



## **Programme Specification**

### **Economics [Frenchay]**

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## Section 1: Key Programme Details

### Part A: Programme Information

**Programme title:** Economics [Frenchay]

**Highest award:** BA (Hons) Economics

**Interim award:** BA Economics

**Interim award:** DipHE Economics

**Interim award:** CertHE Economics

**Awarding institution:** UWE Bristol

**Affiliated institutions:** Not applicable

**Teaching institutions:** UWE Bristol

**Study abroad:** Yes

**Year abroad:** Yes

**Sandwich year:** Yes

**Credit recognition:** No

**Department responsible for the programme:** FBL Dept of Accounting Economics & Finance, Faculty of Business & Law

**Contributing departments:** Not applicable

**Professional, statutory or regulatory bodies:**

Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA)

**Apprenticeship:** Not applicable

**Mode of delivery:** Full-time, Sandwich

**Entry requirements:** For the current entry requirements see the UWE public website.

**For implementation from:** 01 September 2018

**Programme code:** L100A00

## Section 2: Programme Overview, Aims and Learning Outcomes

### Part A: Programme Overview, Aims and Learning Outcomes

**Overview:** The BA(Hons) Economics has been designed to allow students to acquire the skills and intellectual attributes associated with employment or further study as an economist.

**Educational Aims:** The undergraduate Economics provision at UWE, Bristol aims to help students become practical economists with the necessary skills to enter into a wide variety of jobs in the banking, financial, government and international community. Focus will be placed on the ability to analyse economic, financial and business information and provide answers as to what is happening and crucially what is expected to happen in the future. The degree will have a strong theoretical component as well as focusing on real-world issues, such as intergenerational sustainability and global growth, that allow you to use a range of different methods and theories to understand these issues more deeply. You will use quantitative and qualitative methods, ways of thinking and analysing which you will learn to combine to provide the most apt solution to any economic problem. You will develop communication and presentation skills so you are able to tell coherent stories about complex issues to a variety of audiences. At UWE we draw on cutting edge economic knowledge based on our own research and scholarly activities and apply this to the real world.

By their final year, students will be equipped by their first two years of study (which may be further enhanced by the opportunity to complete a work placement) to undertake both integrative and specialist subjects, and to complete an independent research-based piece of work of their choosing within the field of Economics. The programme's philosophy is underpinned by a commitment to developing students as independent autonomous learners who can analyse a range of social and economic problems. This provides them with flexibility of opportunity on successful completion

of their degree either to study economics at postgraduate level or to use their in-depth knowledge of economics in a whole range of occupations.

**Programme Learning Outcomes:**

On successful completion of this programme graduates will achieve the following learning outcomes.

**Knowledge and Understanding**

- A1. Economic concepts and principles
- A2. Economic theory and modelling
- A3. Quantitative methods and computing techniques
- A4. Sources and context of economic data and evidence;
- A5. Economic reasoning
- A6. Specialised areas of economics
- A7. Economic problems and solutions
- A8. Global citizenship
- A9. Social and economic consequences of economic growth
- A10. Social justice, ethics and wellbeing
- A11. Intergenerational economic implications

**Intellectual Skills**

- B1. Model a problem
- B2. Analyse and reason
- B3. Review and evaluate evidence
- B4. Communicate results
- B5. Be critically aware of the limits of economics
- B6. Construct economic policy

**Subject/Professional Practice Skills**

- C1. Abstraction
- C2. Analysis, deduction and induction
- C3. Quantification and design
- C4. Framing

**Transferable Skills and other attributes**

- D1. Communicate
- D2. Use numeracy
- D3. Use information technology (IT)
- D4. Work as a team
- D5. Self-manage
- D6. Learn to learn

**Part B: Programme Structure****Year 1**

Full time and sandwich students must take 120 credits from the modules in Year 1.

**Year 1 Compulsory Modules (Full Time and Sandwich)**

Full time and sandwich students must take 120 credits from the modules in Compulsory Modules (Full Time and Sandwich).

<b>Module Code</b>	<b>Module Title</b>	<b>Credit</b>
UMEDRR-15-1	Economic Reasoning 2023-24	15
UMEDRS-15-1	Evolutions: Culture, Technology, and Economic Progress 2023-24	15
UMED9D-15-1	History of Economic Thought 2023-24	15
UMED8G-30-1	Macroeconomics 2023-24	30

UMED8F-30-1	Microeconomics 2023-24	30
UMED8J-15-1	Statistics and Data Management 2023-24	15

**Year 2**

Full time and sandwich students must take 120 credits from the modules in Year 2.

**Year 2 Compulsory Modules (Full Time and Sandwich)**

Full time and sandwich students must take 90 credits from the modules in Compulsory Modules (Full Time and Sandwich).

<b>Module Code</b>	<b>Module Title</b>	<b>Credit</b>
UMED8K-30-2	Applied Microeconomics 2024-25	30
UMED8N-15-2	Economic Research Methods 2024-25	15
UMED8M-15-2	Introductory Econometrics 2024-25	15
UMED8L-30-2	Macroeconomics: Theory and Applications 2024-25	30

**Year 2 Optional Modules (Full Time and Sandwich)**

Full Time and Sandwich students must take 30 credits from the optional modules listed (subject to availability).

<b>Module Code</b>	<b>Module Title</b>	<b>Credit</b>
UMED8Q-15-2	Economics of Money and Banking 2024-25	15
UMED8R-15-2	Emerging Economies 2024-25	15
UMED8U-15-2	Good Business, Bad Business and Sustainability 2024-25	15
UMED8P-15-2	International Trade and Multinational Business 2024-25	15
UMEDSY-15-2	Race, Inequality and Justice - An Interdisciplinary Perspective 2024-25	15

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UMEDP5-15-2	The Wellbeing of People and Society 2024-25	15
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### Year 3

Full time students must take 120 credits from the modules in Year 3.

Sandwich students must take 15 credits from the modules in Year 3.

#### Placement or Study Year Abroad (SYA)

For the award of the sandwich title (SW) students must choose one of the following options both of which aim to enable students to contextualise their academic learning in an applied business and/or cultural context:

**Work Placement:** a significant period of paid employment or self-employment normally in the field relevant to the specialism of the degree. During this time students must complete and pass the 15 credit level 3 module, Placement Learning UMCDN5-15-3. This module assesses the student's personal development, from the experience of placement and their ability to identify issues relevant to their placement's organisational context and to then frame, scale and position a critical work-based enquiry relevant to the specialism of the degree.

**Study Year Abroad:** consists of two semesters of study at a partner institution abroad. During this time students must complete and pass the 15 credit level 3 module, Learning and Development on Study Year Abroad (UMCD9Y-15-3). This module assesses the student's personal development from the experience of SYA and their ability to evidence cross-cultural awareness and analysis of the country in which they have been studying. In addition, whilst at the partner institution students must have studied and attempted assessments in modules totalling 60 ECTS, of which 50-55 ECTS should be in modules related to their programme of study at UWE with a further 5-10 ECTS in the language of the host country. If the advent of failing any modules students must be able to demonstrate engagement i.e. that they have attended classes and sat the exams.

To be eligible for either Placement or SYA students must have passed a minimum of 210 credit

### Year 3 Compulsory Modules (Full Time)

Full time students must take 60 credits from the modules in Compulsory Modules (Full Time).

Module Code	Module Title	Credit
UMED93-30-3	Economic Theory and Policy 2025-26	30

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UMED8Y-30-3	Project 2025-26	30
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### Year 3 Compulsory Modules (Sandwich)

Sandwich students must take 15 credits from the modules in Compulsory Modules (Sandwich).

Module Code	Module Title	Credit
UMCD9Y-15-3	Learning and Development on Study Year Abroad 2025-26	15
UMCDN5-15-3	Placement Learning 2025-26	15

### Year 3 Compulsory Modules Choice (Full Time)

Full time students must take 15 credits from the modules in Compulsory Modules Choice (Full Time).

Module Code	Module Title	Credit
UMCDKD-15-3	Cross Cultural Learning and Development 2025-26	15
UMEDT4-15-3	Work Integrated Learning (Economics) 2025-26	15

### Year 3 Optional Modules (Full Time)

Full time students must take 45 credits from the optional modules listed (subject to availability).

Module Code	Module Title	Credit
UMED99-15-3	Behavioural Economics 2025-26	15
UMED96-15-3	Econometrics 2025-26	15
UMED8V-15-3	Economics of International Financial Markets 2025-26	15
UMED98-15-3	Economics of Labour and Migration 2025-26	15
UMEDJA-15-3	Feminist and Gender Economics 2025-26	15



UMADQK-15-3	Financial Technology 2025-26	15
UMEDKE-15-3	Political Economy 2025-26	15
UMED95-15-3	Sustainable Business 2025-26	15
UMED8X-15-3	The Economics of Developing Countries 2025-26	15

**Year 4**

Sandwich students must take 105 credits from the modules in Year 4.

**Year 4 Compulsory Modules (Sandwich)**

Sandwich students must take 60 credits from the modules in Compulsory Modules (Sandwich).

<b>Module Code</b>	<b>Module Title</b>	<b>Credit</b>
UMED93-30-3	Economic Theory and Policy 2026-27	30
UMED8Y-30-3	Project 2026-27	30

**Year 4 Optional Modules (Sandwich)**

Sandwich students must take 45 credits from the optional modules listed (subject to availability).

<b>Module Code</b>	<b>Module Title</b>	<b>Credit</b>
UMED99-15-3	Behavioural Economics 2026-27	15
UMED96-15-3	Econometrics 2026-27	15
UMED8V-15-3	Economics of International Financial Markets 2026-27	15
UMED98-15-3	Economics of Labour and Migration 2026- 27	15
UMEDJA-15-3	Feminist and Gender Economics 2026-27	15
UMADQK-15-3	Financial Technology 2026-27	15

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UMEDKE-15-3	Political Economy 2026-27	15
UMED95-15-3	Sustainable Business 2026-27	15
UMED8X-15-3	The Economics of Developing Countries 2026-27	15

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### **Part C: Higher Education Achievement Record (HEAR) Synopsis**

The UWE graduate economist is engaged, aware of context, informed about the world, and about the history of economics, the economy and economic sustainability; is critical, technically competent, confident but aware of the limitations of their analysis; is an employable skilled problem-solver, a good communicator and narrator, a team worker; is a flexible decision-maker able to deploy their judgement as to the right method, theory or data set to employ at any one time. They are co-producers of knowledge, competent, self-reliant researchers. They are analysts and synthesisers, knowledgeable about economics and the economic system.

### **Part D: External Reference Points and Benchmarks**

Description of how the following reference points and benchmarks have been used in the design of the programme:

QAA UK Quality Code for HE

National qualification framework

Subject benchmark statements

Qualification characteristics for Foundation degrees and Master's degrees (if applicable)

University strategies and policies

Staff research projects

Any relevant PSRB requirements

Any occupational standards

Reference should be made to the graduate outcomes identified in the QAA-HEA

## Guidance

The programme is in line with the QAA subject benchmark for Economics.

The on-going development of the programme and the quality of teaching and learning are informed by current students through module evaluations and SRSFs, by graduates through the alumni network, through fellow economists via the external examiners and by employers such as the Office of National Statistics. The internal subject review in July 2015 was also a useful process that resulted in very positive feedback from both external and internal panel members.

The subject lends itself to sustainable development (QAA-HEA Guidance) more than most given the economic theories of growth, development, sustainability and environmental economics. The research-led strategy of the group lends itself to making the goals achievable for the UWE Economics graduate.

### **Part E: Regulations**

Approved to University Regulations and Procedures

<https://www1.uwe.ac.uk/about/departmentsandservices/professionalservices/studentandacademicservices/regulationspoliciesquality/regulationsandprocedures.aspx>