

**UNIVERSITY OF WEST GEORGIA  
ANNUAL REPORT TEMPLATE (ACADEMIC)  
FY 2010 (July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010)**

DEPARTMENT OF \_\_\_\_\_ Economics \_\_\_\_\_  
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**DEPARTMENTAL MISSION & ASSESSMENT**

1. Departmental Mission & Goals

The primary mission of the Economics Department is to:

- provide a personalized and high quality undergraduate education in economics with a choice of business (B.B.A.), liberal arts or secondary education certification (B.S.), or international economics (B.A.)
- closely work with undergraduate economics majors in helping these students gain valuable research, technological, and other career enhancing skills and help in the placement of these students in graduate school or entry level positions
- conduct academic research by presenting papers at conferences and by publishing in peer review journals
- work closely with the Honors College to enhance the quality of the Honors experience at UWG
- conduct service activities including data analysis and presentations on the West Georgia economy
- teach service courses in economics and business statistics for all business majors
- participate in the Richards College of Business MBA program
- participate in College of Business and university international studies programs
- enhance the economic literacy of K-12 teachers and students through activities of the Center for Economic Education
- aid in the recruiting and retention of undergraduate students.

Departmental Goals [*Align with institutional goals in 5 below*]

- 1) **Economics Graduates.** Students completing the baccalaureate program with a major in Economics (B.B.A., B.S., B.A.) will be able to demonstrate a satisfactory understanding of economic theory and its application and will be adequately prepared for the job market and/or graduate school. **(SPG1)**
- 2) **Economics Majors, Graduates, and Enrollment in Major Courses.** The Economics Department will recruit majors, effectively advise majors, and schedule classes in such a way to help economics majors graduate in a timely manner. **(SPG7, SPG8)**
- 3) **Undergraduate Research and Internships.** Economics majors will be engaged in research and will be given opportunities to participate in internship experiences. **(SPG1)**
- 4) **Departmental Committee Activity.**  
Department committees will effectively function during 2009-10. **(SPG1)**
- 5) **Faculty and Staff Development.** Economics faculty and staff will be actively engaged in development activities. **(SPG6)**