



**SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF REGENTS  
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS FORMS**

**Substantive Program Modification Form**

<b>UNIVERSITY:</b>	<b>SDSU</b>
<b>CURRENT PROGRAM TITLE:</b>	<b>Economics Minor</b>
<b>CIP CODE:</b>	<b>45.0601</b>
<b>UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT:</b>	<b>Economics (SASEC)</b>
<b>UNIVERSITY DIVISION:</b>	<b>Arts &amp; Sciences (SA&amp;S)</b>

**University Approval**

*To the Board of Regents and the Executive Director: I certify that I have read this proposal, that I believe it to be accurate, and that it has been evaluated and approved as provided by university policy.*

Dennis D. Hedge
2/7/2018  


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Vice President of Academic Affairs or  
President of the University
Date

**1. This modification addresses a change in:**

- Total credits required within the discipline  Total credits of supportive course work
- Total credits of elective course work  Total credits required for program
- Program name  Existing specialization
- CIP Code  Other (explain below)

**2. Effective date of change: 2018-2019 Academic Year**

**3. Program Degree Level:**

Associate  Bachelor's  Master's  Doctoral

**4. Category:**

Certificate  Specialization  Minor  Major

**5. If a name change is proposed, the change will occur:**

- On the effective date for all students
- On the effective date for students new to the program (enrolled students will graduate from existing program)

Proposed new name:

*Reminder: Name changes may require updating related articulation agreements, site approvals, etc.*

**6. Primary Aspects of the Modification (add lines or adjust cell size as needed):**

<i>Existing Curriculum</i>				<i>Proposed Curriculum (highlight changes)</i>			
Pref.	Num.	Title	Cr. Hrs.	Pref.	Num.	Title	Cr. Hrs.
ECON	201	Principles of Microeconomics	3	ECON	201	Principles of Microeconomics	3
ECON	202	Principles of Macroeconomics	3	ECON	202	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
ECON	301	Intermediate Microeconomics (3)	3	ECON	301	Intermediate Microeconomics (3)	3
OR				OR			
ECON	302	Intermediate Macroeconomics (3)		ECON	302	Intermediate Macroeconomics (3)	
STAT	281	Introduction to Statistics	3	STAT	281	Introduction to Statistics (3)	3
				<b>OR</b>			

				STAT 381 Introduction to Probability and Statistics (3) OR STAT 382 Probability and Statistics I (3)	
Two courses selected from courses prefixed AGECE or ECON	6-7			Two courses selected from courses prefixed AGECE or ECON (Must be at the 300- or 400-level)	6-7
Courses prefixed ACCT, AGECE, BADM, ECON, or ENTR	3-4			Courses prefixed ACCT, AGECE, BADM, ECON, or ENTR	3-4
Total number of hours required for minor	21-23			Total number of hours required for minor	18
Total number of hours required for degree	21-23			Total number of hours required for degree	18

### 1. Explanation of the Change:

The Department of Economics has completed a review of the Economics minor and identified the following changes:

- Introductory statistics at any level will be accepted, to allow for students with a major or other minor requiring a higher level of statistical knowledge.
- Elective courses for the minor must be at an upper division level to gain a deeper understanding of economics. Upper division ECON or AGECE course for 4 credits are not available, thus eliminating the need to specify 6-7 credits.
- The general departmental elective was removed to allow a decrease to the number of credits required for the minor to 18. This change will bring the minor in line with the BOR guidelines for minors.