

BA (HONS) (ECONOMICS) (WORK PLACEMENT) PATHWAY

Overview

NFQ Level 8, Major Award

The BA (Hons) in Economics (Work Placement) Pathway is a four-year, full-time honours degree programme which enables students on the BA (Hons) (Economics) (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/baecn/>) degree programme to go on a 6-month UCC-approved work placement.

First Year - Economics

In First Year students take Economics (45 credits) together with one other subject (15 credits) as part of the BA (Hons) (Economics) (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/baecn/>).

Second Year - Economics (Work Placement) Pathway

Students who wish to take the BA (Hons) (Economics) (Work Placement) Pathway register for the pathway at the beginning of Second Year. No student may register for Second Year until they have passed the First University Examination in Economics.

In Second Year students take a Single Subject Degree consisting of modules to the value of 60 credits in Economics. Students follow the same curriculum as students taking Second Year of the BA (Hons) (Economics) (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/baecn/>).

Third Year - Economics (Work Placement) Pathway

Third Year of the BA (Hons) (Economics) (Work Placement) Pathway consists of modules to the value of 60 credits. Students will take taught modules from September to December, inclusive. Coursework will also be completed during this period.

Work Placement

The placement component of the programme, EC3164 (30 credits), will run from January to June, inclusive. The work placement will be jointly monitored by a UCC academic mentor and a business mentor in the external organisation. There is no provision for repeating the Work Placement module in Autumn or in a Repeat Year. Exceptions to this rule may be granted by the School of Business only for very serious reasons. Students who fail the Work Placement will not be eligible for the award of an honours degree.

Economics Research Project

Students who do not obtain a work placement will be required to undertake EC3165 (30 credits), a research based assignment which will be supervised by a UCC Economics staff member and will submit a research report thereon. There is no provision for repeating the Economics Research Project in Autumn or in a Repeat Year. Exceptions to this rule may be granted by the School of Business only for very serious reasons. Students who fail the Research Project will not be eligible for the award of an honours degree.

Fourth Year - Economics (Work Placement) Pathway

No student may register for Fourth Year of the BA (Hons) (Economics) (Work Placement) Pathway until they have passed the Third University

Examination in Economics (Work Placement) Pathway. Students may not select modules which involve a timetable clash.

In Fourth Year, students take a Single Subject Degree consisting of modules to the value of 60 credits in Economics. Students follow the same curriculum as students taking Third Year of the BA (Hons) (Economics) (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/baecn/>).

Programme Requirements

For information about modules, module choice, options and credit weightings, please go to Programme Requirements (p. 1).

Programme Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
Year 1		
Students take 60 credits as follows - all core Economics modules (45 credits) and 15 credits of elective modules:		
<i>Core Modules</i>		
EC1107	Reading Economists	5
EC1108	Communicating Economic Reasoning	5
EC1109	Transition to Professional Life I	10
EC1111	Economic Data Collection	5
EC1112	Economic Data As Evidence	5
EC1113	Microeconomics: Co-operation in the Economic System	5
EC1114	Macroeconomics: Public Policy in Ireland and the International Economy	5
EC1115	Microeconomics: Coordination and Individual Decision Making	5
<i>Elective Modules</i>		
Students take modules to the value of 15 credits from Year 1 of one of the following subjects (choose from any group): ¹		15
Group 1		
Asian Studies (https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/baas/)		
Computer Science (https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/bacs/)		
History (https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/bahi/)		
Portuguese (https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/bapot/)		
Group 2(a)		
History of Art (https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/baha/)		
Group 2(b)		
Applied Mathematics (https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/bamas/)		
European Studies (https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/baes/)		
Folklore (https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/bafl/)		
Greek and Roman Civilisation (https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/bagr/)		
Gaeilge/Irish (https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/bagae/)		
Group 3		
Archaeology (https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/baar/)		

Chinese Studies (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/bach/>)

German (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/bage/>)

Latin (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/balt/>)

Mathematics (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/bama/>)

Mathematical Studies (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/bamas/>)

Politics (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/bapol/>)

Group 4

French (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/bafr/>)

Sociology (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/basoc/>)

Studies in Music (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/basim/>)

Group 6(a)

Geography (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/bagg/>)

Italian (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/bait/>)

Group 6(b)

Celtic Civilisation (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/bacc/>)

Philosophy (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/baph/>)

Spanish (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/basp/>)

Year 2

Students take **60** credits as follows:

Core Modules

EC2006	Transition to Professional Life II	10
EC2009	Macroeconomics: Recessions and Booms in Ireland and International Economy	5
EC2010	Macroeconomics: Money and Monetary Policy	5
EC2011	Macroeconomics: Government Spending and Tax in Ireland and International Economy	5
EC2012	Quantitative Methods: Economic Modelling of Decision Makers	5
EC2013	Quantitative Methods: Empirical Research Methods	5
EC2014	Reasoning and Problem Solving in Economics	5
EC2015	Research in Economics	5
EC2016	Microeconomics: Economic Information and Uncertainty	5
EC2017	Microeconomics: Firms in a World of Uncertainty	5
EC2018	Microeconomics: Behavioural Economics	5

Year 3

Students take **60** credits as follows:

Core Modules

EC2019	Debates in Applied Economics	5
EC3008	Financial Strategy	5
EC3156	Environmental Economics: The Problem of Climate Change	5
EC3163	Professional Skills for Placement	10
EC3208	Economics and Markets after the Crisis	5

Select one of the following:

EC3164	Work Placement	30
or EC3165	Economics Research Project	

Year 4

Students take **60** credits as follows - all listed core modules (**55** credits) and **5** credits of elective modules:

Core Modules

EC3134	Transition for Professional Life III	10
EC3137	Creativity as a Developmental Resource	5
EC3138	The Role of Place for Innovation	5
EC3139	International Cooperation	5
EC3140	Economic Growth and Development in a Global Context	5
EC3141	Financial Institutions and Markets	5
EC3142	Quantitative Methods: Survey Design and Implementation	5
EC3143	Quantitative Methods: Empirical Econometrics	5
EC3144	Honours Dissertation	10

Elective Modules

Students take a module to the value of 5 credits from the following:		5
EC3127	Economics and the Labour Market	
EC3135	Health Economics: The Role of Public Policy	
EC3166	Business Practice for Sustainable Economies	
EC3219	The Economics of Sport	

Total Credits **240**

¹ Some subjects have requirements and/or points to note, these are listed here (<https://ucc-ie-public.courseleaf.com/programmes/ba/>).

Examinations

Full details and regulations governing Examinations for each programme will be contained in the *Marks and Standards Book* and for each module in the *Book of Modules*.

Programme Learning Outcomes

Programme Learning Outcomes for BA (Hons) (Economics) (Work Placement) Pathway (NFQ Level 8, Major Award)

On successful completion of this programme, students should be able to:

- Communicate and work effectively to a Professional Standard;
- Demonstrate analytical and problem-solving skills associated with effective practice;
- Engage in the application of frameworks and techniques in organisational practice;
- Demonstrate independent research capabilities;
- Demonstrate self-awareness of their strengths, capabilities and weaknesses;
- Be personal leaders in their own education.