

The BA program equips students with the necessary competencies for successful careers in corporations, government, or non-profit organizations, education, and research. The career infused degree map allows students to commit to their career exploration by aligning coursework with career readiness milestones.

ACADEMICS

CAREER READINESS

FRESHMAN

CREDITS

- 3 ENG 111 - English Composition I
- 3 ECO 166 - Introduction of Macroeconomics
- 4 MAT 171 - Elements of Precalculus or MAT 172 - Precalculus
- 3 Required Core - Life and Physical Sciences
- 3 LEH 250 - First-year Seminar

16 TOTAL CREDITS

1ST SEMESTER

- Activate your [Handshake account](#) with [CEDC](#) to begin exploring career resources and opportunities available through your college's career center
- Create a resume to begin documenting your achievements. Review samples for your major on [Handshake Document Library](#).
- Join a [club](#) or [professional association](#) to explore and expand your network in Economics. Explore honor society options on campus.

2ND SEMESTER

- 3 ENG 121 - English Composition II
- 3 Flexible Core - US Experience in its Diversity
- 4 MAT 174 - Elements of Calculus (Depending on Math placement)
- 1 MAT 155 - Calculus 1 Laboratory
- 3 ECO 167 - Introduction of Microeconomics
- 3 Elective

17 TOTAL CREDITS

- Create a [LinkedIn](#) account to establish your professional presence online & build connections.
- Explore career paths in [Economics](#) and take the [Focus 2 Career Assessment](#). Code: Lightning
- Explore and apply to early pipeline programs ([America Needs You \(ANY\)](#), [Year Up](#), [CUNY Opportunities](#), [Wall Street Direct](#)) and internships in Economics for freshman and sophomores.
- Create a draft cover letter you can use to apply to internships and pipeline programs.

SOPHOMORE

CREDITS

- 3 LCR Foreign Language I
- 3 LCR Flexible Core - Scientific World
- 3 LCR Flexible Core - World Cultures and Global Issues
- 4 MAT 175 and 155
- 3 Elective
- 1 CED 201 - Business Career Exploration & Planning and Self-Discovery

17 TOTAL CREDITS

1ST SEMESTER

- Identify a Mentor with whom you can check-in periodically ([Economics Faculty](#), [Economics Graduate Faculty](#), [The City Tutors](#), [Streetwise Partners](#)).
- Update your resume with any new achievements.
- Subscribe to the [New York Jobs CEO Council](#) and [CUNY Weekly Newsletter](#) for exclusive opportunities, events, and career resources.

2ND SEMESTER

- 3 General Education Foreign Language Option
- 3 Flexible Core - Creative Expression
- 3 Flexible Core - Any Area
- 3 Major Elective Core - Select 12 credits (ECO 305, ECO 306, ECO 311, ECO 322, ECO 323, ECO 324, ECO 326, ECO 331, ECO 344, ECO 345, ECO 401, ECO 431 or BBA 310)
- 3 Elective

15 TOTAL CREDITS

- Attend an [interview workshop](#) to learn the fundamentals of interviewing for roles with an Economics degree.
- Apply for internships that provide hands-on experience in Economics ([Bloomberg](#), [NYCEDC](#), [Federal Reserve Bank of NY](#), [NBER](#), [U.S Dept of Treasury](#), [International Monetary Fund](#), [World Bank Group](#), [Goldman Sachs](#)).
- Identify skills/certificates outside of the classroom ([LinkedIn Learning](#), [Coursera](#), [CUNY Upskilling](#)) to complete.
- Explore the ([National Association of Business Economics & American Economics Association](#), [Informs](#))

ACADEMICS

CAREER READINESS

JUNIOR

CREDITS

- 3 LEH 352 or LEH 353 or LEH 354 or LEH 355 (must have achieved 45 credits & declared your major)
- 3 ECO 300 - Intermediate Microeconomics
- 3 ECO 302 - Economic Statistics
- 3 Major Elective Course - Select 12 credits (ECO 305, ECO 306, ECO 311, ECO 322, ECO 323, ECO 324, ECO 326, ECO 331, ECO 344, ECO 345, ECO 401, ECO 431 or BBA 310)
- 3 Elective
- 15 TOTAL CREDITS**

1ST SEMESTER

- Consult with faculty to participate in case competitions with [Battle of the Brains X ALPFA](#), [Accenture Innovation Challenge](#).
- Practice Mock Interview with your Career Specialist.
- Research graduate school or other postgraduate opportunities if considering further education.
- Take FREE instructor-led MS Office Workshops with [Lehman IT Center](#).
- Attend career fairs, symposiums, conferences and seminars to network with professionals

2ND SEMESTER

- 3 LEH 352 or 353 or 354 or 355
- 3 ECO 301 - Intermediate Macroeconomics
- 4 ECO 402 Econometrics
- 3 Elective
- 3 Elective
- 1 CED 301 - Business Career Goals, Strategies and Networking
- 17 TOTAL CREDITS**

- Take leadership roles in the club or professional association you belong to.
- Engage in LEAP on [Suitable](#) and other [Experiential Learning Opportunities](#) to explore career paths & develop practical skills in economics.
- Work in at least **one** Economics internship by the end of summer or after your junior year.
- Engage with career guidance, networking, and hiring events on [Handshake](#) and [Forage](#) to deepen your understanding of your career path.

SENIOR

CREDITS

- 3 Major Elective Course - Select 12 credits (ECO 305, ECO 306, ECO 311, ECO 322, ECO 323, ECO 324, ECO 326, ECO 331, ECO 344, ECO 345, ECO 401, ECO 431 or BBA 310)
- 3 Elective
- 3 Elective
- 3 Minor or Certificate Course I
- 3 Minor or Certificate Course II
- 15 TOTAL CREDITS**

1ST SEMESTER

- Meet with your [Career Specialist](#) for job search preparation: Finalize your professional resume, and cover letter, and prepare for interviews.
- Review key economics exams that can help strengthen your career ([CAS](#), [SOA](#), [CFA](#), [FRM](#), [CFP](#)).
- If applicable complete the process for applying to graduate school.
- As graduation nears, connect with mentors and network for career advice, job leads, and continued mentorship.

2ND SEMESTER

- 3 Major Elective Course - Select 12 credits (ECO 305, ECO 306, ECO 311, ECO 322, ECO 323, ECO 324, ECO 326, ECO 331, ECO 344, ECO 345, ECO 401, ECO 431 or BBA 310)
- 4 Elective
- 3 Minor or Certificate Course III
- 3 Minor or Certificate Course IV
- 13 TOTAL CREDITS**

- It is recommended that you take the Securities Industry Essentials Exam (SIE) from [FINRA](#).
- If appropriate, complete the process of applying to graduate school.
- Be sure to explore the [CUNY Alumni website](#) for valuable resources!