HONOURS BSOCSC IN ECONOMICS AND PUBLIC POLICY

Public policy decisions shape daily life and well-being. Many essential services, such as health care and education, are provided by the public sector. Using their regulatory powers, governments establish the framework for competition between firms and they protect the environment. In return for public services, individuals and firms must pay taxes. This interdisciplinary program, which draws on the tools of economic analysis, gives students a better understanding of the challenges linked to public-sector economics (federal, provincial, municipal). Domains of application include the labour market, health care, education, environment and taxation.

This program is offered in English and in French.

Program Requirements

Co-operative education is available with this program.

The French immersion is available with this program.

ENG 1100  Workshop in Essay Writing  3 Units
3 course units from:  3 Units
ENG 1120  Literature and Composition I: Prose Fiction
ENG 1121  Literature and Composition II: Drama and Poetry
ECO 1102  Introduction to Macroeconomics  3 Units
ECO 1104  Introduction to Microeconomics  3 Units
3 course units from:  3 Units
MAT 1300  Mathematical Methods I 1
MAT 1308  Introduction to Calculus
MAT 1302  Mathematical Methods II  3 Units
ECO 2142  Macroeconomic Theory I  3 Units
ECO 2143  Macroeconomic Theory II  3 Units
ECO 2144  Microeconomic Theory I  3 Units
ECO 2145  Microeconomic Theory II  3 Units
PAP 2300  Introduction to Public Policy Analysis  3 Units
POL 2101  Introduction to Canadian Politics  3 Units
ECO 3150  Probability and Statistics for Economists 2  3 Units
ECO 3151  Introduction to Econometrics 2  3 Units
PAP 3350  Sectoral Issues in Public Policy  3 Units
3 course units from:  3 Units
SOC 3101  Sociology of Ethics
SOC 3308  Sociology of Work and Organizations
6 course units from:  6 Units
ECO 2110  Microeconomic Analysis of the Public Sector
ECO 2147  Analysis of Economic and Social Data
ECO 3149  Application of Cost-Benefit Analysis to Public Projects
ECO 4121  Public Economics
6 course units from:  6 Units
ECO 2111  Economics of Women’s Issues

ECO 2114  Introduction to Labour and Population Economics
ECO 2118  Introduction to Environmental and Natural Resources Economics
ECO 2123  Introduction to Health Economics
12 course units from:  12 Units
ECO 3139  Industrial Organization I
ECO 3148  Introduction to Regional and Urban Economics
ECO 4116  Labour Economics
ECO 4121  Public Economics
ECO 4136  Research Seminar in Economics of the Environment
ECO 4139  Industrial Organization II
ECO 4190  Health Economics
6 optional course units in public administration (PAP) at the 3000 or 4000 level from the list of optional courses 6 Units
42 elective course units 3  42 Units
or 12 elective course units plus a minor

Total:  120 Units

Note(s)

1 Students who intend to pursue graduate studies in economics should select MAT 1300 or the sequence MAT 1320 and MAT 1325 (this last course can be replaced by MAT 1322). A strong background in mathematics helps students succeed in advanced courses and graduate studies in economics.

2 Students who intend to participate in the CO-OP program should take ECO 3150 and ECO 3151 in their second year.

3 ECO 3145, ECO 3152 and ECO 3153 are strongly recommended for studies in the Master’s in Economics.

List of Optional Courses

PAP 3310  Research Methods in Public Administration  3 Units
PAP 3325  Gender and Public Policy  3 Units
PAP 3340  Human Resources in Public Organizations  3 Units
PAP 3345  Governance and the Nonprofit Sector  3 Units
PAP 3355  Budgetary Policy and Public Finance  3 Units
PAP 3360  Managing Difference  3 Units
PAP 3365  Law and Public Administration  3 Units
PAP 3370  Theory of Public Organisations  3 Units
PAP 4310  Principles, Processes and Methods of Evaluation  3 Units
PAP 4315  Public Policy Analysis  3 Units
PAP 4320  Negotiation, Collaboration and Private-Public Partnerships  3 Units
PAP 4330  Administrative Reforms  3 Units
PAP 4340  Selected Topic in Public Policy  3 Units
PAP 4350  Project Management in the Public Sector  3 Units
PAP 4355  Ethics and Public Affairs  3 Units