Major Day Information Sheet

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Major: Economics

Description of Major: This field studies the allocation of economic resources to pursue personal, business and social goals, providing a basis for business and public decision making. In addition to other university requirements, student who major in economics are required to complete two introductory courses (ECO 1 and ECO 2) and eight advanced economics courses (i.e.: 24 credits in economics courses numbered over 100). One course from the Social Science 200 series is also required. Mathematics, Business, Political Science, History and Sociology are recommended Distributions. For more details, visit our webpage at www.liu.edu/Brooklyn/Academics/Schools/CLAS/Programs/Div3/Economics.

Is a minor available? Yes. An economics minor requires completing 4 advanced economics courses (i.e.: 12 credits in economics courses numbered over 100) in addition to other university requirements.

Students in this major should enjoy the following subjects: Aside from courses in economics per se, economics students are likely to enjoy a variety of business subjects, including finance, marketing, management and accounting, which often consist of practical applications of fundamental economic theories, and also social science subjects like Political Science, Sociology, Anthropology and History, which partly rely on economics to explain socio-political phenomena.

Special requirements to be accepted into this major (ex. Exam, volunteer experience, GPA):

Continued enrollment in this program is contingent upon maintaining an overall grade-point average of 2.0 and also a grade-point average of 2.0 in Economics.

Classes to consider if you are interested in this major: Students are introduced to basic economics methods and theories in our introductory sequence (ECO 1 and ECO 2). They encounter extensions and applications of these methods to important aspects of modern economies in a variety of advanced courses. For example, International Economics (ECO 125) examines economic interactions among different nations, Industrial Economics (ECO 115) focuses on the interactions among firms within an industry, Public Finance (ECO 133) and Government Regulating Business (ECO 116) examine the role of the government in a market economy, Money and Banking (ECO 105) provides an introduction to the macroeconomic role of the financial sector. Other courses regularly offered are Economic Development (ECO 138), Urban Economics (ECO 140), Labor Economics (ECO 113), Comparative Economic Systems (ECO 132), and History of Economic Thought (ECO 117) among other courses.

Examples of jobs alumni of this major have obtained: An undergraduate education in economics also brings about a considerable vocational benefit. Economics provides a relevant background for several careers, including not only employment right after graduation but also graduate studies as well as careers in business, law, education, public service and related fields. In particular, economics majors seeking employment immediately after college often find job opportunities in management, insurance, real estate, financial analysis, computing systems, consulting, banking, sales and public administration. For more information about career paths for economics majors, visit the *American Economic Association*'s Webpage at www.aeaweb.org/students/Careers.php