

These programme regulations should be read in conjunction with the University's [core regulations for undergraduate programmes](#), and the [marking and classification conventions for undergraduate programmes](#).

BSc Economics (L130)

BSc Economics with Placement Year (L131)

BSc Economics with Study Abroad (L132)

1. This programme is available at Durham City, in a full-time mode of study.

Level 1 (Certificate)

2. Candidates shall study and be assessed in the following modules:

		Credit value
Principles of Economics #	ECON1011	20
Economic Methods #	ECON1021	20
Global Economic History	ECON1071	20

3. Candidates shall also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 60 credits from List A:

List A:		Credit value
The Economics of Sustainability	ECON1051	20
Introduction to the History of Economic Thought	ECON1081	20
Mastering Data and Computation	ECON1181	20
Global Financial Systems and Markets >	FINN1051	20
A credit-bearing language module offered by the University's Centre for Foreign Language Study.	-	20

Level 2 (Diploma)

4. Candidates shall study and be assessed in the following modules:

		Credit value
Macroeconomics #	ECON2011	20
Microeconomics #	ECON2021	20
Econometrics #	ECON2061	20

5. Candidates shall also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 60 credits from List B and List C. A maximum of 20 credits may be selected from List C:

List B:		Credit value
Behavioural and Experimental Economics	ECON2141	20
Intermediate Economic Methods	ECON2121	20
Microeconomic Applications and Policy	ECON2261	20
Macroeconomic Applications and Policy	ECON2271	20
Political Economy	ECON2301	20

List C:		Credit value
Corporate Governance >	FINN2101	20
Banking < Δ	FINN2097	10
Entrepreneurial Finance < Δ	FINN2127	10
A credit-bearing language module offered by the University's Centre for Foreign Language Study.	-	20

Level 3 (Degree)

6. Candidates shall study and be assessed in the following module:

Dissertation ~	ECON3012	Credit value 40
7. Candidates shall also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 80 credits from Lists D and E . A maximum of 20 credits can be selected from List E:		
List D:		Credit value
Advanced Macroeconomic Theory	ECON3211	20
Advanced Microeconomic Theory	ECON3201	20
Applied Econometrics	ECON3011	20
Development Economics	ECON3171	20
Environmental Economics and Policy	ECON3161	20
History of Economic Thought	ECON3051	20
International Economics *	ECON3071	20
Labour Economics	ECON3081	20
Monetary Economics	ECON3111	20
Game Theory and Applications	ECON3301	20
8. Candidates may study a maximum of 20 credits from List E :		
List E:		Credit value
Behavioural Finance	FINN3081	20
Real Estate Finance	FINN3061	20

Assessment, progression and award

9. Note: modules with fewer than 20 students enrolled may not run.
10. Modules marked with a < will be delivered in Term 1, while modules marked with a > will be delivered in Term 2.
11. Modules marked with a # must be passed at 40% or above in order to progress to the next level of study.
12. Modules marked with a ~ must be passed at 40% or above for the award of an honours degree. A mark of 30 – 39% cannot be compensated.
13. Modules marked with a Δ are paired and must be taken together.
14. Modules marked with a * are not available in 2026/27.

Professional accreditation

15. Durham University Business School is accredited by the European Quality Improvement System (EQUIS) for a period of five years from 2022 and by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) for a period of five years from 2024.

Year 3 (Placement Year / Study Abroad)

16. Students admitted to the BSc Economics (L130) are able to apply to transfer to the BSc Economics (with Placement Year) programme (L131) or the BSc Economics (with Study Abroad) programme (L132).
17. Candidates wishing to transfer to the BSc Economics (with Placement Year) (L131) or the BSc Economics (with Study Abroad) (L132) must:
 - a. have successfully completed Level 1 of the BSc Economics (L130) and progressed to Level 2 of the honours programme, and;
 - b. during the first term of Level 2 study, apply to the BSc Economics' Programme Director to be admitted to the BSc Economics (with Placement Year) (L131) or the BSc Economics (with Study Abroad) (L132) and have their application approved by the BSc Economics' Programme Director; and
 - c. successfully complete Level 2 of the BSc Economics (L130) so as to be eligible to progress to Level 3 of the BSc Economics (L130) Honours programme.

Placement Year

18. Students will undertake an approved work placement of not less than 40 weeks. They must have successfully completed 240 credits at Levels 1 and 2 to progress to the placement. Student progress will be assessed at threshold level by continuous assessments of the student's performance during the placement and a final report. Assessment does not contribute to the marks used to determine the award of degree but successful completion is required to qualify for the BSc Economics with Placement Year.
19. Students who the Board of Examiners for the Business School deem to have made satisfactory progress on the Placement Year will continue to Level 3 of the BSc Economics (with Placement Year) (L131). Students who have not made satisfactory progress on the year abroad will not be permitted to continue on BSc Economics (with Placement Year) (L131), but must instead proceed to Level 3 of the BSc Economics (L130) programme.

Study Abroad

20. Students will undertake an approved study placement in an overseas university. Student progress will be assessed at module level by the host University. Assessment does not contribute to the marks used to determine the award of degree but successful completion is required to qualify for the BSc Economics with Study Abroad. Students should pass a minimum of 40 ECTS credits, or equivalent, to successfully complete the year, as set out in their Learning Agreement.
21. Students who the Board of Examiners for the Business School deem to have made satisfactory progress on the year abroad will continue to Level 3 of the BSc Economics (with Study Abroad) (L132). Students who have not made satisfactory progress on the year abroad will not be permitted to continue on BSc Economics (with Study Abroad) (L132), but must instead proceed to Level 3 of the BSc Economics (L130) programme.