Deepen your subject knowledge, complete a focused research project, and increase your employability with a rewarding Honours year in Economics.

Honours courses in Economics are available to high achieving students. If you complete Honours, you will undertake a research dissertation (normally 15,000 words) and complete advanced level units.

Completing Honours demonstrates to employers that you are a high achiever, committed to realising your goals, and able to take responsibility for a project and work to a high standard. In addition, you will:

1. Build a valuable skill set: this includes advanced problem solving skills; research skills; the ability to think independently, work within deadlines and self-motivate; and the opportunity to grow in self-confidence, whilst refining written, verbal and presentation skills.

2. Be eligible for the most highly sought after graduate positions, including placements at the Reserve Bank of Australia, Treasury and the Productivity Commission. This will provide you with world-class training and put you in good stead for an exciting and rewarding professional career.

3. Be prepared for further postgraduate study opportunities: an Honours degree from UWA provides a pathway to further study at some of the leading universities worldwide. Many of our graduates go on to study at PhD or Master’s level.

4. Have a greater level of autonomy in study: Honours allows you to independently manage your time and work towards a goal set by yourself. This will mean that any achievement will be a result of your own efforts, occasioning a great sense of self-satisfaction and pride.

5. Experience a year unlike any other: the additional year of study is a rewarding and enjoyable experience. It will result in the culmination and development of skills attained throughout your undergraduate degree, you will develop lasting friendships with your peers, and you will experience an exciting and stimulating year of study.

The Honours experience

The Economics Honours course consists of 48 points including a dissertation (24 points) and four coursework units (24 points), normally completed in one year of full-time study. You will need to choose four coursework units from the following:

- ECON4401 Basic Econometrics for Research
- ECON4402 Microeconomic Theory
- ECON4405 Public Economics
- ECON4408 Advanced Development Economics
- ECON4410 Environmental and Resource Economics
- ECON4413 Applied Advanced Econometrics
- ECON4415 International Finance and Markets
- ECON4418 Macroeconomic Theory
- ECON4450 Advanced International Trade
• ECON4503 Advanced Economic Analysis
• ECON4507 History of Economic Thought

Note: All units are subject to availability.

The dissertation must be completed in two consecutive semesters, regardless of whether you are studying full-time or part-time.

Students undertaking Honours are strongly encouraged to enrol in ECON4402 Microeconomic Theory and ECON4418 Macroeconomic Theory during their Honours year.

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Each unit involves a weekly, three-hour seminar comprising a two hour lecture-style presentation and a one hour workshop. The remaining time can be allocated at your discretion between coursework and dissertation, facilitating a high level of autonomy over time management that is not possible in undergraduate years.

Writing the dissertation will provide you with invaluable skills such as the organisation of a large-scale project and the development of analytical, verbal and writing skills. You will also gain experience in defining a researchable question and preparing a major report to a professional standard.


Delivery mode

Honours can be completed in one year of full-time study, or the equivalent in part-time study. Classes are held on campus with intakes in February.

Admission

To be eligible for entry to an Honours course, you must have completed a relevant major in your undergraduate degree to a sufficiently high level, as determined by the Faculty. As a guide, the Business School normally requires an average mark of at least 75 per cent in the units comprising the relevant major.

It is strongly recommended that students who are enrolled in the Economics single major study ECON3302 Applied Microeconomics and ECON3303 Applied Macroeconomics in their third year to ensure sufficient preparation for units at Honours level.

How to apply

Honours applications are available online at studyat.uwa.edu.au/courses-and-careers/honours

Applications for 2016 close in December 2015.

Enquiries and further information

This publication is intended as a general guide only. Full details of honours courses and available units can be found in the UWA Undergraduate Handbook (see handbooks.uwa.edu.au).

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Scholarships

There are numerous scholarships you can apply for when undertaking an honours course within the Business School. A selection of these are listed below, and for a full list of scholarships and detailed eligibility criteria, visit business.uwa.edu.au/scholarships

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