ECONOMICS
College of Behavioral and Social Sciences

BSOS Expectations of Students
As a University of Maryland student, you are an informed and active participant in your education. Therefore, the College of Behavioral and Social Sciences expects that you:
- Know your benchmark/gateway and degree requirements
- Develop a graduation plan which leads to a timely graduation
- Complete an academic audit during your junior year
- Take appropriate actions to remove registration blocks and register on time
- Adhere to University and College policies and deadlines
- Be responsible for your academic actions and decisions

Student Expectations of BSOS
Academic advisors are committed to assist you in meeting your educational goals. Therefore, the College is committed to the following:
- Introducing you to major and University requirements upon your entrance to a BSOS major
- Providing assistance during academic difficulty
- Referring you to helpful campus resources when needed
- Providing advising throughout your academic career

Advising Resources

BSOS Advising
General questions, registration, exceptions to University policy, academic probation, limited enrollment questions, graduation concerns

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bsosadvising@umd.edu

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ECON Major Benchmarks

Benchmark Requirements: In accordance with University policy, the Department of Economics has established benchmark requirements. Students are expected to demonstrate continuing progress in their majors by completing prerequisite or required courses with the appropriate grades within an established timeframe. Students who do not complete benchmark requirements will need to choose a new major and will not be permitted to return to the Economics major at a later time.

Benchmark 1: ECON majors must complete the following courses within two semesters of entering the major:
- Academic Writing with D– or higher
- Additional Gen Ed course with D– or higher
- ECON 200 with C– or higher
- ECON 201 with C– or higher
- MATH 220 or 140 (or higher) with C– or higher
- ECON 300 with C– or higher

Benchmark 2: ECON majors must complete the following courses within one semester of meeting Benchmark 1:
- ECON 326 with C– or higher
- ECON 321 with C– or higher

** More than 3 ECON courses per semester may not be permitted**
General Education Requirements (Fall 2012 and later)

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**TOTAL General Education Credits**

General Education requirements must total at least 40 credits

**Requirements for Graduation:**

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***ECON 300, 321, 325, and 326 must be completed at UMD***

**ECON Major Supporting Courses (15 credits) [Grade of C– or higher]**

- Courses used to satisfy this requirement must be taken at the upper-level (300-400), or any math courses beyond 220 or 140 (except MATH 274).
- Options may include additional upper level ECON courses or courses from other departments.
- ECON 386 may be used to satisfy this requirement.
- ECON 387, internship, professional writing and 386 outside of economics MAY NOT be used to satisfy this requirement.

**Supporting Course 1**

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**ECONOMICS - BACHELOR OF ARTS**

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- Check in with your advisor regarding your benchmark or gateway progress!

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## Year 4

- Apply for graduation!

**Cumulative Credits + Planned Credits = Total Credits**

120

*Important Planning Notes:*

- All students must take two Distributive Studies courses that will also count for the I-Series requirement. (I-Series are not listed separately in this plan)
- Understanding Plural Societies courses may also fulfill a Distributive Studies category.