

4+1 Course Selection Guide

Graduate Course Selection

Three graduate courses will be completed as an undergraduate, and students must receive at least a “B” in each course in order for them to count towards the eventual master’s degree. Students must submit the [6000-Level Course Permission Request Form](#) prior to every semester in which at least one graduate course will be taken in order to receive permission to register for graduate level sections. Only students who are currently meeting the requirements for the program and eventual entry into the Master’s program will be allowed to register for these classes.

1. *Required:* Introductory Econometrics – Must take ECO 6350. Do not take ECO 4350.

Course Name	Undergraduate Course Number	Graduate Course Number
Introductory Econometrics	ECO 4350	ECO 6350

2. The other two graduate courses are electives that can be selected from the following courses in green. Note that several of these courses also have undergraduate sections which meet at the same time. In most cases, you should apply to register for the graduate section of the course.

Course Name	Undergraduate Course Number	Graduate Course Number
International Economic and Financial Environment	N/A	ECO 6330
International Trade	N/A	ECO 6331
Trade Policy and the World Trading System	N/A	ECO 6333
Strategic Behavior	ECO 4341	ECO 6341
Decision-Making Under Uncertainty	ECO 4343	ECO 6343
Law and Economics	ECO 4353	ECO 6353
*Causal Inference in Economics	ECO 4356	*ECO 6356
Economic Development: Macroeconomic Perspectives	ECO 4360	ECO 6360
Economic Growth	ECO 4362	ECO 6362
Public Sector (Federal Government) Expenditures	ECO 4367	ECO 6367
*Computing for Economics	N/A	*ECO 6370

* Requires completion of ECO 6350.

Undergraduate Course Selection: Important note regarding ECO electives

Three undergraduate ECO courses will be replaced with the three graduate courses above.

ECO BA and ECO BSFA students will complete the following:

- As described above, three graduate courses (ECO 6350 + two graduate electives)
- Three undergraduate electives (ECO 43xx courses)

ECO BS students will complete the following:

- As described above, three graduate courses (ECO 6350 + two graduate electives)
- Five undergraduate electives (ECO 43xx courses)

As noted above, the following courses are offered at the graduate level as well as the undergraduate level and meet at the same time (i.e. cross listed courses). In most cases, students should avoid taking courses at the 43xx level that may later be taken at the 63xx level as this gives you more flexibility in scheduling classes once you enter the Master’s program.

In other words, avoid the courses in red below when possible. You will usually be better off selecting other 43xx electives that are not listed here (ex. ECO 4330). A complete list of electives can be found [here](#) (first select your major). A reminder that the catalog is the complete and official source of requirements.

Course Name	Undergraduate Course Number	Graduate Course Number
Strategic Behavior	ECO 4341	ECO 6341
Decision-Making Under Uncertainty	ECO 4343	ECO 6343
Law and Economics	ECO 4353	ECO 6353
Economic and Business Forecasting	ECO 4354	ECO 6354
Causal Inference in Economics	ECO 4356	ECO 6356
Public Sector (Federal Government) Expenditures	ECO 4367	ECO 6367
Economic Development: Macroeconomic Perspectives	ECO 4360	ECO 6360
Economic Growth	ECO 4362	ECO 6362

If you are unsure what to take after reading this, contact the interim Director of Undergraduate Studies, Dr. Salmon at tsalmon@smu.edu.

Important Note: 4+1 students may only choose the MA in Applied Economics, not the MS degree. However, students can switch to the MS degree after being admitted to the master's program, if they are willing to take additional courses.