

**UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SANTA CRUZ**  
**NEW STUDENT MAJOR ADVISING SUMMARY FOR 2018-2019 FROSH**

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.

**Major: GLOBAL ECONOMICS**

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| Importance of an early start:   | 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.  |
| Frosh who intend to pursue this major should do the following things prior to the beginning of fall term... | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ Determine your math placement by completing an assessment in ALEKS as soon as possible, and by July 16 at the very latest. See <a href="https://mathcoach.sites.ucsc.edu">https://mathcoach.sites.ucsc.edu</a> 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 <a href="https://mathcoach.sites.ucsc.edu/courses/course-credit/">https://mathcoach.sites.ucsc.edu/courses/course-credit/</a> for information on placement based on college courses or AP/IBH.</li> <li>❑ 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.</li> </ul> |
| ...and should take these courses their first term:  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Language Course (if available in your language and at your level)</li> <li>• MATH 2 or 3, or AMS 11A (depending on placement)</li> </ul> <p>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. <i>Because the grade in calculus is included in the qualification to the major, students should be sure they are well prepared to take this course.</i></p>   |
| Sample first year plan:   | <p>Sample academic plans are available at:<br/> <a href="http://economics.ucsc.edu/academics/undergraduate-program/forms.html">http://economics.ucsc.edu/academics/undergraduate-program/forms.html</a></p> <p>Fall: MATH 3: <i>Precalculus</i><br/>           Language Course (if possible; see above)</p> <p>Winter: ECON 1: <i>Introduction to Microeconomics</i><br/>           ECON/AMS 11A: <i>Math Methods for Economists I</i><br/>           Language Course (if possible; see above)</p> <p>Spring: ECON 2: <i>Introduction to Macroeconomics</i>,<br/>           ECON/AMS 11B: <i>Math Methods for Economists II</i><br/>           Language Course (if possible; see above)</p>   |
| Skills important for success in this major:   | Critical reading and thinking skills, skills in mathematics and formal reasoning, deductive thinking.   |
| Other Information:  | ECON 100A/M, 100B/N and 113 are much more difficult than ECON 1 & 2. Students should devise their academic plans to ensure they will not have to take more than one of ECON 100A/M, 100B/N, and 113 in the same term, since it is crucial that students pass these courses on the first attempt.  |
| Links to More Information:  | <p><a href="http://admissions.ucsc.edu/academics/majors/">http://admissions.ucsc.edu/academics/majors/</a> (general info)<br/> <a href="http://registrar.ucsc.edu/catalog/programs-courses/">http://registrar.ucsc.edu/catalog/programs-courses/</a><br/>           (major requirements, course descriptions, etc.)</p> <p><a href="https://economics.ucsc.edu/academics/undergraduate-program/majors-minor/global-economics.html">https://economics.ucsc.edu/academics/undergraduate-program/majors-minor/global-economics.html</a> (program website)</p>  |
| Questions? Contact an Adviser!  | <p>Lisa Morgan and Inga Tromba<br/>           459-5028 or 459-2028 or <a href="mailto:econ_ugrad_coor@ucsc.edu">econ_ugrad_coor@ucsc.edu</a><br/>           401 Engineering 2</p>   |