

Information for Reciprocity Students Studying Economics at UCLA

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Course Selections

Economics courses at UCLA are highly impacted. Not all courses are offered each term or each year. Therefore, **it might not be possible to enroll in your preferred courses and you must be prepared to make alternate course selections.**

- **Economics courses are open to economics majors only;** students in other majors may not enroll.
- Enrollment for majors is limited to a **maximum of two courses** per term.
- Certain courses are restricted to UCLA students officially in the Business Economics or Economics/International Area Studies majors. You will **not be allowed to enroll in Economics 106 series courses and Economics 199B.**
- **You must have completed the equivalent of Economics 11, 101 and 102; you will not be allowed to enroll in these courses after you arrive at UCLA.**
- You may enroll in graduate level courses (number 200 or higher) only if you obtain the instructors permission.

In order to enroll in a course, you must have completed all course prerequisites (see the [General Catalog](#) for details) **or their equivalent. Enrollment is subject to the availability of space in a class.**

Questions about prerequisites for courses should be addressed to the counselors. When selecting courses, keep in mind that most economics courses have prerequisites of UCLA's Economics 11 and 101 (calculus-based intermediate microeconomics). Many courses also require completion of Economics 102 (calculus-based intermediate macroeconomics). Review syllabi for these courses to make sure that you have completed them at your home university.

The webpage containing past UCLA Department of Economics syllabi can be found at www.econ.ucla.edu. Click on *Undergraduate*, then *Class Websites*, a particular quarter, the course, and then the syllabus link. The sites include actual syllabi for courses offered by term, examples of previous midterm and final exams, as well as announcements and a discussion board for each class. This is an excellent method of researching what a course contains if the current syllabus is not yet available. Keep in mind that the syllabus for a particular course may vary from one instructor to another. Current syllabi are generally not posted until the quarter begins.

The **standard course load** of UCLA Department of Economics students is generally two economics courses per quarter, with the remainder of their courses (one or two more) taken from other departments (History, English, Political Science, etc.). The ten-week quarter is very quickly paced and can be particularly challenging for international students. **You must plan to take no more than two economics courses in one quarter.**

Begin by visiting the UCLA Department of Economics' website. It is full of great resources to be used in addition to the class descriptions found in the UCLA [General Catalog](#).

Enrollment

Students are encouraged to enroll using [URSA](#), the online registration system, **as soon as their "first pass" (earliest) registration period starts.**

Counselor assistance will be necessary to enroll in economics courses.

Contact the counseling staff **as soon as your registration period begins.** Do not wait until you arrive at UCLA to enroll in courses because they will most likely be full by that time.

Once you have thoroughly researched your courses and have checked with the [Schedule of Classes](#) to verify that times and days of classes do not coincide, send an [e-mail](#) listing your course selections (including alternate options in case first choice classes are closed) to the counselors in the Department of Economics. **Include your pass date and time, UCLA student ID number, the course name and number, and nine-digit ID number.** A counselor will enroll you as long as you meet the prerequisite, and as long as there is still space in the course.

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