ECONOMICS (For Transfer)

DEGREES, CERTIFICATES AND AWARDS
Associate in Arts Degree in Economics for Transfer (AA-T)

DESCRIPTION
Economics is the study of how individuals and societies choose to use limited resources for production of goods and services and how they distribute them for current and future consumption. Economics is divided into two major areas: macroeconomics and microeconomics. Macroeconomics studies decision-making at the national level. Macroeconomics topics include gross domestic product, unemployment, inflation, and money and banking. Microeconomics studies decision-making at the individual household, business firm, and industry levels. Microeconomics topics include supply and demand, theories of the firm and consumer behaviors.

The Associate in Arts for Transfer (AA-T) is intended for students who plan to complete a bachelor’s degree in a similar major at a CSU campus. Students completing this degree (AA-T) are guaranteed admission to the CSU system, but not to a particular campus or major.

PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES
1. Demonstrate an understanding of current economic models and use economic reasoning skills to evaluate real world problems.

ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAM (For Transfer)
The Associate in Arts for Transfer (AA-T) or the Associate in Science for Transfer (AS-T) degree is intended for students who plan to complete a bachelor’s degree in a similar major at a CSU campus. Students completing these degrees (AA-T or AS-T) are guaranteed admission to the CSU system, but not to a particular campus or major. In order to earn one of these degrees, students must complete 60 semester units of CSU transferable coursework with a minimum GPA of 2.0. Students transferring to a CSU campus that does accept the AA-T or AS-T will be required to complete no more than 60 units after transfer to earn a bachelor’s degree (unless the major is a designated “high-unit” major). This degree may not be the best option for students intending to transfer to a particular CSU campus or to university or college that is not part of the CSU system. Students should consult with a counselor when planning to complete this degree for more information on university admission and transfer requirements.

TRANSFER PREPARATION
Courses that fulfill major requirements for an associate degree at Imperial Valley College may not be the same as those required for completing the major at a transfer institution offering a bachelor’s degree. Students who plan to transfer to a four-year college or university should schedule an appointment with an IVC Counselor to develop a student education plan (SEP) before beginning their program.

Transfer Resources:
www.ASSIST.org – CSU and UC Articulation Agreements and Majors Search Engine
www.CSUMentor.edu – CSU System Information
www.universityofcalifornia.edu/admissions/index.html – UC System Information
www.aiccu.edu – California Independent Colleges and Universities, Association of
http://wiche.edu/wue – Western Undergraduate Exchange Programs

FINANCIAL AID
Paying for the cost of a college education requires a partnership among parents, students and the college. As the cost of higher education continues to rise we want you to know that IVC offers a full array of financial aid programs – grants, work study, scholarships, and fee waivers (we do not participate in the federal loan programs). These programs are available to both full and part time students who are seeking a degree or certificate. For those who qualify, financial aid is available to help with tuition, fees, books and supplies, food, housing, transportation, and childcare. Please log onto our website for additional information: www.imperial.edu/students/financial-aid-and-scholarships/

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
Of the career opportunities identified many will usually require the completion of degree requirements at 4-year colleges and universities.

• Investment banker
• Financial Analyst
• Insurance Broker
• Consultant
• Economic Analyst
• Litigation Analysis
• Forensic Economics
• Statistician

Gainful Employment: Federal regulations require institutions to provide students with Gainful Employment information for specific certificate programs offered at IVC. Please click on our Programs of Study link to view the information for each certificate program: http://www.imperial.edu/courses-and-programs/programs-of-study/
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## ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAM

**ECONOMICS**  
Associate in Arts Degree in Economics for Transfer (AA-T) – 20.0-22.0 units

All courses for this major must be completed with a minimum grade of “C” or better.

**Requirements for the Degree**

I. **Units/GPA** – Must complete 60 CSU transferable semester units with a minimum grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.0 in all CSU transferable coursework. **NOTE**: While a minimum of 2.0 is required for admission, some institutions and majors may require a higher GPA. Please consult with a counselor for more information.

II. **General Education** – Must complete one of the following general education transfer patterns:  
   A. California State University General Education Breadth Pattern (CSU GE-B) – 39 units minimum  
   B. Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) – 37 units minimum

III. **Twenty to twenty-two (20-22) units required for the major.**  
    Required for the Major (14.0 units)

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<td>Introduction to Micro Economics</td>
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<td>ECON 102</td>
<td>Introduction to Macro Economics</td>
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<td>MATH 119</td>
<td>Elementary Statistics</td>
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<td>MATH 170</td>
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<td>OR MATH 192</td>
<td>Analytic Geometry and Calculus I</td>
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List A: **Select one course (3.0-4.0 units)**

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List B: **Select two courses (3.0-4.0 units)**

Any list A course not already used.

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<td>MATH 230</td>
<td>Introduction to Linear Algebra with Applications (3.0)</td>
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Total Major Units: 20.0-22.0  
CSU GE-B or IGETC Pattern: 37.0-39.0  
Electives (as needed to reach 60 CSU transferable units)  
Total Maximum Units: 60.0