Economics Minor – VSB

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**Program:** Economics  
**Type:** Minor

**About**

Economics addresses how individuals and firms make decisions in a world of scarcity and uncertainty while also presenting opportunities to learn how to analyze the performance and interaction of national economies. The curriculum is designed to promote the development of quantitative skills as well as written and verbal communication abilities, so students are equipped to critically examine the effects of economic factors on market participants in the private and public sectors. Because of the growing complexity of the global economy, there is an increase in the demand for individuals who can provide and communicate quantitative analysis of economic variables and their effects on forecasting sales, managing costs, allocating budgets, and choosing investment options. Economics graduates find employment in private industry, consulting, think tanks and policy institutes, the public sector, and academia. Economics is also a perfect preparation for Law School.

**Course Requirements for Economics Minor (9 Credits)**

Economics minor requires **three (3)** unique ECO courses to fulfill the minor requirements.

**Note:** Economics minor elective course must be 3000 or above. ECO 3108, ECO 3120, or ECO 3130 do not count toward Economics elective course.

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**Also note:**

- Economics minor courses may fulfill the free elective requirements.
- MAT 4550 (Math of Financial Derivatives) may also fulfill ECC minor elective requirement.

**Category Descriptions**

**3 cr. Economics Elective**

Credits: 3

Plus one additional Economics elective course with course number of 3000 or above (except ECO 3108, ECO 3120, and ECO 3130).