

# Merritt College

## Economics

### Overview

College	Merritt - Division II
Originator	Shahbaz Shahbazi
Award Type	AA-T Degree

### Codes and Dates

State Approval Date	4/10/2022
Curriculum Committee Approval Date	11/18/2021
Board of Trustees Date	1/25/2022
Current Effective Date	6/01/2022
Program Control Number	33540
Top Code	2204.00 - Economics

### Description

The study of Economics at Merritt College is intended to provide students with knowledge, appreciation and ability to analyze the production, distribution and consumption of wealth in human society. The Associate in Arts for Transfer (AA-T) Degree in Economics allows students to explore a variety of economic areas, while preparing for transfer. Economics faculty provide instruction, support, and guidance for students to increase their knowledge, expand their experiences, and ready them for success. The courses in the program also improve job attainment and performance skills.

The Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) program allows students to fulfill lower division major requirements at a community college and guarantees transfer with junior status to the California State University (CSU) system. Students who complete an ADT and transfer to a similar major at a CSU are guaranteed a pathway to finish their baccalaureate degrees in 60 semester units.

This Associate in Arts for Transfer Degree in Economics requires students to meet the following requirements:

1. Completion of 60 semester units that are eligible for transfer to the CSU system, including the following:
  - a. The Intersegmental GE Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) or the California State University GE-Breadth Requirements (CSU GE-Breadth).
  - b. A minimum of 18 semester units in a major or area of emphasis, as determined by the community college district.
  - c. A minimum of 12 semester units earned at Merritt College.

2. Obtainment of a minimum grade point average of 2.0.
3. Obtainment of a minimum grade of "C" (or "P") for each course in the major.

See the Transfer Information section of this catalog for more information on AA-T requirements and CSU GE-Breadth or IGETC.

### Career Opportunities

Career opportunities in business, law, journalism, education, politics, finance and banking, government, public and private overseas service, and labor leadership are possible with a degree in economics. Many economics majors go on to pursue graduate studies in a related professional area, such as law, business, public administration or banking.

### Program Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this program, students will be able to:

1. Analyze the current economic conditions in the United States and identify appropriate fiscal and monetary policy options in relation to the US economy.
2. Apply fundamental economic concepts, including the construction of the primary economic models.
3. Evaluate complex social and economic problems using the theoretical tools and quantitative methods of economics.

### Degree Requirements:

<b>Major Core Courses (15 units)</b>		<b>Credit Hours:</b> (0 Required)
ECON 001	Principles of Economics (Macro-Economics)	3
ECON 002	Principles of Economics (Micro-Economics)	3
MATH 013	Introduction to Statistics	4
MATH 003A	Calculus I	5
<b>List A: Select two courses from the following (8 units)</b>		<b>Credit Hours:</b> (0 Required)
BUS 001A	Financial Accounting	4
BUS 001B	Managerial Accounting	4
MATH 003B	Calculus II	5
<b>List B: Select one course from the following or any course not used in List A (3 units)</b>		<b>Credit Hours:</b> (0 Required)
MATH 003C	Calculus III	5
		<b>Credit Hours:</b>
<b>Total Units that may be double-counted</b>		<b>Credit Hours:</b> (0 Required)
(The transfer GE Area limits must not be exceeded)		9
<b>IGETC or CSU GE-Breadth Education Pattern requirement</b>		<b>Credit Hours:</b> (0 Required)
IGETC or CSU GE-Breadth Education Units		37 - 39
<b>CSU Transferable Elective courses</b>		<b>Credit Hours:</b> (0 Required)
Elective (CSU Transferable) Units: GE Area CSU		5 - 6
Elective (CSU Transferable) Units: GE Area IGETC		7 - 8

**Total Degree Units (maximum)**

**Credit Hours:** (60 Required)

**Total Units for the Major:**

**Credit Hours:** (0 Required)

Total Units for the Major:

24 - 25

**Total: 60**

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