Welcome to International Affairs - Economics

The new program offers eight thematic concentrations; this fact sheet is about the IA-Economics concentration (School of Economics as primary field)

There is a five-course core requirement for all IA majors, with a grade of C or better:
INA 101: Introduction to International Relations
ANT 102: Introduction to Anthropology: Diversity of Cultures
ECO 121: Principles of Macroeconomics
HTY 241: History of Globalization
POS 120: Introduction to World Politics

The new program has a revised language requirement. International Affairs majors who are not international students must take and pass the Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) of the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) with a rating of Intermediate (Low, Mid, or High) or better. Students are responsible for paying for these tests. You can find descriptions at www.actfl.org. Minimum preparation for these tests is generally six credits at the 300-level or above in French or Spanish, or in the recommended equivalent in the VOX sequence of Critical Languages on campus. Learning abroad experience, including study abroad, also offers opportunities for language training.

The concentration requires majors to take nine ECO courses (primary field) and two courses from the same secondary field. Please refer to the Undergraduate Catalog for more details. Students need a grade of C or better in all courses counting towards their major.

Economics primary courses:
ECO 120: Microeconomics
ECO 350 (or 420): Intermediate Microeconomics (with calculus)
ECO 321: Intermediate Macroeconomics
ECO 339: International Finance
ECO 340: The Canadian Economy
ECO 353: Money and Banking
ECO 366: Applied Economic Data Analysis
ECO 381: Sustainable Development Principles
ECO 450: International Environmental Economics and Policy
ECO 470: Special Topics: Focus on International Economics
ECO 496: Field Experience: Focus on International Economics
ECO 497: Independent Study: Focus on International Economics

Secondary courses: Two non-ECO courses related to international issues or topics from the same secondary field

In addition, IA majors, like all students, must complete a Capstone course in their concentration. This may be done in a senior seminar, an independent study, or an Honors thesis.