

# ADVANCE

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A.S. Social Sciences /  
B.A. Economics Pathway  
**2021-2022**

## A.S. Social Sciences

### ADVANCE Program Milestones

**ADVANCE Milestone Requirements:** All ADVANCE students must adhere to the following requirements. For Milestones #1-#3, failure to meet these milestones will prevent a student from matriculating to Mason and/or result in termination from ADVANCE. For Milestones #4-#6, failure to meet these milestones may delay matriculation to Mason.

1. Students must complete their NOVA degree within 4 years of being admitted into ADVANCE. Students are highly encouraged to be continuously enrolled at NOVA/Mason to support progress towards degree completion.
2. Students must maintain a minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA at NOVA and must have a minimum 2.5 GPA upon matriculation to Mason.
3. Students who wish to enroll at Mason for the fall semester must apply for NOVA graduation by March 1 for spring graduation or June 1 for summer graduation. Students who wish to enroll at Mason for the spring semester must apply for NOVA graduation by October 1 for winter graduation.
4. Students must begin developmental coursework in no later than the first semester in ADVANCE at NOVA.
5. Students must take first college-level MTH course and ENG 111 in the semester immediately following the completion of any MDE or EDE courses (excluding summer).
6. In the first 30 credits, students must:
  - a. Complete ENG 111 and ENG 112 with a C or better.
  - b. Complete the first college-level MTH course with a C or better.

	NOVA DEGREE REQUIREMENT	Credits	Courses	MASON TRANSFER EQUIVALENT	MASON CORE/DEGREE EQUIVALENT
1	SDV Course	1	SDV 100 College Success Skills <b>OR</b> SDV 101 Orientation to Business	UNIV 100	General Elective
2	ENG 111	3	ENG 111 College Composition I	ENGH 101	Written Comm
3	HIS Elective	3	HIS 101 History of Western Civilization I <b>OR</b> HIS 102 History of Western Civilization II <b>OR</b> HIS 112 History of World Civilization II	HIST 101 HIST 102 HIST 125	Western Civ
4	MTH 161 Required (NOVA Catalog: MTH 154 or Higher)	3	MTH 161 PreCalculus I	None	Prerequisite
5	Transfer Elective #1	3-4	Any World Language/ASL course sequence 101 <b>OR</b> Any General Education Elective (if placed out of World Language) <sup>1</sup>	GMU Equivalent	CHSS For. Lang or General Elective
6	Science Course #1	4	BIO 101 General Biology I <b>OR</b> CHM 101 General Chemistry I <b>OR</b> ENV 121 General Environmental Science I <b>OR</b> GOL 105 Physical Geology <b>OR</b> PHY 101 Introduction to Physics I	BIOL 103/105 CHEM 103 EVPP 108/109 GEOL 101 PHYS 103	Nat Science
7	ENG 112	3	ENG 112 College Composition II	ENGH XXX	General Elective
8	ITE 115 or ITE 119 or General Education Elective	3	ITE 115 Introduction to Computer Applications and Concepts <b>OR</b> ITE 119 Information Literacy	IT 103 IT 104	Info Tech
9	MTH 261 Required (NOVA Catalog: MTH 245 or higher)	3	MTH 261 Applied Calculus I	MATH 108	Quantitative
10	Science Course #2	4	BIO 101 General Biology I <b>OR</b> BIO 102 General Biology II <b>OR</b> CHM 101 Introductory Chemistry I <b>OR</b> ENV 121 General Environmental Science I <b>OR</b> ENV 122 General Environmental Science II <b>OR</b> GOL 105 Physical Geology <b>OR</b> GOL 106 Historical Geology <b>OR</b> PHY 101 Introduction to Physics I <b>OR</b> PHY 102 Introduction to Physics II	BIOL 103/105 BIOL 102 CHEM 103 EVPP 108/109 EVPP 112/113 GEOL 101 GEOL 102/104 PHYS 103 PHYS 104	Nat Science

11	Transfer Elective #2	3-4	Any World Language/ASL course sequence 102 <b>OR</b> Any General Education Elective ( <i>if placed out of World Language</i> ) <sup>2</sup>	GMU Equivalent	CHSS For. Lang or General Elective
12	Social/Behavioral Sciences #1	3	ECO 201 Principles of Macroeconomics	ECON 104	Major
13	CST Course	3	CST 100 Principles of Public Speaking <b>OR</b> CST 110 Introduction to Communication	COMM 100 COMM 101	CHSS For. Lang or General Elective
14	Humanities/Fine Arts #1	3-4	Any World Language/ASL course sequence 201 <b>OR</b> Any Humanities/Fine Arts Elective ( <i>if placed out of World Language</i> )	GMU Equivalent	CHSS For. Lang or General Elective
15	PSY 200 or SOC 200	3	PSY 200 Principles of Psychology <b>OR</b> SOC 200 Principles of Sociology	PSYC 100 SOCI 101	Soc/Behav
16	Social/Behavioral Sciences #2	3	ECO 202 Principles of Microeconomics	ECON 103	Major
17	Social/Behavioral Sciences #3	3	ECO 230 Money and Banking <b>OR</b> GEO 220 World Regional Geography <b>OR</b> HIS 111 History of World Civilization I <b>OR</b> PLS 140 Introduction to Comparative Politics <b>OR</b> PLS 241 International Relations I <b>OR</b> PSY 219 Cross-Cultural Psychology	ECON L310 GGS 101 HIST L387 GOVT 133 GOVT 132 PSYC L379	Major or Global
18	General Education Elective	3-4	Any World Language/ASL course sequence 202 <b>OR</b> Any General Education Elective ( <i>if placed out of World Language</i> )	GMU Equivalent	CHSS For. Lang or General Elective
19	Humanities/Fine Arts #2	3	ENG 236 Introduction to the Short Story <b>OR</b> ENG 241 Survey of American Literature I <b>OR</b> ENG 242 Survey of American Literature II <b>OR</b> ENG 251 Survey of World Literature I <b>OR</b> ENG 252 Survey of World Literature II <b>OR</b> ENG 253 Survey of African-American Literature I	ENGH 202	Literature
20	Social/Behavioral Sciences #4 ( <i>This elective must be taken at Mason if total language credits are 15 or more - Please see your Success Coach</i> )	3	GEO 220 World Regional Geography <b>OR</b> HIS 111 History of World Civilization I <b>OR</b> SOC 211 Principles of Anthropology I	GGS 101 HIST L387 ANTH 114	Non-Western

#### A. S. SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEGREE TOTAL 60-62

For academic policies and procedures, please see NOVA catalog - <http://www.nvcc.edu/catalog/index.html>

### B.A. Economics

**Concentrations:** Managerial Economics; Philosophy, Politics, and Economics.

**NOTE:** Students selecting the *Philosophy, Politics, and Economics* concentration must meet with a Mason Advisor or Success Coach to create a graduation plan.

	MASON DEGREE REQUIREMENT	Credits	Course	MASON CORE/DEGREE EQUIVALENT
21	Major Core Courses	3	ECON 306 Intermediate Microeconomics	Major
22	Major Core Courses	3	ECON 309 Economic Problems and Public Policies	Major
23	Major Core Courses	3	ECON 311 Intermediate Macroeconomics	Major
24	Major Core Courses	3	STAT 250 Introductory Statistics I	Major
25	Major Core Courses	3	STAT 350 Introductory Statistics II	Major
26	Gen Ed: Written Communication (Upper-level)	3	ENGH 302 Advanced Composition	Written Comm
27	Electives in Major or Global/Non-Western	3	Any 300-400 level Economics (ECON) coursework (excludes ECON 385) <b>OR</b> Approved Global or Non-Western Course ( <i>if ECO 230/ECON L310 taken at NOVA</i> )	Major
28	Electives in Major	3	Any 300-400 level Economics (ECON) coursework (excludes ECON 385)	Major
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32	Electives in Major	3	ECON 355 The Political Economy of Nonprofit Institutions <b>OR</b> ECON 365 Topics in Economic History <b>OR</b> ECON 395 Effective Writing in Economics ECON 435 Economics of Energy <b>OR</b> ECON 470 Economics of Regulation <b>OR</b> ECON 485 Smithian Political Economy I	Writing Intensive
33	Electives in Major	3	Any 400 level Economics (ECON) coursework	Major
34	Electives in Major	3	Any 400 level Economics (ECON) coursework	Major
35	CHSS Phil/Reli	3	Any approved PHIL/RELI course <sup>3</sup>	CHSS Phil/Reli
36	Mason Core: Arts	3	Any approved Arts course <sup>3</sup>	Arts
37	Capstone Requirement	3	ECON 460 Senior Seminar in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics <b>OR</b> ECON 491 Capstone in Economics <b>OR</b> ECON 493 Capstone Internship <b>OR</b> ECON 495 RS: Honors Thesis in Economics	Capstone/ Synthesis
38	General Electives or CHSS Non-Western	3	General Elective or Non-Western Culture course <sup>3</sup> ( <i>if not taken at NOVA</i> ) (Upper-level, See: Advisor)	General Elective or CHSS Non-Western
39	General Electives or Global	3	General Elective or Global Understanding course <sup>3</sup> ( <i>if not taken at NOVA</i> ) (See: Advisor)	General Elective or Global
40	General Electives	0-4	General Elective (See: Advisor)	General Elective

<b>B.A. ECONOMICS DEGREE</b>		<b>120</b>		
<b>TOTAL</b>				

**Important Academic Information:**

<sup>1</sup>If students test out of World Language/ASL 101, it is recommended students take MTH 245.

<sup>2</sup>If students test out of World Language/ASL 102, it is recommended they take a class that fulfills the Arts Mason Core requirement.

<sup>3</sup>For approved Mason Core or CHSS required courses, please visit - <https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/economics/economics-ba/#requirements>

**Additional General Notes & Resources:**

- Students pursuing this degree must complete a minimum of 59 credits of required coursework with a minimum GPA of 2.00. Students completing a concentration will complete additional credits.
- ADVANCE students who earn at least a 2.85 cumulative GPA and no more than 9 credits of unrepeat D/F grades may be eligible to receive a waiver for any lower-level Mason Core courses not already completed. To be eligible for the core waiver, students must also complete the requirements of the AA or AS degree listed on their pathway, and apply to graduate from NOVA by the deadline (see milestone #3). Students must meet these criteria by the time of matriculation to Mason and provide the Office of Admissions a final, official transcript reflecting the degree conferral date.
- For academic policies and procedures, please see Mason catalog - <https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/>
- Students seeking a bachelor's degree must apply at least 45 credits of upper-level courses (numbered 300 or above) toward graduation.