

PROGRAMME SPECIFICATION 2017

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

This specification provides a concise summary of the main features of the programme and the learning outcomes that a typical student might reasonably be expected to achieve and demonstrate if s/he takes full advantage of the learning opportunities that are provided.

Awarding Institution: University of Economics and Law, VNU

Teaching Institution: University of Economics and Law, VNU

Programme Title: Economics

Programme Code: 7310101

Mode of Study: Full-time

Accreditation details: Bachelor/ Honors Bachelor/ High-quality Bachelor in Economics

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II. PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

The programme offers you the opportunity to study Economics in depth. In so doing, it equips you with the knowledge and understanding of economic theory and its application necessary to undertake graduate study in the subject and to pursue a future career as an economist.

2.1 Learning and teaching

Our degrees are full-time programmes of three or four year duration. All programmes aim to provide knowledge of the key concepts and arguments in the relevant subjects together with the capacity to apply this knowledge in a variety of contexts. Teaching takes place during two main semesters, the first running from August to January and the second from February through to May.

2.2 Educational aims of the Programme

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The programme aims:

- To equip you with a knowledge and understanding of the core areas of economics, i.e. microeconomics, macroeconomics and quantitative methods;
- To enable you to apply economic analysis to a range of policy problems;
- To equip you with knowledge and understanding of the workings of the economy;
- To equip you with appropriate conceptual and analytic tools, and to provide opportunities for the development and application of these tools;
- To develop critical and evaluative thinking in the context of economics;
- To enable you to develop, through the study of economics, a range of skills and abilities that will contribute to your effectiveness in employment;
- To support you in becoming an independent learner, and in planning your studies and subsequent career.

2.3 Programme Learning Outcomes

PROFESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE AND REASONINGS

1.1. General knowledge of nature, society and humanities

1.1.1 To recognise general knowledge on nature, society and humanities

1.1.2 To apply knowledge of nature, society and humanities to interpret and solve practical issues

1.2. Fundamental knowledge of Economics

1.2.1 To synthesize interdisciplinary knowledge of finance, accounting, international economic relations, management, economic law to solve economic problems.

1.2.2 To apply statistical and quantitative knowledge in identification and quantification of economic relations

1.3. Specialized knowledge of Economics

1.3.1 To apply micro-economic knowledge to solve problems in economic entities and market structure.

1.3.2 To apply macro-economic knowledge to analyze, evaluate and propose macro-economic policies

1.3.3 To apply knowledge of branched economics to allocate resources efficiently

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

2.1. Analyzing, evaluating, criticizing and creating skills

2.1.1 To analyze and evaluate business activities and governmental policies

2.1.2 To criticize policies and give viewpoints in the professional area

2.1.3 To think systematically and research independently and creatively

2.2. Planning and policy consulting skills

2.2.1 To set up and appraise investment projects

2.2.2 To consult and evaluate plans, programs, projects of socio-economic development

2.2.3 To consult economic issues, policies, solutions for enterprises, local authorities and the government

2.3. Quantifying and forecasting skills

2.3.1. To statisticize to describe behaviors of economics entities

2.3.2 To define economic variable correlations

2.3.3 To forecast changes and trends of overseas and domestic economy

COMMUNICATION AND TEAMWORK SKILLS

3.1. Communication, behavior and relationship constructing skills

3.1.1 To make a presentation persuasively

3.1.2 To behave suitably to social standards

3.1.3 To give issues and solve them effectively

3.2. Teamwork skills

3.2.1 To interact, criticize and defend ideas

3.2.2 To organize and manage groups effectively and creatively

3.2.3 To arrange effective time management

3.3. Non-major foreign language skills

3.3.1 To have good English in listening and speaking

3.3.2 To comprehend specialized English materials

PERSONAL QUALITIES AND PROFESSIONAL ETHICS

4.1. Right attitudes and thoughts

4.1.1 To comply with the governmental guidelines and policies

4.1.2 To comply with Vietnamese laws and international commitments

4.1.3 To have right attitudes to social conflicts and negative actions

4.2. Social responsibilities

4.2.1 To be aware of discipline to comply with regulations at work and residence

4.2.2. Have a professional working style and high responsibility for individuals and communities

4.2.3. To have good working attitudes suitable to the social development trend

4.3. Life - Long learning awareness

4.3.1. To be aware of the meaning of life-long learning

4.3.2. To strengthen the capacity of learning and research in a long-term and effective way

4.3.3 To have the frequent habit of reading

III. PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

3.1 Total Credits

The program consists of 130 credits (excluding foreign languages, physical education, and national defense education).

- General Education Block: 46 credits allocated in semesters 1, 2, 3, and 4.
- Fundamental Knowledge Block of the Major: 36 credits studied in semesters 2, 3, and 4,5
- Specialized Knowledge Block: 38 credits studied in semesters 5, 6, and 7.
- Internship, Final Internship, Graduation Thesis/Specialized Topics: 10 credits studied in semester 4 and 8.

Students can study in parallel after completing the first semester of the first year, with a cumulative GPA above 5.

3.2 List of courses:

Semester I: 18 credits

No	Code	Courses	Credits			Prerequisites	
			Total	Theory	Exercise	Accumulated	Studied and passed courses
Compulsory Courses			16	16			
1	GEN1007	Philosophy of Marx-Lenin	5	5			
2	ECO1001	Microeconomics 1	3	3			
3	LAW1001	General law	3	3			
4	MAT1001	Advanced Mathematics	5	5			
Elective Courses			2	2			
5	GEN1101	General Psychology	3 courses choose 1	2	2		
6	GEN1102	Introduction to Communication Sciences		2	2		
7	ECO1033	Introduction to Economics		2	2		
8	GEN1004	Physical education 1	3	3			

□ **Semester II: 18 credits**

No	Code	Courses		Credits			Prerequisites	
				Total	Theory	Exercise	Accumulated	Studied and passed courses
Compulsory Courses				14	14			
1	LAW1501	Business Law		3	3			
2	ECO1002	Macroeconomics 1		3	3			ECO1001
3	ACC1013	Principles of Accounting		3	2			
4	BUS 1100	Basic Administration		3	3			
5	MAT1002	Theory of Probability		2	2			MAT1101
Elective Courses				4	4			
6	GEN1103	World Political Geography	2 courses choose 1	2	2			
7	GEN1104	International Relations		2	2			
8	GEN1105	Culturology	2 courses choose 1	2	2			
9	GEN1106	Sociology		2	2			
10	GEN1005	Physical education 2		3	3			
11	GEN1006	National defense education (4 weeks)		165				

□ **Semester III: 20 credits**

No	Code	Courses		Credits			Prerequisites	
				Total	Theory	Exercise	Accumulated	Studied and passed courses
Compulsory Courses				15	14	1		
1	ECO1051	The revolutionary of the Communist Party of Vietnam		3	3			
2	ECO1004	Economic History of Vietnam and other countries		3	3			
3	BUS 1200	Principles of Marketing		3	2	1		

4	FIN1101	Principles of Financial Markets		3	2	1		ECO1001 ECO1002
5	MAT1103	Applied Statistics		3	2	1		MAT1101
Elective Courses				5				
6	MIS1004	Applied Informatics	2 courses choose 1	3	2	1		
7	GEN107	Logicology		3	3			
8	ECO1003	Scientific research methods	2 courses choose 1	2	2			
9	BUS 1303	Teamwork Skills		2	2			

Semester IV: 18 credits

No	Code	Courses	Credits			Prerequisites	
			Total	Theory	Exercise	Accumulated	Studied and passed courses
Compulsory Courses			15	13	2		
1	GEN1003	Ho Chi Minh's thought	2	2			
2	COM1001	International Economics	2	2			
3	MIS1005	Business Information Systems	2	1	1		
4	MAT1004	Econometrics	3	2	1		MAT1001 MAT1002 MAT1003
5	ECO1010	Agricultural Economics and Rural Development	3	3			
6	ECO1007	History of Economic Theories	3	3			
Elective Courses			3				
7	FIN1103	Public Finance	3	2	1		
8		Credit-banking	3	3			

Semester V: 19 credits

No	Code	Courses	Credits			Prerequisites	
			Total	Theory	Exercise	Accumulated	Studied and passed courses
Compulsory Courses			16	15	1		
1	ECO1006	Quantitative Methods and Economic Forecasting	3	3			MAT1004
2	COM1002	Foreign economics	3	3	0		
3	ECO1056	Microeconomics 2	3	3	0		ECO1001
4	ECO1015	Economic planning and policy	3	3	0		MAT1004
5	ECO1016	Data Analysis in Economics	3	2	1		MAT1004
Elective Courses			3				
6	ECO1017	Cost-Benefit Analysis	2 courses choose 1	3	2	1	
7	ECO1019	Public Relations		3	2	1	

□ **Semester VI: 15 credits**

No	Code	Courses	Credits			Prerequisites	
			Total	Theory	Exercise	Accumulated	Studied and passed courses
Compulsory Courses			12	10	2		
1	ECO1057	Macroeconomics 2	4	3	1		ECO1002
2	ECO1008	Public economics	4	4	0		
3	ECO1044	Development economics	4	3	1		
Elective Courses			3	3			
1	COM005	International Business	3	3	0		

2		Business Strategies	3	3	0		
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□ **Semester VII : 12 credits**

No	Code	Courses	Credits			Prerequisites	
			Total	Theory	Exercise	Accumulated	Studied and passed courses
Compulsory Courses			9	8	1		
1	ECO1009	Enviromental economics	3	3			
2	ECO1013	Labor economics	3	3	0		
3	ECO1039	Establishment and Appraisal Investment Project	3	3	0		
Elective Courses			3				
1	ECO1018	Economics in Social Issues	3	3	0		
2	FIN1102	Corporate Finance					

□ **Semester VIII: 10 credits**

No	Code	Courses	Credits			Prerequisites	
			Total	Theory	Exercise	Accumulated	Studied and passed courses
Compulsory Courses			4		4		
1		Internship	4		4		
Elective Courses			6				
2		Thematic 1	3	3			
3		Thematic 2	3	3			
4		Thesis for Graduation	6		6		

3.3 Teaching Methods

Strategies for teaching and learning in an active, learner-centered manner. Various and flexible teaching and learning activities are combined such as brainstorming, lectures, case exercises, learning through problem solving, debates, group discussions, role-playing, case studies... Teaching and learning activities are interwoven in the subject to help achieve the output standards of the course and output standards of the program. In addition, teaching and learning methods also promote learners' thinking ability, research ability, independent critical thinking ability and creative problem solving skills. In addition, the training program has connections with businesses and professional organizations through seminars, workshops, and practical training for students.

3.4 The Evaluation Methods

Classification		10-Point Scale	Letter Grade
Pass	Excellent	9.0 - 10.0 A+	A+
	Good	8.0 - < 9.0 A	A
	Fairly Good	7.0 - < 8.0 B+	B+
	Above Average	6.0 - < 7.0 B	B
	Average	5.0 - < 6.0 C	C
Fail	Below Average	4.0 - < 5.0 D+	D+
	Weak	3.0 - < 4.0 D	D
	Poor	< 3.0 F	F

Evaluation criteria include continuous assessment (not mandatory), mid-term exams (20-50%), and final exams (at least 50%).

Requirements for graduation thesis: Students must have an accumulated GPA of at least "Fairly Good" and be within the top 10% of the students in the major. Students who do not complete the graduation thesis will have to take advanced specialized topics in their field of study.

3.5 The matrix of program learning outcome and courses

Semester	Course	Credit	1.1	1.2	1.3	2.1	2.2	2.3	3.1	3.2	3.3	4.1	4.2	4.3
Semester I (18 credits)	Philosophy of Marx-Lenin	5	x		x					x			x	x
	Microeconomics 1	3	x			x	x			x			x	x
	General law	3	x									x	x	x
	Advanced Mathematics	5	x			x				x				x
	Introduction to Economics *	2	x						x	x		x		
	General Psychology *	2	x						x	x		x		
Semester II (18 credits)	Introduction to Communication Sciences *	2	x						x	x		x		
	Business Law	3		x						x		x	x	x
	Macroeconomics 1	3	x			x				x		x	x	x
	Principles of Accounting	3	x			x						x		x
	Basic Administration	3	x			x				x			x	x
	Theory of Probability	2	x					x		x				x

	World Political Geography *	2	x					x		x				x
	International Relations *	2	x					x		x				x
	Culturalogy*	2	x					x		x				x
	Sociology *	2	x					x		x				x
	The revolutionary of the Communist Party of Vietnam	3	x					x					x	x
	Economic History of Vietnam and other countries	3	x							x		x		x
	Basic Marketing	3	x			x				x			x	x
	Principles of Financial Markets	3		x			x			x				x
	Applied Statistics	3		x				x		x				x
	Scientific research methods*	2						x						
	Teamwork Skills *	2						x						
	Applied Informatics *	3						x						
	Logicology *	2						x						
Semester IV	History of Economic Theories	3				x				x		x		x
	Ho Chi Minh 's thought	2	x					x					x	x

(19 cred its)	International Economics	2		x								x		x
	Business Information Systems	2	x							x			x	x
	Econometrics	3		x				x						x
	Agricultural Economics and Rural Development	3			x	x	x			x		x		x
	Public Finance *	3		x						x			x	x
	Credit-banking *	3		x						x			x	x
Sem este r V (19 cred its)	Quantitative Methods and Economic Forecasting	3			x		x	x			x		x	x
	Foreign economics	3			x		x		x			x		x
	Data Analysis in Economics	4		x				x		x			x	x
	Economic planning and policy	3			x		x	x			x		x	x
	Microeconomics 2	3	x		x	x			x		x	x		x
	Cost-Benefit Analysis *	3		x						x			x	
	Public Relations*	3		x						x			x	
Sem este r VI (15	Macroeconomics 2	4			x	x	x		x				x	x
	Public Economics	4	x			x			x			x		x
	Development Economics	4			x		x	x			x		x	x
	International Business*	3							x				x	

cred its)	Business Strategies*	3							X				X	
Sem este r VII (12 cred its)	Labor Economics	3			X				X			X		X
	Establishment and Appraisal Investment Project	3			X	X			X			X	X	X
	Environmental Economics	3	X		X		X		X		X		X	X
	Economics in Social Issues *	3							X				X	
	Corporate Finance *	3							X				X	
Sem este r VIII (10 cred it)	Internship	4	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
	Thematic 1	3			X				X			X		
	Thematic 1	3			X				X		X	X		X
	Thesis for Graduation *	6	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

Note: (*) Elective Module

3.6 Contact time

Subject interaction/exposure time will be defined in the individual subject specifications and provided to students at the start of the program. Student interaction/exposure time, together with time allotted for independent study and testing, determines the total number of student hours for a subject or program. Each student should have at least 30 hours of self-study per credit.

IV. ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Subjects of enrollment: According to the current Regulation on enrollment of regular universities and colleges of the Ministry of Education and Training.
- Enrollment block: According to the enrollment regulations of the University of Economics and Law.

V. COURSE SPECIFICATIONS

Refer to the evidence: b.3. Brief outline of all courses in the programme 2017 - E

VI. DATE ON WHICH THE PROGRAMME SPECIFICATION WAS WRITTEN, IMPLEMENTED OR REVISED

1. Time: 2017
2. Effective duration: cohorts 2017-2021, 2018-2022
3. To be revised and updated in: 2019