FOUNDATIONS OF ECONOMIC ANALYSIS, POST-BACCALAUREATE CERTIFICATE

The Post-Baccalaureate Certificate (P.B.C.) in Foundations of Economic Analysis is designed for individuals interested in enhancing their understanding of fundamental models in microeconomics, macroeconomics, and econometrics and learning how to apply these models to conduct policy-relevant economic analysis.

The P.B.C. in Foundations of Economic Analysis is composed of three courses that can be completed in as little as two semesters. Admission in either the fall or the spring semester is possible.

Completion of the P.B.C. in Foundations of Economic Analysis ensures eligibility to apply for admission to the Master of Arts (M.A.) in Applied Economics; courses completed as part of the certificate program may count toward completion of the M.A. subject to the Graduate School policy on time limits for master's degrees. Completion of the certificate also helps satisfy the undergraduate course prerequisites to apply for admission to the Economics Concentration of the Ph.D. in Business Administration program.

Students may pursue the P.B.C. concurrently with an M.A. in Applied Economics. Courses taken as part of the certificate program may satisfy degree requirements subject to Graduate School policy. Certificates function similarly to a cognate, which is course work organized around a narrow subfield. Certificates provide master's students with the ability to earn enhanced credentials. Enrolled master's students do not have to pay an additional application fee to pursue a concurrent certificate.

Student Learning Outcomes

- **Microeconomic Theory.** Students will apply microeconomic theory to the analysis of economics issues.
- **Macroeconomic Theory.** Students will apply macroeconomic theory to the analysis of economics issues.
- **Econometrics.** Students will apply econometric procedures in the empirical analysis of economic issues.

For information regarding deadlines and requirements for admission, please see https://grs.uncg.edu/programs/.

Certificate Program Requirements

Required: 12 credit hours

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Required Courses (12 credits)		
ECO 641	Microeconomics I	4
ECO 643	Econometric Methods	4
ECO 646	Macroeconomics	4
Total Credit Hours		**12**

e-Portfolio

As a requirement for completion of the certificate, each student must successfully complete an e-Portfolio of significant assignments and final projects. The e-Portfolio demonstrates a student's cumulative program knowledge and fulfills the capstone requirement of the program. This body of work can be shared with prospective employers to help students distinguish themselves in the job market. Students must receive approval of their e-Portfolio from the Graduate Program Director in order to meet the graduation requirement.