

Curriculum Change Form
(Present only one proposed curriculum change per form)
(Complete only the section(s) applicable.)

Part I

(Check one) <input type="checkbox"/> New Course (Parts II, IV) <input type="checkbox"/> Course Revision (Parts II, IV) <input type="checkbox"/> Hybrid Course ("S," "W") <input type="checkbox"/> Course Dropped (Part II) <input type="checkbox"/> New Program (Part III) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Program Revision (Part III) <input type="checkbox"/> Program Suspended (Part III)	Department Name <u>ECON</u> College <u>CAS</u> *Course Prefix & Number _____ *Course Title (<u>30 characters</u>) _____ *Program Title <u>Economics</u> (Major <u>xx</u> , Option ____; Minor ____; or Certificate ____) *Provide only the information relevant to the proposal.	
Proposal Approved by: _____ Date <u>4/1/09</u> Graduate Council* _____ Date <u>NA</u> Departmental Committee _____ <i>Is this a SACS Substantive Change? Yes*** <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></i> Council on Academic Affairs _____ College Curriculum Committee _____ Approved <u>x</u> Disapproved _____ 5/21/09 General Education Committee* _____ NA Faculty Senate** _____ Pending Teacher Education Committee* _____ NA Board of Regents** _____ Pending Council on Postsecondary Edu.*** _____ NA		
*If Applicable (Type NA if not applicable.) **Approval needed for new, revised, or suspended programs ***Approval/Posting needed for new degree program or certificate program ****If "yes", SACS must be notified before implementation. Please contact EKU's Office of Institutional Effectiveness.		

Completion of A, B, and C is required: (Please be specific, but concise.)

A. 1. Specific action requested: (Example: To increase the number of credit hours for ABC 100 from 1 to 2.)
 To reduce the number of hours for the BA degree in Economics from 128 semester hours to 120 semester hours, and to add ECO 330W (a writing-intensive course) to the program text.

A. 2. Effective date: (Example: Fall 2001)
 Fall 2009

A. 3. Effective date of suspended programs for currently enrolled students: (if applicable)

B. The justification for this action:
 The 8 hour reduction in the BA Economics degree program is proposed by reducing free electives from 28 hours to 20 hours. Thus there is no impact on the major requirements for the BA Economics degree. The 8 hour reduction would make the ECU Economics program more competitive within Kentucky with no impact on program quality.

C. The projected cost (or savings) of this proposal is as follows:

Personnel Impact: No direct impact, but if the credit hour reduction attracts more students to the Economics major, the enrollment increase could increase class size. Some increase can be accommodated with current staffing.

Operating Expenses Impact: No impact.

Equipment/Physical Facility Needs: No impact.

Library Resources: No impact.

Part II. Recording Data for New, Revised, or Dropped Course

(For a **new required course**, complete a separate request for the appropriate program revisions.)

1. For a new course, provide the catalog text.
2. For a revised course, provide the current catalog text with the proposed text using ~~strikethrough~~ for deletions and underlines for additions.
3. For a dropped course, provide the current catalog text.

New or Revised* Catalog Text

(*Use ~~strikethrough~~ for deletions and underlines for additions. Also include Crs. Prefix, No., and description, limited to 35 words.)

Part III. Recording Data for New, Revised, or Suspended Program

1. For a new program, provide the catalog description as being proposed.
2. For a revised program, provide the current program requirements using ~~strikethrough~~ for deletions and underlines for additions.
3. For a suspended program, provide the current program requirements as shown in catalog. List any options and/or minors affected by the program's suspension.

New or Revised* Program Text
(*Use ~~strikethrough~~ for deletions and underlines for additions.)

Economics (B.A.)
CIP Code: 45.0601

Major Requirements33 hours

A minimum grade of “C” is required in all courses counted towards the major.

Economics Core21 hours

ECO 220, 230, 231, 320, 330W, 331, and 420. Majors must select an option in General Economics, Applied Economics, International Economics, or Public Policy.

Options12 hours

General Economics12 hours

Twelve hours of upper division economics courses.

Applied Economics.....12 hours

ECO 300 and nine hours of upper division economics courses.

International Economics12 hours

ECO 394, 395, and six hours of upper division economics courses.

Public Policy12 hours

ECO 315, 365, and six hours from ECO 324, 333, 370, 394, 580 or 590.

Supporting Course Requirements21 hours

Additional supporting course requirements beyond those specified below must be approved by the advisor in consultation with the Chair of the Department of Economics.

General Economics: MAT 211 plus 18 hours of courses as noted above.

Applied Economics: MAT 107 or 211; six hours of courses as noted above; and twelve hours from a list of approved courses within specific program areas, including (but not limited to) Agriculture, Construction Technology, and Travel and Tourism.

International Economics: MAT 107 or 211; six hours of courses as noted above; and one of the following three alternatives: (1) twelve hours of foreign language, (2) twelve hours of area studies to be pre-approved by the advisor and the Chair, or (3) twelve hours from the core and elective courses listed in the International Studies minor.

Public Policy: MAT 107 or 211; POL 101, 321, 374; three hours from POL 370, 371, 377; plus six hours of courses as noted above.

General Education Requirements45 hours

Standard General Education program, excluding general education block II. Refer to Section Four of this *Catalog* for details on the General Education and University requirements.

University Requirement1 hour

ASO 100.

Free Electives2820 hours

Total Curriculum Requirements~~128~~120 hours