PROPOSAL TO OFFER A MINOR IN FALL 2002

Proposed Name of Minor: Economics

Faculty Proposing Minor: Dennis D. Muraoka, Professor of Economics

1. Catalog Description

   The economics minor familiarizes students with the tools of economic analysis, and applies these tools to economic decisions made by individuals in their personal and professional lives, and to the workings of national economies and the world economy. It is suitable for students desiring careers in all fields of business, education, journalism, law and government.

2. Justification for Proposed Minor

   The economics minor informs students about the macroeconomic environment that forms the backdrop for many economic, political and social issues. It also provides students with the tools to identify economic problems and to find solutions to these problems. The study of economics is highly attractive to students with interests in such fields as management, business, government, public policy, political science, education, journalism, law, statistics and the environment.

3. Total Number of Units in the Minor

   24 units

4. Lower Division Requirements

   ECON 110. Principles of Microeconomics (3) and
   ECON 111. Principles of Macroeconomics (3), or
   ECON 300. Fundamentals of Economics (3)
   (Note: If ECON 300 is taken en lieu of ECON 110 and 111, an additional course must be taken from the list of upper division electives below)

   MATH 140. Calculus for Business and Economics (3) or
   MATH 150. Calculus I (4)

   Note: Normally, lower division requirements will total 9 units (ECON 110 and 111, and MATH 140). However, lower division requirements can be completed with as few as 6 units (ECON 300 and MATH 140).

Upper Division Requirements

   ECON 310. Intermediate Microeconomics (3) (prerequisites: ECON 110 and 111, or ECON 300; MATH 140 or 150) or
   ECON 329. Managerial Economics (3) (prerequisites: ECON 110 and 111, or ECON 300; MATH 140 or 150)

   ECON 311. Intermediate Macroeconomics (3) (prerequisites: ECON 110 and 111, or ECON 300; MATH 140 or 150) or
   ECON 320. Money and Banking (3) (prerequisites: ECON 110 and 111, or 300; MATH 140 or 150)
6. Lower and Upper Division Electives

Additional upper division courses in economics to a minimum of 24 units. (See attached list of economics courses.)

Note: Typically 3 additional upper division courses. Four upper division courses for students opting for ECON 300 en lieu of ECON 110 and 111

7. Additional Facilities/Faculty Needed to Offer the Minor

None