

## 3250:01 LABOR ECONOMICS

### Bachelor of Science

**NOTE:** A student is expected to be familiar with the degree requirements. The following information has official approval of the Department of Economics but is intended only as a guide. Official degree requirements are established at the time of admission to the degree-granting college.

#### FIRST YEAR

##### Fall Semester

		Semester Credit Hours	Prerequisites
3300:111	English Composition I	4	Appropriate Placement by Adviser
	Natural Science Requirement (Note c)	3/4	
7600:105	Introduction to Public Speaking <b>-OR-</b>		Appropriate Placement by Adviser
7600:106	Effective Oral Communication	3	
3450:145	College Algebra (Notes b & d)	3/4	
	Physical Education/Wellness (Note c)	<u>1/3</u>	
		14-16	

##### Spring Semester

3300:112	English Composition II	3	3300:111
3250:200	Principles of Microeconomics (Note a)	3	
3450:210	Calculus with Business Applications <b>-OR-</b>		3450:145 or 149 or Placement Test
3450:215	Concepts of Calculus I (Note d)	3/4	
	Social Science Requirement (Note a.)	<u>3/4</u>	
		12-14	

#### SECOND YEAR

##### Fall Semester

3250:201	Principles of Macroeconomics	3	3250:200
3250:226	Computer Skills for Economic Analysis	3	3250:100, 200 or 244
3470:261	Introductory Statistics I	2	
3470:262	Introductory Statistics II	2	
3400:210	Humanities in the Western Tradition I	<u>4</u>	32 credits & 3300:111,112
		14	

##### Spring Semester

300/400	Social Science/Business Electives (Note a)	8	
	Natural Science Elective (Note c)	3/4	
	Humanities Elective (Note c)	<u>3/4</u>	3400:210
		14-16	

**A foreign language is not required for the degree in Labor Economics.**

#### NOTES:

- a. Social Science courses are required. Principles of Microeconomics, 3250:200, fulfills 3 credits of this requirement. Please refer to the General Education Guide or see your adviser regarding acceptable courses to fulfill the rest of this requirement; however, because the degree in Labor Economics requires 8 semester credits of 300/400 level courses in History, Geography, Computer Science, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology, Philosophy, Anthropology or Business\* (pre-requisites must be honored), the student should be careful to choose an appropriate 100/200 level social science class so as to meet the required pre-requisite requirement for the upper-division social science classes. \*Students are encouraged to consider the new MBA minor offered through the College of Business Administration to fulfill this requirement. Also, since the 8 elective credits of 300/400 level courses will most likely be completed in the junior/senior years, the student should complete all required pre-requisites for any of the above-listed electives during the first two years.
- b. The Department of Economics **RECOMMENDS** that a student be enrolled in or have already completed 3450:145, College Algebra, **prior to** enrollment in 3250:200, Principles of Microeconomics.
- c. Natural Science, Physical Education/Wellness and Humanities elective courses are required. Please refer to the General Education Guide or see your adviser regarding acceptable courses.
- d. **The Department of Economics requires that a student earn at least a C in 3450:145, College Algebra.** It is important that a student take the necessary prerequisites in a timely manner. Analytical Geometry-Calculus I, 3450:221, is an acceptable option for the 3450:210/215 options.
- e. Microeconomics, 3250:410, is required along with the following courses: Labor Economics, 3250:333, Applied Econometrics, 3250:426, Labor Market and Social Policy, 3250:430, and Labor Market Analysis and Evaluation, 3250:434.

**POLICY ALERT: 1) By the end of your first 48 credit hours attempted, you must have completed your General Education English, Math, and Communications (Speech) requirements; 2) By the end of your first 48 credit hours attempted, you must have declared a major and transferred to (been accepted by) a degree granting college at The University of Akron.**

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**IN GENERAL:**

The BSLE is a focused program relating to issues involving human resources from the analysis of wages and labor markets to the investigation of social policy problems such as health, education and discrimination. **For further details, please refer to the undergraduate handbook available in the Economics Office, CAS 430, or online at the Economics Department’s website: <http://www.uakron.edu/colleges/artsci/depts/econ>.**

**JOB OPPORTUNITIES:**

**Please refer to the Department of Economics’ website: <http://www.uakron.edu/colleges/artsci/depts/econ>.**

**PLACEMENT:**

A student is also encouraged to check with his/her major department and with the Center for Career Management, Simmons Hall 301, 330-972-7747, regarding employment opportunities in the field.

**TRANSFER TO COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES:**

A student should apply to the college upon completion of **30 credits and a 2.0 or better overall GPA** (including transfer work). In addition, the student must have achieved a **2.0 in all coursework in the major field** (including transfer work). The 30 credits must include the completion of both required English Composition courses and 3 credits of mathematics or statistics which meets the General Education requirement. This transfer process is completed through an appointment with an academic adviser, the Academic Advisement Center, Simmons Hall, Room 205 330-972-7430, or Summit College, Polsky 301, 330-972-7220, depending upon the college in which you reside.

**COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES:**

Degree requirements in Arts & Sciences include the first and second year of a foreign language or sign language (most majors) although **the BSLE degree does not require a foreign language**, and 47 credits of 300/400 level courses, **not including** workshops or courses taken to meet the Humanities in the Western Tradition or Area Studies and Cultural Diversity (World Civilization) requirements. Consult the economics department for any possible exceptions or problems. Minimum semester credit requirement for graduation is 128.

**COOPERATIVE EDUCATION:**

Co-ops and internships (with academic credit) are available on an optional basis in this academic program. To obtain additional information on program benefits, eligibility requirements or to apply for the program, contact the co-op staff in Simmons Hall 301, 330-972-6722. **Co-op is highly recommended!**

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