

Academic and Career Services

CAREER PATHFINDERS

BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE WITH A MAJOR IN

ECONOMICS

Overview

Economics analyzes how societies provide for their well-being, and examines the choices and trade-offs that are made in the face of limited resources. It studies the competition and cooperation that arises among individuals, private organizations, and governments in the process of allocating scarce resources to a variety of different uses in society.

Economics is widely recognized as a solid background for many jobs and professions in business, financial services, government and law. Graduate level studies can lead to university teaching positions, independent consultancies, and research.

"The Economics program was instrumental in helping me prepare for my graduate work and career. I utilize the knowledge and analytical skills that I acquired through the program on a daily basis."

- Gavin Kaisaris, BA (Honours), Economics, who went on to complete an MA at Carleton University, and now works as a Policy Analyst at the Canadian Federation of Independent Business.

Job Titles

 Bank Officer (NOC 6235) Bond Trader (NOC 1113) Commodity Industry Analyst (NOC 1113) Consumer Affairs Director (NOC 2262) Cost Analyst (NOC 1122) Demographer (NOC 2161) Economist (NOC 4162) Efficiency Expert (NOC 1122) Financial Planner/Analyst (NOC 1114) Financial Reporter (NOC 5123) Healthcare Administrator (NOC 4165) Industrial/Institutional Buyer (NOC 1225) Industrial Trades Specialist (NOC 4162) 	 Financial Sales Representative (NOC 6235) Retail and Wholesale Trade Manager (NOC 0621) Banking, Credit, and other Investment Managers (NOC 0122) Economic Policy Researcher/Analyst (NOC 4162) Business Management Consultant (NOC 1122) Trader (Foreign Exchange, Mutual Funds, Securities) (NOC 1113) 1,2
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Work Settings

Skills and Characteristics

- Auditing/Accounting Firms
- Community Service Agencies
- Consulting Firms
- Educational Institutions
- Financial Industry
- Government Agencies/Departments
- Health Care Centres
- Insurance Industry
- International Organizations
- Investment Industry
- Media/Publishing/Telecommunications
 Industries
- Non-Governmental Organizations
- Research Institutes
- Securities Industry
- Self Employed
- Trade/ Professional Associations

• Able to simplify abstract concepts

- Analyze and interpret data
- Communicate concisely and effectively
- Critical thinking skills
- Apply literary and information-processing skills

Professional Associations and Other Links

- Bank of Canada <u>http://www.bankofcanada.ca/careers/</u>
- Association of Environmental and Resource Economists https://www.aere.org/
- Econ-Jobs.com https://www.econ-jobs.com/search.php
- Canadian Association for Business Economics https://www.cabe.ca/jmv3/
- The Economic Developers Association of Canada <u>http://edac.ca/category/careers/</u>
- Canadian Economics Association <u>http://www.economics.ca/</u>
- Jobs.Economist.com <u>http://jobs.economist.com/</u>
- Directory of Business and Trade Associations <u>http://www.ic.gc.ca/Intro.html</u>
- Canadian Agricultural Economics Society <u>https://caes-scae.ca</u>
- Canadian Law and Economics Association <u>https://www.canlecon.org/</u>

This document is intended to provide a starting point for your career research. For more information about UWinnipeg's Economics program, visit the <u>Department of Economics website</u> and the <u>Economics Fact</u> <u>Sheet.</u>

Students are encouraged to <u>schedule an appointment with an Academic and Career Advisor</u> for assistance with career planning.

2 Government of Canada. "Economics, General (45.0601), Bachelor's degree". Job Bank, 24 March 2020, https://www.jobbank.gc.ca/studentdashboard/45.0601/LOS05

¹ The numbers following each job title refer to <u>Canada's National Occupational Classification (NOC) code</u>. Jobs may require additional education or training.