ECONOMICS

Wichita State University is located in the largest economic and cultural center in the state of Kansas. Because of the location, the W. Frank Barton School of Business utilizes relationships with local, national and international companies to provide real-world experiences. Some companies who have partnered with the Barton School of Business include: Allen, Gibbs & Houlik LC; Grant Thornton; Dean and Deluca; Koch Industries Inc.; Spirit AeroSystems Inc.; The Coleman Company; Cargill; and CID Group in China.

All business students are encouraged to take advantage of the following opportunities available: Cooperative Education, Internships, Career Network Experience, Community Organizations, Student Groups, National Student Exchange, and Study Abroad. The Barton School of Business currently has study abroad exchange programs in Austria, Germany, Sweden, France, Mexico, China, Taiwan, and Japan with many classes taught in English.

The W. Frank Barton School of Business is committed to excellence in teaching, research and publication. The faculty represents diverse interests, certifications, and backgrounds. The faculty members publish regularly in a variety of top business journals, and have also written several business textbooks. Faculty members have received or been nominated for numerous awards for teaching, such as the WSU Regents Teaching Award, the WSU Board of Trustees in Excellence in Teaching Award, and the Academy for Effective Teaching Award.

The Barton School is accredited by The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB International). AACSB Accreditation is the longest standing and most recognized professional accreditation in the world. The Barton School of Business maintains the highest level of accreditation by having all business and accounting programs at all levels (undergraduate and graduate) being accredited.

Less than 5 percent of the world’s business schools have earned AACSB Accreditation. Fewer than 190 institutions worldwide have earned the specialized AACSB Accreditation for Accounting. The scholarship program annually commits over a quarter million dollars to students in all areas of business. Scholarships range from $250 to the $48,000 Clay Barton Scholarship.

Economics and Economics with Real Estate Emphasis

Economics is a social science concerned with the economic behavior of consumers and producers as well as the operation and evaluation of economic systems. Economists study questions like why does the price of gasoline go up and down and what can we do to improve the economy. Studying economics gives you insight into how the world around you actually works. As a business economist, you will function as a forecaster and analyst of business conditions.

You will study three main areas of economics - macro, micro and statistics. Macroeconomics concentrates on issues that affect an entire society, such as inflation, unemployment, investment, economic growth and international trade. Microeconomics focuses on the market competitive structure and performance, and resource allocation using the supply and demand model to determine prices and quantities.

The economics-real estate option is for students interested in broader conceptual and policy issues associated with real estate and land use.

WSU is the only Kansas Board of Regents’ institution to offer a degree program in real estate. By providing an emphasis through four different majors, WSU allows you to custom design your program of study in an unique way among real estate programs in the United States.

Admission

When you choose to major in economics, you are admitted to the W. Frank Barton School of Business. An academic advisor from the Business Advising Center will help you enroll in an orientation course where you will learn to develop a study plan and specific requirements for degree completion.

Masters Program

The Barton School of Business also offers four master’s degree programs. The Masters of Accountancy (MACC), Masters of Arts in Economics (MA-Econ), Masters of Business Administration(MBA) with four different focus areas, and the Executive Masters of Business Administration (EMBA).

For more information

To receive more information, or to arrange a campus visit, contact the Office of Admissions.

wichita.edu/campusvisit
admissions@wichita.edu
(316) 978-3085

Marcus Welcome Center
1845 Fairmount
Wichita, KS 67260-0124
This sheet is an overview of the business major. Many courses have prerequisites and many have minimum grade requirements. Always check with a Business Advisor or your catalog for specifics.

**Business Advising Center**  Clinton Hall, Room 008  (316) 978-3203

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**General Requirements**
The Barton School of Business requires that at least 50% of upper division courses be completed at WSU.
A minimum of 124 credit hours is required for a Bachelor of Business Administration degree.
Community college transfer students must complete at least 60 credit hours at a 4-year institution.
Courses are 3 credit hours unless otherwise specified. Example (1), (3-5), etc.
All majors must have a minimum of twelve unduplicated credit hours; minors a minimum of three unduplicated.

**Foundation**
- College English I
- College English II
- Public Speaking
- College Algebra

*Note: The above must be completed within the first 48 credit hours of college coursework with a grade of 'C-' or better.*

**Orientation**
For incoming freshmen:
- Becoming a Business Student I
- Becoming a Business Student II
For transfer and returning students:
- Transferring to the School of Business

**General Education for Business**
- Critical Reasoning
- General Psychology or Intro. to Sociology
- Fine Arts introductory course
- Social/Behavioral Science introductory course
- Humanities intro. course outside of philosophy
- Intro. course from BIO, CHEM, GEOL, or PHYS
- Business Ethics
- Further Studies course

**Advanced Standings**
- Business Calculus or Calculus
- Introductory Business Statistics
- Statistical Software Applications for Business
- Principles of Macroeconomics
- Principles of Microeconomics
- Business Software
- Financial Accounting
- Managerial Accounting

**Business Core**
- Marketing
- The Entrepreneurial Experience
- International Business
- Financial Management I
- Intro to Production & Operations Management
- Principles of Management
- Management Information Systems
- Legal Environment for Business
- Strategic Management capstone course

**Economics Major**
- Intermediate Macroeconomics
- Intermediate Microeconomics
- Three more upper-division economics courses
- Two more upper-division courses approved by business advisor

**Economics-Real Estate Major**
- Principles of Real Estate
- Intermediate Macroeconomics
- Intermediate Microeconomics
- Money and Banking or Urban Economics
- One more upper-division economics course
- Two more upper-division
- Up to 3 credit hours of COOP may be used in the Economics-Real Estate major (RE-481 only).

**Related Programs**
All business majors share most of the Advanced Standing and Business Core requirements. You may choose to double major or minor in other areas such as economics, entrepreneurship, finance, human resources management, international business, management, information technology and management information systems, marketing, operations management (minor only), or personal selling (minor only).

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For more information on Economics at WSU visit wichita.edu/economics or call (316) 978-3220.