



2022/2023 CATALOG ADDENDUM - I

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Catalog changes included in this Addendum are listed below:

- Plagiarism Policy – left out of the catalog
- Repeat Course Policy – new policy
- ECON 435 course description has been changed - Catalog page 67
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- BGDA 501 course description has been changed - Catalog page 110
- ECON 505 course description has been changed - Catalog page 114



PLAGIARISM POLICY

Catalog Page Reference: none

Effective Date: 7/1/2022

Summary of Changes: Plagiarism policy was inadvertently left out of the catalog

Policy

BAU holds students to high standards of academic honesty. Students are expected to submit original work using their own ideas and words. Examples of plagiarism include, but are not limited to:

- Cutting and pasting an internet source
- No in-text citations
- No bibliography provided
- Copying another student's work
- Re-using work from a previous class

1st Offense: The student will lose 50% of their assignment grade. If the student attends a remedial workshop to address the plagiarism, he/she will be given another chance to do the assignment under the supervision of the teacher. The original grade and the make-up grade will then be averaged together and applied to the student's grade for the class.

2nd Offense: The student will receive a zero (0) and a warning letter for Academic Performance. The student will be placed on probation.

3rd Offense: The student will receive a zero (0) and face expulsion from the university.

Offense 2 and 3 will become part of the student's official record.

REPEAT COURSE POLICY

Catalog Page Reference: none

Effective Date: 01/01/2023

Summary of Changes: Repeat Course Policy was created in fall 2022

Policy

This policy applies to courses taken for the first time in spring 2023 or later.

There is a limit to the number of times a student may repeat a course. Students may repeat a course one (1) time for a new grade if a previously unsatisfactory grade of C-, D+, D, or F was earned the first time. Eligible students will be able to register for the class with no special approval needed.

A student cannot be registered for any given course more than twice, except under special circumstances approved by the Chief Academic Officer as shown in the exception section below.

Students may repeat no more than 18 credits for undergraduates or 6 credits for graduates. Additionally, if a student withdraws from all courses during a semester, those courses are not included in this limit.

When students repeat a course at the University, the second grade, which is not necessarily the better grade, will be factored into the grade point average. Credit can be earned only once. Credit for courses initially passed will be removed from the record when the “repeat” course is completed, even if the second grade is a failure. An “R” appears next to both listings of the course on the transcript. The earlier grade will still remain on the transcript but will not be factored into the GPA.

The repeated course(s), including the original attempt, must be counted toward the maximum time frame and hours completion ratio requirements, which can impact your satisfactory academic progress.

The Chief Academic Officer may grant an exception allowing an additional course repeat. In this case, students must present a plan for successfully completing the course. Exceptions to repeating a course more than once will be made only if it is a major or minor requirement for which the minimum grade of “C” for undergraduates and “B” for graduates is required, or if a student is ineligible to advance to the next level without a passing grade. All subsequent repeats, after the first one, will be counted in computing the GPA.



ECON 435 PUBLIC FINANCE AND THE ECONOMY

Catalog Page Reference: Page 67

Effective Date: January 2023

Summary of Changes: Course description change – to include a definition of Public Finance in the context of the course

Change

Add:

Public finance studies the role the state or the government plays in the economy by looking into its income and expenditures activities.

Original:

Although they may disagree about appropriate government policies, all economists would agree that those policies have an immense influence on the economy. This course examines how the methods that governments use to finance themselves (taxes, tariffs, debt) and the expenditures that they make (social spending, capital investment, and subsidies) can impact and distort a totally free-market economy.



ECON 111 INTRODUCTION TO MACROECONOMICS

Catalog Page Reference: Page 66

Effective Date: January 2023

Summary of Changes: Course description change – to more accurately define Macroeconomics and the context of the course

Change

Macroeconomics is the discipline in economics that examines the overall behavior of the economy in other words, the nation's aggregate economy. This course examines such issues as economic growth, inflation, unemployment, savings, and investment to understand how these factors interact to impact the business cycle and the overall national income.



BGDA 501 INTRODUCTION TO BIG DATA

Catalog Page Reference: Page 110

Effective Date: January 2023

Summary of Changes: Course description change – defines direct relevancy to the course title and the innovation of the technologies, allowing students to gain skills and hands-on experience on the topics of the course

Change

This course provides Big Data Concepts, Technology, and Architecture. The course delivers a comprehensive treatment of Big Data tools, terminology, and technology suitable to academic researchers and students. The course begins with an overview of Big Data and moves on to discuss every stage of the lifecycle of Big Data. Students will learn about the creation of structured, unstructured, and semi-structured data, data storage solutions, traditional database solutions such as SQL, data processing, data analytics, machine learning, and data mining. Students will also discover how specific technologies, including Apache Hadoop, SQOOP, and Flume. This course also covers the central topic of big data visualization with Tableau and how to create various plots, such as scatter plots, histograms, bar, line, and pie charts with that software. Students will learn the basics of R programming.



ECON 505 ECONOMICS

Catalog Page Reference: Page 114

Effective Date: January 2023

Summary of Changes: Course description change – to include clarify that this course is focused on managerial economics for business students rather than the broad field itself

Change

Add

Managerial Economics is the branch of economics which focuses on how business managers use economic theories and principles in decision making processes.

Original

This course will help students learn how firms boost the profitability of their companies using economic theory and analysis to address business problems. It uses a problem-solving approach to achieve this goal and focuses not just on theory but on the practical application of economic tools. The theoretical foundation of this class includes two elements: first, that the Rational Actor Paradigm (which maintains that people behave rationally, optimally and self-interestedly) sufficiently explains human behavior and second, that the art of business involves moving assets from lower-valued uses to higher-valued uses. Using these ideas, the class develops students' ability to perform economic analysis and to approach business problems from a management point of view.