sequences:</i> R ACCT 101, HLTH 001, ISOM 111, LABU 101 R/E ECON 150 ⁽²⁾ /FREE E GEE(H&SS)	(Total: 18-19 credits)
	Spring	R	<i>Sequence A1, A2 & A3a: ECON 117</i> <i>Sequence A3b & B: ECON 117/FREE⁽¹⁾</i> <i>For all Sequences:</i> R ECON 198, ECON 199, FINA 111, HLTH 001, LABU 101	(Total: 19* credits)

2nd year	Fall	R ECON 200, ECON 201, FINA 221, LANG 111/LANG 113/FREE R/E ECON 233/FREE	(Total: 19 credits)
	Spring	R LANG 201 R/E ECON 233/FREE E ECON, FINA, GEE(SCIE)	(Total: 18 credits)
3rd year	Fall	E ECON, FINA, GEE(ENGG), GEE(H&SS)	(Total: 14 credits)
	Spring	R ECON 367 E ECON, two GEE(H&SS), FREE	(Total: 13-14 credits)

(1) Students in Sequence A3b & B can choose to take MATH 101 or ECON 117. Those opting to take MATH 101 in 1st year Fall should take a FREE elective in 1st year Spring. Those opting to take ECON 117 in 1st year Spring should take a FREE elective in 1st year Fall.

(2) For students who have not taken HKAL Economics or have scored below grade C in HKAL Economics.

* LABU 101 is a two-semester course. The course credits will be earned on completion of the course at the end of 1st year Spring.

R = required course; E = elective course

Recommended Pattern of Study for 120-Credit BSc in Economics and Finance (for students admitted through the preparatory year)

Prep year		Please follow the pattern listed on p. 208-209	
1st year	Fall	R ACCT 101, LABU 101 R/E ECON 150 ⁽¹⁾ /FREE E GEE(ENGG), GEE(H&SS)	(Total: 14 credits)
	Spring	R ECON 198, ECON 199, FINA 111, LABU 101 E GEE(H&SS)	(Total: 18* credits)
2nd year	Fall	R ECON 200, ECON 201, FINA 221, LANG 111/113/FREE R/E ECON 233/FREE	(Total: 19 credits)
	Spring	R LANG 201 R/E ECON 233/FREE E ECON, FINA, Business Breadth Elective	(Total: 18 credits)
3rd year	Fall	E ECON, FINA, Business Breadth Elective, GEE(H&SS)	(Total: 14 credits)
	Spring	R ECON 367 E ECON, two FREE	(Total: 11 credits)

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