

# Minor In Economics For Business Majors

## Degree Requirements

If a minor is required in your degree program, at least 9 (lower and/or upper-division) hours of courses in the minor must be completed at the University.

Minor in Economics for Business Majors	Credit Hours
Credit Hours in Economics needed for minor	18
ECO 215	
ECO 216	
ECO 315 or ECO 316	
+9 semester hours upper-level Economics Electives numbered 301 or above	

## Department Information

Department of Economics, Finance and Real Estate	(251) 460-7171
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The Economics and Finance major is designed to prepare students for managerial positions in business and government. Three concentrations are available within the Economics/Finance major: Economics, Finance, and Real Estate. All Economics/Finance majors are required to take the following two courses and choose one concentration area:

- ECO 315
- FIN 343 or ECO 340

### The Economics Concentration

The Economics program is designed to prepare students for professional careers in managerial positions, government, administration, education, and others. Positions in business economics and graduate study require knowledge of economics and the application of economic tools to analyze problems for decision-making.

### The Finance Concentration

The Finance program is designed to provide an understanding of the various areas and principles of finance. Students will develop a body of specialized knowledge and analytical techniques that are used in the acquisition, allocation and management of financial resources. Finance careers are typically in industry and commercial businesses, public utilities and government agencies, banks, insurance companies, brokerage houses, investment companies and other financial institutions. The finance

degree is appropriate for students who plan a career in corporate finance, financial planning, investment planning and research, or insurance.

### **The Real Estate Concentration**

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The Real Estate program is designed to educate and prepare students for the myriad of professional careers available in residential, commercial, and related real estate industries. Students will develop the specialized quantitative and qualitative skills necessary to elevate their knowledge of real estate as an asset class and investment vehicle. Studying real estate will better prepare students for the unique demands and complex risks associated with real estate practice and investment. Additionally, exposure to active real estate professionals through coursework and internships will provide students the opportunity to begin building a professional network that will add value to their education and enhance their career prospects upon graduation.