

# Economics and Journalism, BS

The combined major in economics and journalism integrates the analytical and critical thinking skills from economics with the versatile and dynamic world of journalism. Combined with studying the principles, practices, and responsibilities of journalism, students develop analytical skills that are useful to understand today's current economic events and debates. The skill sets students acquire allow them to better communicate information in areas such as public policy, business, law, and the media. The combined major highlights the important role journalism plays in shaping how economic issues are conveyed to the public.

## Program Requirements

### Introduction

Code	Title	Hours
JRNL 1000 or ECON 1000	Journalism at Northeastern Economics at Northeastern	1

### Co-op Course

Code	Title	Hours
EESH 2000 or EEAM 2000	Professional Development for Co-op Professional Development for Co-op	1

### Economics Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Required Economics Courses</b>		
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	4
ECON 2560	Applied Econometrics	4

### Economics Electives

Complete three electives from the following ranges, with one of those courses, at most, at the 1000-level:	12
ECON 1200 to ECON 1999	
ECON 2990 to ECON 4689	
ECON 4900 to ECON 4999	
ECON 5200 to ECON 5999	

### Journalism Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Introductory</b>		
JRNL 1150	Understanding Today's News	4
<b>Foundation Courses</b>		
A grade of C or higher is required:		
JRNL 1101 and JRNL 1102	Journalism 1: Fundamentals of Reporting and Journalist's Toolbox	5
JRNL 2201	Journalism 2: Intermediate Reporting	4
JRNL 2301	Visual Storytelling in Journalism	4
JRNL 3610	Digital Storytelling and Social Media	4
<b>Law and Ethics</b>		
Taking either course fulfills both the capstone requirement and the journalism law and ethics requirement:		
JRNL 3550 or JRNL 4650	The First Amendment and the Media Ethics and Issues in Journalism	4

### Journalism Electives

Complete three JRNL electives.	12
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## Supporting Courses

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Calculus</b>		
MATH 1231 or MATH 1341 or MATH 1245 or MATH 1241 or MATH 1251 or MATH 1340	Calculus for Business and Economics Calculus 1 for Science and Engineering Calculus with Applications Calculus 1 Calculus and Differential Equations for Biology 1 Intensive Calculus for Engineers	4
<b>Computer Science</b>		
Complete one of the following:		4-5
CS 1100 and CS 1101	Computer Science and Its Applications and Lab for CS 1100	
DS 2000 and DS 2001	Programming with Data and Data Science Programming Practicum	
MISM 2510	Fundamentals of Information Analytics	

## Integrative Courses

Code	Title	Hours
Complete one of the following (may not overlap with courses used for electives):		
JRNL 3680	Advanced Reporting	4
JRNL 3700	Data Storytelling	
Complete one of the following (may not overlap with courses used for electives):		
ECON 1260	Contested Issues in the U.S. Economy	4
ECON 3423	Environmental Economics	
ECON 3440	Public Finance	
ECON 4635	International Economics	
ECON 4640	Financial Economics	

## Capstone

Fulfilled by the journalism law and ethics requirement.

## Economics GPA/Credit Requirement

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

Code	Title	Hours
ECON 2315	Macroeconomic Theory	4
ECON 2316	Microeconomic Theory	4
ECON 2350	Statistics	4
ECON 2560	Applied Econometrics	4

## Program Requirements

89 semester hours in the major

129 overall semester hours required

## Plan of Study

### Four Years, Two Co-ops in Summer 2/Fall

Year 1								
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours	Hours
ECON 1115		4 CS 1100, DS 2000 <i>and</i> DS 2001, or MISM 2510		4 Elective		4 Elective		4
ENGW 1111 or 1102		4 ECON 1116		4 Elective		4 Elective		4
JRNL 1000 or ECON 1000		1 JRNL 1101 and JRNL 1102		5				
JRNL 1150		4 Elective		4				

MATH 1231, 1241, 1245, 1341, 1340, or 1251	4							
	17			17		8		8
<b>Year 2</b>								
<b>Fall</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Summer 1</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Summer 2</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Hours</b>
ECON 2315		4 ECON 2316		4 Elective		4 Co-op		
JRNL 2201		4 ECON 2350		4 Elective		4		
ECON elective 1		4 EESH 2000 or EEAM 2000		1				
JRNL elective 1		4 JRNL 2301		4				
		JRNL elective 2		4				
	16			17		8		0
<b>Year 3</b>								
<b>Fall</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Summer 1</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Summer 2</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Hours</b>
Co-op		ECON 2560		4 ECON 3423, 3440, 4635, 4640, or 1260		4 Co-op		
		JRNL 3700 or 3680		4 Elective		4		
		JRNL 3610		4				
		ECON elective 2		4				
	0			16		8		0
<b>Year 4</b>								
<b>Fall</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Hours</b>					
Co-op		ECON 4692		4				
		JRNL 3550 or 4650		4				
		ECON elective 3		4				
		JRNL elective 3		4				
	0			16				

Total Hours: 131