Students are admitted to UCSC with a "proposed major" in most cases, and later petition to officially declare the major. Admission to UCSC does not guarantee acceptance into a particular major. Students must be declared in a major by the end of the second year (or equivalent), so learning about and preparing for a major is a primary goal for first-year students.

### BUSINESS MANAGEMENT ECONOMICS

This is a course-intensive program, and students who intend to pursue this major must begin taking classes for the major sometime in their first year at UCSC.

**Qualification requirements and/or prerequisites for the major:**

Students who have a combined grade-point average (GPA) of 2.8 or better in ECON 1, 2, and the first calculus course qualify for the economics major upon applying. Students receiving a grade of NP, D, or F in one of the courses required for admission to the major may only declare once they have passed the same or equivalent course with a grade of C or better. Students who receive two grades of NP, C-, D, or F in the required courses are not eligible to declare the major.

- Determine your math placement by completing an assessment in ALEKS as soon as possible, and by July 16 at the very latest. See https://mathcoach.sites.ucsc.edu for information about ALEKS. If you completed a college-level math course, or scored 3 or better on an AP calculus exam, or 5 or better on an IBH mathematics exam, you may be able to use that for placement instead of the ALEKS assessment. See https://mathcoach.sites.ucsc.edu/courses/course-credit/ for information on placement based on college courses or AP/IBH.

- Students who have taken college-level transferable classes that may apply to the requirements of this major should submit an unofficial transcript to the department prior to July 1. This transcript is in addition to the official transcript that is required by the UCSC Admissions Office.

**Sample first year plan:**

We advise students to wait until winter or spring to take ECON 1 or 2, since it is crucial they do well in these classes, in addition to their first quarter of calculus (ECON/AMS 11A) for admittance into the major.

**Fall:**

- ECON 10A: Economics of Accounting I
- MATH 3: Precalculus

**Winter:**

- ECON 1: Introduction to Microeconomics, and
- ECON 10B: Economics of Accounting II
- ECON/AMS 11A: Math Methods for Economists I

**Spring:**

- ECON 2: Introduction to Macroeconomics, and
- ECON/AMS 11B: Math Methods for Economists II

**Sample academic plans are available at:**

[http://economics.ucsc.edu/academics/undergraduate-program/forms.html](http://economics.ucsc.edu/academics/undergraduate-program/forms.html)

**Links to More Information:**

- [http://admissions.ucsc.edu/academics/majors/](http://admissions.ucsc.edu/academics/majors/) (general info)
- [http://registrar.ucsc.edu/catalog/programs-courses/](http://registrar.ucsc.edu/catalog/programs-courses/) (major requirements, course descriptions, etc.)
- [https://economics.ucsc.edu/academics/undergraduate-program/majors-minor/business-management.html](https://economics.ucsc.edu/academics/undergraduate-program/majors-minor/business-management.html) (program website)

**Questions? Contact an Adviser!**

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