

DISCOVER

Economics

Cotley's Business Department provides students with the business core courses needed for transfer to a college of business in the fields of accounting, business administration, finance, human resource management, management and marketing. The business core also prepares for transfer to programs with a major in economics or a specialization in international business. There is a wide variation among colleges and universities for the degree requirements in these fields. Students are assisted in planning schedules to fit as closely as possible the needs of their particular fields of study and transfer institutions.

Career Opportunities

Economics, within the field of Business, is the study of the production, distribution and consumption of resources. Economists use theory, policy and trends to explore ways to deal with economic issues that confront businesses, individuals, and countries.

Most economists specialize in a particular policy area such as finance, labor, agriculture, transportation, energy or health. A large number of economics graduates are found working in areas of management, finance, insurance, real estate, marketing, and sales. A majority work in private, for-profit organizations.

Close to 35% of economics graduates will earn a postgraduate degree, typically in business, education, economics, or law.

A bachelor's degree in economics is also an excellent stepping stone to management training programs with many large organizations, leading to a career in business management.

Internship and Directed Study Opportunities

As an economics major, your chances to gain real world learning experiences through internships and directed studies are very important.

Students at Cotley College may participate in internships throughout the year with a variety of businesses, organizations, and non-profit agencies. A successful internship provides students with an opportunity to apply their classroom learning to the workplace.

Employers and graduate schools agree that students who have put classroom concepts and skills to work in a "real world" environment are more realistic and productive than those who have not.

With the assistance of faculty and the transfer and career planning coordinator, economics majors can find a variety of local and national internship experiences.

Get Involved

Want to have fun and develop your leadership skills and your resume at the same time? Then get involved at Cotley College and in the Nevada community.

Cotley College has more than 35 student clubs and organizations in which to be involved. Plus, the Nevada and surrounding community offer an abundance of service opportunities.

Here are a few activities you might consider pursuing as an economics major: join Phi Beta Lambda; work as business manager for *The Spectrum* (Cotley's student newspaper); lead a campus organization or project; participate in Cotley's Student Government Association (S.G.A.); take a leadership course; join Cotley's chapter of ROTARACT; organize community service events; or compete in state and national business competitions.

Opportunities exist locally to intern with the Chamber of Commerce, City of Nevada, as well as various health care facilities, non-profit organizations area businesses, and government agencies.

Directed study opportunities are available in all disciplines. Under the supervision of faculty, students can pursue academic credit on a topic or project that is related to, but beyond the scope of, regular course offerings.

Directed study topics can be tailored to your interests, whether it is conducting individual scientific research, studying girls' punk music, or conducting advanced computer programming.

SHAPING YOUR OWN DESTINY

Economics (4-Semester Sample Schedule)

Students should consult the catalog of the college to which they plan to transfer for specific requirements in their major. This suggested schedule is designed to provide the Associate in Arts degree candidate with the appropriate Cottey College core curriculum and enough coursework in their field to complete the 62 hours required for an A.A. degree. *Schedules may vary based on available classes and interests.*

First Year Fall Semester	Credit Hrs.	First Year Spring Semester	Credit Hrs.
ENG101 English Composition I	3	ENG102 English Composition II	3
MAT103 College Algebra or higher	3 or 4	Foreign Language	3 or 4
Foreign Language	3 or 4	CSC100 Computer Apps. in the Liberal Arts*	3
Humanities	3	Fine Arts Theory	3
Physical Activity	1	Physical Activity	1
Electives	1 to 3	Electives	2 to 4
Second Year Fall Semester	Credit Hrs.	Second Year Spring Semester	Credit Hrs.
HIS101/202 History or POL101 Government	3	Social Science	3
Humanities/Fine Arts	3	BUS212 Principles of Accounting II*	3
BUS211 Principles of Accounting I*	3	Lab Science	4 or 5
ECO201 Principles of Economics I: Macro	3	ECO202 Principles of Economics II: Micro*	3
Electives	4 or 6	Electives	3 to 6

OTHER RELEVANT COURSES ALSO HIGHLY RECOMMENDED AS ELECTIVES:

BUS291 Principles of Marketing	MAT201 Calculus I (also MAT202, 203)
BUS103 Personal Finance and Consumer Economics	PHI103 Ethics
ENG210 Business and Technical Communication	PHI112 Logic
POL101 U.S. Government	PSY101 General Psychology
SOC101 Introduction to Sociology	MAT104 Trigonometry
SPE101 Fundamentals of Speech	MAT112 Statistics

Faculty Advising

Preparing a class schedule, investigating majors, and researching transfer institutions can be confusing for a first-year student. At Cottey College, academic advising assists the individual student in clarifying and achieving her educational goals.

Each student is assigned a full-time faculty member as an academic advisor. Together the advisor and student devise a balanced academic program, which encompasses the student's educational

and career ambitions. The advisor reviews all registration decisions, the advisee's academic progress, and suggests transfer and career options.

This personalized approach to student advising allows the student to take responsibility for her own academic program, while tapping into faculty expertise.

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