

Department of Economics Information for TRANSFERS

Detailed information on admissions requirements can be found at:

<https://www.econ.berkeley.edu/undergrad/prospective>

PREPARATION FOR THE MAJOR

Transfer students should have the following courses COMPLETED *before* their first semester at Berkeley:

- Full year of calculus (Equivalent to MATH 1A and 1B or MATH 16A and 16B at Berkeley)
- Introduction to Micro- *and* Macroeconomics (equivalent to ECON 1 at Berkeley). To find equivalent coursework at a California Community College, use www.assist.org.

Students transferring the above pre-requisites from a four-year institution or out-of-state college must contact the department regarding course equivalency.

APPLICATION AND ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

1. Transfer students must fulfill all prerequisites and apply to the major **in their first semester** at Berkeley. Failure to complete the application by the first semester deadline will make a transfer student ineligible for the major.
2. Students must meet a **minimum 2.7 GPA in the prerequisite courses taken at Berkeley** to be accepted to the economics major.

PREREQUISITES FOR ADMISSION TO THE ECONOMICS MAJOR

- **ONE** course required of Introduction to Economics (choose one):
 - **ECON 1 or ECON 2**
- **TWO** courses required of Calculus:
 - **MATH 1A or MATH 16A and**
 - **MATH 1B or MATH 16B**
- **ONE** course required of Introduction to Statistics (choose one):
 - **STAT 20, STAT 21, STAT W21, STAT 88, STAT 131A, STAT 135, or STAT 140**
- **ONE** course required of Intermediate Economic Theory or Econometrics (choose one for admission, all three are required to graduate):
 - **ECON 100A or ECON 101A***
 - **ECON 100B or ECON 101B****
 - **ECON 140 or ECON 141**

Quantitative Residency Requirement

At least one prerequisite in math or statistics must be completed at UC Berkeley.

(For most transfer students this is statistics)

**Students who wish to take ECON 101A instead of ECON 100A must successfully complete MATH 53 first.*

** UGBA 101A cannot be used as a prerequisite for the Economics major. No exceptions.*

***Students may take UGBA 101B to fulfill the Intermediate Macroeconomic requirement.*

UPPER DIVISION MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

- **THREE** Core courses (recommended to complete *before* electives):
 - **ECON 100A or ECON 101A***
 - **ECON 100B or ECON 101B****
 - **ECON 140 or ECON 141**
- **FIVE** Upper Division electives chosen from a list of approved Economics electives

SAMPLE TWO-YEAR ECONOMICS REQUIREMENTS PLAN (TRANSFER)

First Semester (<i>apply for the major</i>) STAT 20/21/W21/88/131A/135/140 (choose one) ECON 100A/101A* <u>or</u> 100B/101B**	Second Semester ECON 100A/101A* <u>or</u> 100B/101B** ECON 140/141
Third Semester Upper Division Economics Elective Upper Division Economics Elective Upper Division Economics Elective	Fourth Semester Upper Division Economics Elective Upper Division Economics Elective

UC Berkeley Economics Department AP/IB/A Level Exam Credit

ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) CREDIT

AP Exam	Score	Berkeley Credit
Calculus AB (or AB subscore)	3 or higher	MATH 16A <u>or</u> MATH 1A – <i>satisfies only the first half of the calculus requirement</i>
Calculus BC	3 or 4	MATH 16A <u>or</u> MATH 1A – <i>satisfies only the first half of the calculus requirement</i>
Calculus BC	5	<i>Satisfies both MATH 1A and 1B prerequisites</i>
Microeconomics	4 or 5	<i>BOTH exams with acceptable scores are required to satisfy ECON 1 prerequisite. Consult with an Economics Undergraduate Advisor if only one exam is completed.</i>
Macroeconomics	4 or 5	

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB) CREDIT - Higher Level Only

IB Exam	Score	Berkeley Credit
Mathematics	5,6, or 7	<i>Satisfies both MATH 1A and 1B prerequisites</i>
Economics	5,6, or 7	<i>Satisfies ECON 1 prerequisite.</i>

GCE ADVANCED LEVEL (A LEVEL) CREDIT

A Level Exam	Score	Berkeley Credit
Mathematics	A, B, or C	<i>Satisfies both MATH 1A and 1B prerequisites</i>
Economics	A, B, or C	<i>Satisfies ECON 1 prerequisite.</i>

CONTACT INFORMATION

Location: Evans Hall 539

Economics Advisors are available for drop-in and appointment advising and can be reached at ugrad@econ.berkeley.edu. See website for more information about how to meet with an advisor.

Economics Peer Advisors are excellent resources to discuss your schedule, faculty expectations, and study tips for classes. They are available on the first day of classes throughout the semester.

Email: peers@econ.berkeley.edu.