

Economics and Philosophy, BS

Both philosophy and economics are the disciplines of critical thinking—thinking in concrete and abstract terms to help put the world in perspective. The combined economics and philosophy major provides students with training to critically evaluate and assess policies and issues on both economic and ethical grounds, including issues such as globalization, immigration, environmental protections, the minimum wage, a fair and just tax, just working environments, and many more.

Program Requirements

- Concentrations and course offerings may vary by campus and/or by program modality. Please consult with your advisor or admissions coach for the course availability each term at your campus or within your program modality.
- Certain options within the program may be *required* at certain campuses or for certain program modalities. Please consult with your advisor or admissions coach for requirements at your campus or for your program modality.

Complete all courses listed below unless otherwise indicated. Also complete any corequisite labs, recitations, clinicals, or tools courses where specified and complete any additional courses needed beyond specific college and major requirements to satisfy graduation credit requirements.

Universitywide Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the Universitywide Requirements (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/university-wide-requirements/>).

NUpath Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the NUpath Requirements (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/nupath/>).

Overview and Supporting Courses

Code	Title	Hours
Introduction to College		
Complete one of the following:		
ECON 1000 or PHIL 1000	Economics at Northeastern Philosophy at Northeastern	1
Supporting Courses		
MATH 1231 or MATH 1241 or MATH 1245 or MATH 1251 or MATH 1340 or MATH 1341	Calculus for Business and Economics (It is highly recommended that students who take MATH 1231 take sections devoted to ECON students only.) Calculus 1 Calculus with Applications Calculus and Differential Equations for Biology 1 Intensive Calculus for Engineers Calculus 1 for Science and Engineering	4

Economics Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Required Economics Courses		
ECON 1115	Principles of Macroeconomics	4
ECON 1116	Principles of Microeconomics	4
ECON 2315	Macroeconomic Theory	4
ECON 2316	Microeconomic Theory	4
ECON 2350	Statistics for Economists	4
ECON 2560	Applied Econometrics	4
ECON 3520	History of Economic Thought	4

Economics Electives

Complete two ECON elective courses from the following ranges with no more than one in the ECON 1200 to 1999 range. Unless otherwise noted in specific combined majors, required core ECON courses cannot be counted as electives by students completing Department of Economics programs. Additionally, ECON 3520 may not be used as an ECON elective: 8

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ECON 1200 to ECON 1999

ECON 2990 to ECON 3559

ECON 3561 to ECON 4689

ECON 4900 to ECON 4999

ECON 5200 to ECON 5999

Philosophy Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Philosophy Required Courses		
PHIL 1115	Introduction to Logic	4
PHIL 2325	Ancient Philosophy and Political Thought	4
PHIL 2330	Modern Philosophy	4
Advanced Philosophy Elective		
Complete one PHIL course with a designation of 3000 or above not used to satisfy another requirement.		4
Critical Philosophy Elective		
Complete one of the following courses not used to fulfill another requirement:		4
AFCS 1101	Introduction to African American and Africana Studies	
PHIL 1104	Goddesses, Witches, Saints, and Sinners: Women and Religion	
PHIL 1271	Sex in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam	
PHIL 2155	Human Rights	
PHIL 2492	Indigenous Philosophy	
PHIL 2619	Race and Religion in Film	
PHIL 3500	Sexuality, Gender, and the Law	
PHIL 3822	Philosophy of Race and Racism	
Additional Electives		
Complete two additional electives in philosophy or religion. At least one must be numbered 2000 or above.		8

Integrative Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Complete the capstone and one of the other courses listed below that has not been used in the above requirements.		
Capstone		
PHIL 4550	Philosophy of Economics	4
or PHIL 5001	Global Justice	
or PHIL 5002	Ethics and Public Policy	
Complete one additional integrative course not used to satisfy other requirements:		
PHIL 3435	Moral Philosophy	4
or PHIL 2001	Ethics and Evolutionary Games	
or PHIL 4500	Theory of Knowledge	
or PHIL 4510	Philosophy of Science	
or PHIL 5001	Global Justice	
or PHIL 5002	Ethics and Public Policy	

Major GPA/Credit Requirement

Complete 76 semester hours in the major.

Grades in the following courses must average to a minimum of C (2.000):

Code	Title	Hours
ECON 2315	Macroeconomic Theory	
ECON 2316	Microeconomic Theory	
ECON 2350	Statistics for Economists	
ECON 2560	Applied Econometrics	

Experiential Liberal Arts

All students in this College of Social Sciences and Humanities program are required to complete the Experiential Liberal Arts Requirement (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/social-sciences-humanities/#ela>).

Program Requirement

128 total semester hours required

Plan of Study

Sample Plan of Study: Four Years, Two Co-ops in Summer 2/Fall

Year 1								
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours	
ECON 1115		4 ECON 1116		4 ECON elective 1		4 Elective	4	
ENGW 1111		4 MATH 1231, 1241, 1245, 1251, 1340, or 1341		4 Elective		4 Elective	4	
PHIL 1000 or ECON 1000		1 PHIL 1115		4				
Elective		4 POLS 2325		4				
Elective		4						
		17			16			8
Year 2								
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours	
ECON 2315		4 ECON 2316		4 ENGW 3302, 3308, or 3315		4 Co-op	0	
ECON 2350		4 ECON 2560		4 Critical philosophy elective		4		
PHIL 2330		4 PHIL advanced elective		4				
ECON elective 2		4 PHIL integrative course		4				
		16			16			8
Year 3								
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours	
Co-op		0 ECON 2560		4 Elective		4 Co-op	0	
		Computing and social issues requirement		4 Elective		4		
		PHIL integrative course		4				
		Elective		4				
		0			16			8
Year 4								
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours					
Co-op		0 ECON 3520		4				
		ECON 4692		4				
		PHIL capstone		4				
		PHIL intermediate/advanced elective		4				
		0			16			

Total Hours: 129