

## Economics Requirements — US News 2026 Top 20 Undergraduate Business Schools

Source: US News & World Report 2026 Best Undergraduate Business Programs (released September 23, 2025). All schools are AACSB-accredited. Sorted by US News rank. Where ties exist, all tied schools within the top 20 are included.

Credit hours are semester hours unless noted. "Course units" (CU) at Penn = 1 CU = 1 course = varies by class type (most = 1 CU). CMU uses "units" where 1 course = 9–12 units; 9 units = 1 standard 3-credit-hour course.

### Ranks 1–10

Rank	School	Business & Adjacent Majors	# Required Econ Courses (Major + Core)	Total Econ Credit Hours	Notes	Catalogue URL
#1 (tied)	University of Pennsylvania — Wharton School (Philadelphia, PA)	BS in Economics (single undergraduate degree, 21 concentrations incl. Finance, Accounting, Marketing, Management, Real Estate, Healthcare Mgmt, Business Analytics, Entrepreneurship, Legal Studies, Operations, PPE, etc.); dual-degree options with all Penn schools	1 required: BEPP 1000 Introductory Economics for Business Students (1 CU) in major foundation; OR students may substitute ECON 0100 Micro + ECON 0200 Macro (2 CUs) — if substituted, one satisfies BEPP 1000 and one counts as liberal arts elective	1 CU (~3–4 sem. hrs. equivalent) for BEPP 1000 path; 2 CUs (~6–8 sem. hrs.) if ECON 0100+0200 substitution used	Semester. Penn uses Course Units (CU); 1 CU = 1 course. Wharton awards BS in Economics — not "Business Administration." All students take the integrated Business Tools Core (BEPP 1000 + FNCE 1010 Monetary Economics are the economics-adjacent foundational courses). The Wharton degree requires 37 total CUs across business and liberal arts. FNCE 1010 Monetary Economics (1 CU) is also required in the core but is classified as finance, not economics. Penn AACSB-accredited.	<a href="https://catalog.upenn.edu/undergraduate/wharton/curr...">https://catalog.upenn.edu/undergraduate/wharton/curr...</a>
#1 (tied)	Massachusetts Institute of Technology — Sloan School of Management (Cambridge, MA)	BS in Management (Course 15-1, with concentrations); BS in Business Analytics (Course 15-2); BS in Finance (Course 15-3); Economics major (Course 14) available separately through Dietrich/SHASS	1 required in major: 14.01 Principles of Microeconomics (9 units) OR 15.0111 Economic Analysis for Business Decisions — counted once toward GIR HASS Social Science requirement	9 MIT units = ~3 sem. hrs. equivalent for the economics requirement in the BS Management major	Semester. MIT uses "units" not credits; 9 units = 3 semester hours. 14.01 Principles of Microeconomics is required in the BS Management (Course 15-1) departmental program AND satisfies one of the 8 HASS GIR slots (double-counts). No macroeconomics course is separately required in the BS Management major. Economics core courses (73-102 Micro, 73-103 Macro, 73-230, 73-240) are required for the Economics major. AACSB-accredited.	<a href="https://catalog.mit.edu/degree-charts/management-cou...">https://catalog.mit.edu/degree-charts/management-cou...</a>
#3	University of California, Berkeley — Haas School of Business (Berkeley, CA)	BS in Business Administration (Haas; apply after first year); Economics BA (separate, through CDSS/L&S); joint LSBSE program (Business + Molecular Cell Biology)	2 required as Haas prerequisites: ECON 1 or ECON 2 (combined Micro+Macro survey, 4 units) + UGBA 101A Microeconomic Analysis for Business Decisions (4 units) — UGBA 101A required for the major proper; ECON 1/2 is a prerequisite to admission	8 semester units (ECON 1 = 4 units + UGBA 101A = 4 units); UGBA 101B Macroeconomics (4 units) is embedded in the core as well, bringing business-economics content to 12 units for students who take all three	Semester. Berkeley uses "units" = semester credit hours. ECON 1 or ECON 2 (4 units each) are intro surveys that cover both micro and macro; only one is required as a prerequisite. UGBA 101A Microeconomic Analysis and UGBA 101B Macroeconomic Analysis are both required in the Haas business core — but UGBA 101B is listed separately from the ECON prefix. Counting strictly ECON-prefixed required courses: 1 course (ECON 1 or 2, 4 units). Counting all economics content in core: 3 courses, 12 units. AACSB-accredited.	<a href="https://guide.berkeley.edu/undergraduate/degree-prog...">https://guide.berkeley.edu/undergraduate/degree-prog...</a>

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#4	University of Michigan — Ross School of Business (Ann Arbor, MI)	BBA in Business Administration (concentrations in Accounting, Finance, Marketing, Management, Strategy, Entrepreneurship, Business Analytics, Real Estate, etc.); Economics BA/BS (separate, through LSA)	2 required: ECON 101 Principles of Economics (Microeconomics, 4 cr) — required in first year; ECON 102 Principles of Economics II (Macroeconomics, 4 cr) — must be completed before Junior Fall	8 semester credit hours (4 + 4)	Semester. Both ECON 101 and ECON 102 are required of all BBA students; ECON 101 is a first-year hard requirement for academic standing. ECON 101 can be satisfied by IB or A-level credit but NOT by AP credit. ECON 102 is strongly encouraged in sophomore year but must be completed before I-Core (Junior year). Ross AACSB-accredited.	<a href="https://rossweb.bus.umich.edu/academics/curriculum/c...">https://rossweb.bus.umich.edu/academics/curriculum/c...</a>
#5	New York University — Stern School of Business (New York, NY)	BS in Business (with concentrations: Finance, Accounting, Marketing, Management & Organizations, Business Economics/EQE, Statistics, Entrepreneurship, Global Business, Sustainable Business, etc.); BS in Business and Political Economy (BPE); Economics BA (separate, CAS)	2 required in BS Business core: ECON-UB 1 Microeconomics with Algebra OR ECON-UB 2 Microeconomics with Calculus (4 credits each); ECON-UB 11 Economics of Global Business (4 credits)	8 semester credit hours (ECON-UB 1 or 2 [4 cr] + ECON-UB 11 [4 cr])	Semester. Notably: only microeconomics and a global economics course are required in the BS Business core — no standalone macroeconomics course is required. ECON-UB 11 covers international trade and macroeconomic overview. The Business and Political Economy (BPE) degree has a separate Economics Core including Macro (BPEP-UB 2). All courses are 4 credits each. Stern AACSB-accredited.	<a href="https://bulletins.nyu.edu/undergraduate/business/pro...">https://bulletins.nyu.edu/undergraduate/business/pro...</a>
#6 (tied)	Carnegie Mellon University — Tepper School of Business (Pittsburgh, PA)	BS in Business Administration (concentrations: Accounting, Finance, Marketing Management, Operations, Strategy, Organizational Behavior, etc.); BS in Economics (BA also); BS in Business Analytics; Economics+Mathematics, Economics+Statistics, Economics+Politics joint majors	2 required in BS Business Administration: 73-102 Principles of Microeconomics OR 73-104 Principles of Microeconomics Accelerated (9 units); 73-103 Principles of Macroeconomics (9 units). Additionally, 73-230 Intermediate Microeconomics (9 units) is required in the business core	3 courses required = 27 CMU units = ~9 sem. hrs. equivalent	Semester. CMU uses "units" where 9 units ≈ 3 semester hours. BS Business Administration requires 73-102 (or 73-104) Micro, 73-103 Macro, AND 73-230 Intermediate Microeconomics — making it one of the most economics-intensive standard business degrees in the top 10. University Core (gen-ed) excludes Economics (73-xxx) from fulfilling it. Tepper AACSB-accredited.	<a href="http://coursecatalog.web.cmu.edu/schools-colleges/te...">http://coursecatalog.web.cmu.edu/schools-colleges/te...</a>
#6 (tied)	University of Texas at Austin — McCombs School of Business (Austin, TX)	BBA in Accounting, Business Honors (BHP), Finance, Financial Consulting, Information Systems & Technology Management, Management, Marketing, Supply Chain Management; Economics BA/BS (separate, Liberal Arts); Business minor	2 required: ECO 304K Introduction to Microeconomics (3 cr, also satisfies UT Core Curriculum Social & Behavioral Sciences requirement) + ECO 304L Introduction to Macroeconomics (3 cr) — both required in freshman year for all BBA students	6 semester hours (3 + 3), but ECO 304K double-counts toward the UT Core Curriculum (social science requirement), counting once in the course tally	Semester. ECO 304K + ECO 304L are required of all McCombs BBA students in the first year, regardless of major concentration. ECO 304K simultaneously satisfies the UT Core Curriculum Social & Behavioral Sciences requirement (3 hrs). Both courses are 3 credit hours. McCombs AACSB-accredited.	<a href="https://catalog.utexas.edu/undergraduate/business/de...">https://catalog.utexas.edu/undergraduate/business/de...</a>

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#8 (tied)	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill — Kenan-Flagler Business School (Chapel Hill, NC)	BSBA in Business Administration (Areas of Emphasis: Finance, Accounting, Marketing, Operations, Consulting, Real Estate, Sustainable Enterprise, Social Impact); Economics BA (separate, through A&S;)	2 required as prerequisites to the BSBA: ECON 101 Introduction to Economics (3 cr) + ECON 410 Microeconomic Theory (3 cr) — both must be completed before entering the full business core	6 semester credit hours (3 + 3)	Semester. ECON 101 is a prerequisite to admission to the business program; ECON 410 Intermediate Microeconomic Theory is a required core prerequisite taken before or in the early BSBA program. Students may not receive credit for both BUSI 402 and ECON 410. No separate macroeconomics course is required in the standard BSBA program (though ECON 101 covers both micro and macro principles). Students enter the junior-year business core in their second year. Kenan-Flagler AACSB-accredited.	<a href="https://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study...">https://catalog.unc.edu/undergraduate/programs-study...</a>
#8 (tied)	University of Southern California — Marshall School of Business (Los Angeles, CA)	BS in Business Administration (optional emphases: Finance, Business Analytics, Marketing, Entrepreneurship & Innovation, Communication, Leadership & Innovation, Real Estate Finance, Risk Management, International Relations); Accounting BS (Leventhal); World Bachelor in Business (tri-university)	2 required as foundation: ECON 351x Microeconomics for Business (4 units) + ECON 352x Macroeconomics for Business (4 units) — both must be taken in residence at USC; both listed as required business foundation courses	8 semester units (4 + 4)	Semester. USC uses "units" = semester credit hours. ECON 351x and ECON 352x must be completed at USC — they cannot be transferred in. Both are 4-unit courses (above the standard 3-credit norm at most schools). ECON 351x is a high-stakes course; competitive applicants average A- or better. Catalog note: cannot satisfy core business classes while abroad. Marshall AACSB-accredited.	<a href="https://catalogue.usc.edu/preview_program.php?catoid...">https://catalogue.usc.edu/preview_program.php?catoid...</a>
#8 (tied)	Indiana University — Kelley School of Business (Bloomington, IN)	BS in Business (majors: Accounting, Finance, Marketing, Management, Operations, Information Systems, Supply Chain, Entrepreneurship, Real Estate, etc.); Business Economics major; Economics BA/BS (separate, College of Arts & Sciences)	2 required: ECON-B 251 / S251 Fundamentals of Economics for Business I (3 cr, required as first-year I-Core prerequisite) + ECON-E 202 / S202 Macroeconomics OR ECON-B 252 Fundamentals of Economics for Business II (3 cr, required before graduation)	6 semester credit hours (3 + 3)	Semester. ECON-B 251 (Micro-focused with business applications) is a mandatory first-year prerequisite for the entire Kelley degree program. ECON-B 252 or ECON-E 202 (Macro) must also be completed before graduation and before studying abroad. Both courses are 3 credit hours. Kelley AACSB-accredited. Note: ECON-B 251 replaced the old ECON-E 201 for Kelley-track students starting 2024.	<a href="https://bulletin.kelley.iu.edu/Undergrad/Degree/Deta...">https://bulletin.kelley.iu.edu/Undergrad/Degree/Deta...</a>

## Cross-School Observations (Batch 1)

**Credit-hour variance at the top:** The top 10 schools are surprisingly inconsistent in how much economics they require. USC Marshall leads among the top 10 with 8 semester units (two 4-unit courses). Michigan Ross and CMU Tepper both require 8 credit-hour equivalents of economics (Ross: two 4-credit courses; CMU: three 9-unit courses = ~9 sem. hrs. equiv.). Wharton requires the least formal economics instruction of any school in the top 10 — just 1 course unit in the core — but teaches a heavily economics-flavored curriculum throughout (the degree itself is a BS in Economics, and the entire concentration system is built on economic analysis).

**Semester vs. unit systems:** MIT (units), USC (units), and Penn (course units) all use non-standard credit systems. After conversion, the economics requirements at MIT and USC are comparable to the 3-credit standard; USC's 4-unit courses are slightly heavier than the national norm.

**Macro vs. micro asymmetry:** NYU Stern is the only top-10 school that does not require a standalone macroeconomics course in its BS Business core — ECON-UB 11 Economics of Global Business covers international macro topics but is not a principles-of-macroeconomics course. Berkeley Haas is similar, with UGBA 101A (micro) being the primary required economics course and macro appearing in UGBA 101B (a separate required course, though under the UGBA rather than ECON prefix).

**Double-counting at UT Austin:** ECO 304K is unique among top-10 schools in simultaneously satisfying both a business degree requirement and the state-mandated University Core Curriculum social science requirement — reducing the overall course burden for McCombs students relative to schools where econ counts only toward the major.

## Ranks 11–19

Rank	School	Business & Adjacent Majors	# Required Econ Courses (Major + Core)	Total Econ Credit Hours	Notes	Catalogue URL
#8 (tied)	Cornell University — Dyson School of Applied Economics and Management (Ithaca, NY)	BS in Applied Economics and Management (AEM) with concentrations in Accounting, Finance, Agribusiness, Business Analytics, Environmental/Energy/Resource Economics, Food Industry Management, Marketing, Strategy, Entrepreneurship, International Trade & Development	2 required in Management & Economics core: ECON 1110 Introductory Microeconomics (3 cr) + ECON 1120 Introductory Macroeconomics (3 cr); additional 6 cr of Applied Economics electives required from four subject categories	6 credit hours in the ECON core (1110 + 1120 = 3 + 3); additional applied economics electives (6 cr) required beyond those	Semester. Cornell uses standard credit hours. Dyson's BS is housed jointly in the SC Johnson College of Business and CALS (College of Agriculture and Life Sciences); students must complete 55 CALS credits. ECON 1110 and 1120 are both required in the Management & Economics core. Additional applied economics coursework (6 cr minimum, across 2 of 4 subject categories) required separately. AACSB-accredited.	<a href="https://dyson.cornell.edu/programs/undergraduate/aca...">https://dyson.cornell.edu/programs/undergraduate/aca...</a>
#12 (tied)	University of Notre Dame — Mendoza College of Business (Notre Dame, IN)	BBA in Accountancy, Business Analytics, Finance, Marketing, or Strategic Management; dual-degree programs with engineering and science	1 required as first-year prerequisite: ECON 10010 Principles of Microeconomics (3 cr); satisfies University LA5 Social Science Core requirement; no standalone macro required in BBA core	3 semester credit hours (1 course, micro only)	Semester. ECON 10010 Principles of Microeconomics is mandatory in the first year and simultaneously satisfies the University Core Social Science (LA5) requirement. No separate macroeconomics course is required in the standard BBA. Students considering an Economics secondary major must also complete ECON 10020 Macro, but that is not required for the BBA itself. Mendoza AACSB-accredited. The BBA is 122 total credits (Class of 2026 and beyond).	<a href="https://catalog.nd.edu/undergraduate/business/">https://catalog.nd.edu/undergraduate/business/</a>
#12 (tied)	University of Virginia — McIntire School of Commerce (Charlottesville, VA)	BS in Commerce (3-year program beginning 2nd year; concentrations: Accounting, Finance, Information Technology, Management, Marketing)	2 required as admission prerequisites: ECON 2010 Principles of Microeconomics (3 cr) + ECON 2020 Principles of Macroeconomics (3 cr) — both must be completed in the first year before applying	6 semester credit hours (ECON 2010 + ECON 2020 = 3 + 3), completed in year 1 before formal Commerce admission	Semester. McIntire transitioned to a 3-year BS in Commerce model in fall 2025 (students apply at end of year 1, begin Commerce year 2). ECON 2010 is a required prerequisite for first-year applicants; ECON 2020 also listed in prerequisite eligibility calculations. COMM 1800 Foundations of Commerce also required in year 1. Both economics courses completed as part of the College of Arts & Sciences before formal McIntire admission. AACSB-accredited.	<a href="https://www.commerce.virginia.edu/bs-commerce/admiss...">https://www.commerce.virginia.edu/bs-commerce/admiss...</a>
#12 (tied)	Georgetown University — McDonough School of Business (Washington, DC)	BSBA (majors: Accounting, Finance, International Business, Management, Marketing, Operations & Information Management); BS in Business and Global Affairs (joint with SFS); BS in International Business, Language, and Culture	2 required in BSBA: ECON 1001 Principles of Microeconomics (3 cr) + ECON 1002 Principles of Macroeconomics (3 cr); both must be completed by end of sophomore year	6 semester credit hours (ECON 1001 + ECON 1002 = 3 + 3)	Semester. Both principles courses required of all BSBA students, must be completed by end of second year. AP score of 5 on either exam grants credit for the corresponding course. Students with AP 4 on both may substitute ECON 1003 and one upper-level ECON course for ECON 1001+1002. AACSB-accredited.	<a href="https://bulletin.georgetown.edu/schools-programs/msb...">https://bulletin.georgetown.edu/schools-programs/msb...</a>
#12 (tied)	Emory University — Goizueta Business School (Atlanta, GA)	BBA (concentrations include Finance, Accounting, Marketing, Organization & Management, ISOM, Business Analytics); BBA/MSBA joint degree	2 required as BBA prerequisites (choose one path): ECON 101 Microeconomics (3 cr) + ECON 112 Macroeconomics (3 cr); OR FIN 201 Business Economics (combined course, 3 cr) satisfies both	6 semester credit hours via ECON 101+112 path; 3 cr if FIN 201 combined course used	Semester. Goizueta requires completion of micro AND macro economics (or combined FIN 201 Business Economics) before matriculating into the BBA program. If AP credit satisfies one or both, only the remaining must be taken. AP Micro or AP Macro credit accepted. Two distinct paths allow flexibility. AACSB-accredited. Note: Goizueta is not a direct-admit freshman program — students complete prerequisites in Emory College first, typically matriculating to BBA in sophomore or junior year.	<a href="https://goizueta.emory.edu/undergraduate-business-de...">https://goizueta.emory.edu/undergraduate-business-de...</a>

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#12 (tied)	University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign — Gies College of Business (Champaign, IL)	BS in Accountancy, Finance, Management, Marketing, Supply Chain Management, Information Systems, and more (BSBA framework)	2 required in Business Core: ECON 102 Microeconomic Principles (3 cr) + ECON 103 Macroeconomic Principles (3 cr); both double-count toward university Social & Behavioral Sciences gen-ed requirement	6 semester credit hours (ECON 102 + ECON 103 = 3 + 3); both satisfy the university Social Science requirement (no separate gen-ed econ needed)	Semester. Illinois uses semester hours. ECON 102 and 103 are mandatory in the Business Core for all Gies students, and simultaneously satisfy the university-wide Social & Behavioral Science general education requirement. No additional gen-ed Social Science courses required. AACSB-accredited.	<a href="https://giesgroups.illinois.edu/advising/general-edu...">https://giesgroups.illinois.edu/advising/general-edu...</a>
#12 (tied)	Ohio State University — Fisher College of Business (Columbus, OH)	BSBA with specializations in Accounting, Finance, Marketing, Logistics, Human Resources, Operations, Strategic Management, Economics, MIS, and others	2 required as BSBA pre-admission prerequisites: ECON 2001 Principles of Microeconomics (3 cr) + ECON 2002 Principles of Macroeconomics (3 cr) — both completed before formal Fisher admission and before I-Core	6 semester credit hours (ECON 2001 + ECON 2002 = 3 + 3)	Semester. Both ECON 2001 and ECON 2002 are required prerequisites before entry into the Fisher BSBA major. C- or higher required in each. Note: Fisher offers an Economics specialization, but ECON courses are housed in the College of Arts & Sciences, not the College of Business itself. AACSB-accredited.	<a href="https://fisher.osu.edu/undergraduate/academics/degre...">https://fisher.osu.edu/undergraduate/academics/degre...</a>
#12 (tied)	Washington University in St. Louis — Olin Business School (St. Louis, MO)	BSBA (majors: Accounting, Economics & Strategy, Entrepreneurship, Finance, Financial Engineering, Healthcare Management, Marketing, Organization & Strategic Management, Supply Chain/Operations/Technology); BS in Business and Computer Science (joint with McKelvey)	2 required in Professional Core: MEC 2900 Microeconomics (3 cr) + MEC 2920 Global Economy (3 cr); ECON 1501 Intro Microeconomics and ECON 1502 Intro Macroeconomics (Arts & Sciences) are noted as "beneficial" but not part of professional core; ECON 1502 may substitute for MEC 2920 by petition	6 units (= 6 sem. cr. hrs.) — MEC 2900 + MEC 2920 both in 42-unit Professional Core	Semester. WashU Olin uses "units" = semester credit hours (3 units per standard course). MEC 2900 Microeconomics and MEC 2920 Global Economy are two of the 14 required Professional Core courses. ECON 1501/1502 (from Arts & Sciences) are recommended but separate. Students are direct-admit as freshmen into the BSBA. AACSB-accredited.	<a href="https://bulletin.wustl.edu/undergrad/business/require...">https://bulletin.wustl.edu/undergrad/business/require...</a>
#19 (tied)	Georgia Institute of Technology — Scheller College of Business (Atlanta, GA)	BSBA with concentrations: Accounting, Finance, IT Management, Operations Management, Strategy & Innovation, Marketing, International Business, and others	2 required in Core Area E (Social Sciences): ECON 2105 Principles of Macroeconomics (3 cr) + ECON 2106 Principles of Microeconomics (3 cr)	6 semester credit hours (ECON 2105 + ECON 2106 = 3 + 3)	Semester. Both ECON 2105 and 2106 appear explicitly in the BSBA credit checklist under Core Area E – Social Sciences, required of all Scheller BSBA students. Note: Georgia Tech also offers a separate BS in Economics and BS in Economics & International Affairs, housed in the School of Economics (Ivan Allen College), not Scheller. Scheller AACSB-accredited.	<a href="https://www.scheller.gatech.edu/explore-programs/und...">https://www.scheller.gatech.edu/explore-programs/und...</a>
#19 (tied)	University of Minnesota — Carlson School of Management (Minneapolis, MN)	BSB (majors: Accounting, Business Analytics, Entrepreneurial Management, Finance, Finance & Risk Management Insurance, HR/Industrial Relations, International Business, MIS, Marketing, Public/Nonprofit Management, Supply Chain & Operations Management)	1 required as prerequisite to I-Core (Impact Core): ECON 1165 Business Economics (4 cr) — covers both micro AND macro in one course	4 semester credit hours (1 combined micro+macro course)	Semester. UMN uses 4-credit-hour courses as standard. ECON 1165 Business Economics is a combined micro + macro survey course required of all BSB students before they may enter the Impact Core (the sophomore-year block curriculum). Students may substitute ECON 1101 Microeconomics instead, but ECON 1165 is the standard BSB path. No separate macroeconomics course required. Carlson is direct-admit in first year. AACSB-accredited.	<a href="https://carlsonschool.umn.edu/undergraduate/academic...">https://carlsonschool.umn.edu/undergraduate/academic...</a>

## Cross-School Observations (Batch 2)

**Notre Dame stands out with the lowest formal economics requirement at the top-20 level** — just 1 course (microeconomics, 3 cr), with no macroeconomics required for the BBA. This is partly a function of Mendoza's strong liberal arts integration: the BBA requires 24 credits of non-business coursework, and students can and do pursue Economics as a secondary major.

**Minnesota Carlson uses a unique combined micro+macro course** (ECON 1165, 4 cr) as its single economics requirement — no separate principles courses needed. At 4 credits it is weightier than the 3-credit norm, but it covers both topics in one shot.

**UVA McIntire's 3-year model** (new in 2025) has shifted economics to a first-year prerequisite taken in the College of Arts & Sciences, before students formally enter Commerce. Both ECON 2010 and 2020 are therefore required, but they're positioned as entry gates rather than business core content.

**WashU Olin's economics courses carry the MEC prefix** (Management Economics), not ECON — they are Olin-branded economics courses rather than courses from Arts & Sciences. MEC 2900 Microeconomics and MEC 2920 Global Economy serve the same function as micro and macro elsewhere.

**Cornell Dyson is uniquely "applied economics"** — it requires both ECON 1110 and 1120 plus an additional 6 credits of applied economics field courses. This makes it the most economics-intensive program in this batch on raw course count, though all undergraduates are already economics majors by definition.

**All 10 schools in this batch are AACSB-accredited**, consistent with the broader US News ranking methodology.