

# **BSc (Hons) Business Economics and Investment Analysis (F/T)–SH316**

## **1. Context and Objectives**

The Department of Economics and Statistics is offering a 3-year final BSc (Hons) Programme in Business Economics and Investment Analysis.

This programme aims at:

- Preparing individuals to assume key positions of responsibility by upgrading their knowledge and skills to comparable international standards.
- Applying the concepts of business economics and investment analysis to the world of business, finance, banking and government policy-making and hence informed professional practice.
- Developing the ability to identify problems and the capacity for decision-making, leading to practical solutions.
- Enhancing the individual's capacity to meet emerging challenges within an organisation with a view to increasing domestic and international competitiveness in a rapidly changing global environment.

In terms of career prospects, this programme will enable students to be employed in the financial sector, banking sector, offshore, fund management and other careers in Economics and Finance.

## **2. Learning Outcomes**

On completion of the programme, students should be able to:

- Evaluate results pertaining to different econometric models
- Discuss the challenges posed by financial crises and examine policies in light of these challenges
- Solve portfolio optimisation problems under assets allocation
- Analyse specific economic and financial cases related to real world problems
- Interpret metrics related to performance appraisal for better decision-making processes
- Apply investment techniques using both fundamental and technical analyses
- Develop critical thinking related to business and economic development

## **3. Teaching and Learning Methods**

As far as possible, a blended approach will be used. These might include among others: face to face lectures, e-learning (moodle), problem based learning, case studies, document analysis, practical lab sessions (where applicable), assignments, seminars, tutorials, open learning materials, textbooks and independent study as well as collaborative learning.

#### 4. Entry Requirements

##### General Entry Requirements

In accordance with the University General Entry Requirements for admission to Undergraduate and Postgraduate degree Programmes.

##### Programme (Specific)

Credit in Mathematics and English at 'O' Level and 'A' Level Mathematics or 'O' Level Additional Mathematics or HSC Subsidiary/ Advanced Subsidiary Mathematics.

#### 5. Programme Duration

	Normal	Maximum
Degree	3 years	5 years

#### 6. Minimum LCCS Credits Required – 200

##### For Degree Award

Core	Electives	Dissertation
156	24	20

Modules	LCCS Credits
<b>Core</b>	
ECON	114
ILT	6
DFA	12
LAWS	12
MGT	12
Dissertation	20
<b>Electives</b>	24
<b>Total</b>	<b>200</b>

##### For each Academic Year

Year	LCCS Credits
<b>1</b>	66
<b>2</b>	66
<b>3</b>	68
<b>Total</b>	<b>200</b>

## 7. Assessment and Deadlines

Each module will be assessed over 100 marks with details as follows (unless otherwise specified):

Assessment will be based on a written examination of 2 to 3 hour duration (normally a paper of 2 hour duration for modules carrying less or equal to six LCCS credits and 3 hour paper for modules carrying twelve LCCS credits and on continuous assessment done during the semester or year. Written examinations for all modules, except for OE modules and some semester modules, whether taught in semester 1 or in semester 2 or both, will be carried out at the end of the academic year (unless stated otherwise).

The continuous assessment will count for 40 to 50% of the overall percentage mark of the module(s). Examinations will count for 50 to 60% of the overall percentage mark of the module(s). Continuous assessment may be based on seminars and/or assignments and should include at least two (2) assignments/tests per module. There will be a compulsory class test for all modules taught in semester 1 at the end of semester 1 of the given academic year unless stated otherwise in the Programme Structure.

An overall total of 40% for combined continuous assessment and written examination components would be required to pass the module at Degree level, without minimum thresholds within the individual continuous assessment and written examination. The same criterion will apply for modules being assessed jointly. Note that all overall mark for the two modules will be considered and not the individual marks for each of the two modules.

### Submission Deadline for Dissertation

Final copy: Last week day of March of the Academic Year by 4.00 p.m. at latest.

Three copies of the dissertation (two spiral-bound copies and one soft copy in a single PDF text file on electronic storage media) should be submitted to the Faculty/Centre Registry and in addition, a soft copy of the dissertation in a single PDF text file should be uploaded on the "Turnitin' Platform" in the final assignment submission link indicated by the Programme /Project Coordinator.

All of the above should be submitted not later than the last working day (i.e. excluding Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays) of March of the academic year by 4.00 p.m. at latest.

## 8. List of Modules - BSc (Hons) Business Economics and Investment Analysis

<b>Code CORE</b>	<b>Module Name</b>	<b>Hrs/Wk L+P</b>	<b>LCCS CREDITS</b>
ILT 1010e(1)	Digital Literacy <sup>1</sup>	Online Education	6
DFA 1020Y(1)	Accounting and Financial Analysis	3+0	12
ECON 1001 Y(1)	Fundamentals of Economics	3+0	12
ECON 1007Y(1)	Quantitative Methods for Financial Economists	3+0	12
ECON 1212(1)	Principles of Financial Economics <sup>2</sup>	3+0	6
LAWS 1108(1)	The Mauritian Legal System & Its Legal Process <sup>1</sup>	3+0	6
MGT 1067Y(1)	Principles and Practice of Management	3+0	12

ECON 2008Y(3)	Business Economics	3+0	12
ECON 2017Y(3)	Economic Policy Analysis	3+0	12
ECON 2178(3)	Business and Economic Development <sup>1</sup>	3+0	6
ECON 2201(3)	Market Trading and Corporate Governance <sup>2</sup>	3+0	6
ECON 2019Y(3)	Investment Analysis and Management	3+0	12
ECON 2171(3)	Fundamentals of Econometrics <sup>1</sup>	3+0	6
ECON 3101(5)	The Mauritian Economic Environment <sup>1</sup>	3+0	6
ECON 3102(5)	Business Finance <sup>1</sup>	3+0	6
ECON 3000(5)	Dissertation	-	20
ECON 3291Y(5)	Corporate Financial Analysis	3+0	12
ECON 3299(5)	Project Appraisal and Sustainable Development <sup>2</sup>	3+0	6
LAWS 2240(3)	Business Law <sup>2</sup>	3+0	6
<b><u>ELECTIVES</u></b>			
ECON 2005Y(3)	Economics of Industry and Labour	3+0	12
ECON 2006Y(3)	Economics of Transport and Tourism	3+0	12
ECON 2233(3)	Applied Econometrics for Business <sup>2</sup>	3+0	6
ECON 3196(5)	Economics of Competition Policy and Market Regulation <sup>1</sup>	3+0	6
ECON 3105(5)	International Business Economics <sup>1</sup>	3+0	6

**Note 1: Offering of electives would be subject to availability of resources and critical mass. The Department reserves the right to offer additional electives.**

## 9. Programme Plan – BSc (Hons) Business Economics and Investment Analysis

### YEAR 1

<b><u>Code CORE</u></b>	<b>Module Name</b>	<b>Hrs/Wk L+P</b>	<b>LCCS Credits</b>
ILT 1010e(1)	Digital Literacy <sup>1</sup>	3+0	6
DFA 1020Y(1)	Accounting and Financial Analysis	3+0	12
MGT 1067Y(1)	Principles and Practice of Management	3+0	12
ECON 1001Y(1)	Fundamentals of Economics	3+0	12
ECON 1007Y(1)	Quantitative Methods for Financial Economists	3+0	12
ECON 1212(1)	Principles of Financial Economics <sup>2</sup>	3+0	6
LAWS 1108(1)	The Mauritian Legal System & Its Legal Process <sup>1</sup>	3+0	6
<b>Sub Total</b>			<b>66</b>

### YEAR 2

<b>Code CORE</b>	<b>Module Name</b>	<b>Hrs/Wk L+P</b>	<b>LCCS Credits</b>
ECON 2008Y(3)	Business Economics	3+0	12
ECON 2017Y(3)	Economic Policy Analysis	3+0	12
ECON 2019Y(3)	Investment Analysis and Management	3+0	12
ECON 2171(3)	Fundamentals of Econometrics <sup>1</sup>	3+0	6
ECON 2178(3)	Business and Economic Development <sup>1</sup>	3+0	6
ECON 2201(3)	Market Trading and Corporate Governance <sup>2</sup>	3+0	6

**Electives: Choose 12 credits from:**

ECON 2005Y(3)	Economics of Industry and Labour	3+0	12
ECON 2006Y(3)	Economics of Transport and Tourism	3+0	12
<b>Sub Total</b>			<b>66</b>

**YEAR 3**

<b>Code CORE</b>	<b>Module Name</b>	<b>Hrs/Wk L+P</b>	<b>LCCS Credits</b>
ECON 3101(5)	The Mauritian Economic Environment <sup>1</sup>	3+0	6
ECON 3291Y(5)	Corporate Financial Analysis	3+0	12
ECON 3102(5)	Business Finance <sup>1</sup>	3+0	6
LAWS 2240(3)	Business Law <sup>2</sup>	3+0	6
ECON 3299(5)	Project Appraisal and Sustainable Development <sup>2</sup>	3+0	6
ECON 3000(5)	Dissertation	-	20
<b>Electives: Choose 12 credits from:</b>			
ECON 3196(5)	Economics of Competition Policy and Market Regulation <sup>1</sup>	3+0	6
ECON 3105(5)	International Business Economics <sup>1</sup>	3+0	6
ECON 2233(3)	Applied Econometrics for Business <sup>2</sup>	3+0	6
<b>Sub Total</b>			<b>68</b>
<b>Total</b>			<b>200</b>

**Note:** (1)<sup>1</sup> – Taught and examined in Semester 1;

<sup>2</sup> – Taught and examined in Semester 2

(2) Offering of electives would be subject to availability of resources and critical mass.  
The Department reserves the right to offer additional electives.