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UWindsor Life

Highlights and Skills

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Economics (BA) **GG** From micro- to macroeconomics, analyze how inflation, employment rates, and other phenomena affect our lives. Acquire a strong education related to government, policy, decision-making, society and business. Seize research opportunities and the chance to combine your studies with other disciplines. Take this program and pursue a law degree or go on to grad school for an MBA.

MIN. AVG.* 70% ONTARIO COURSE REQUIREMENTS ENG4U, MHF4U are required. MCV4U and MDM4U are strongly recommended. A minimum 70% average of all attempted science and math courses is also required.

Economics (BSc) (I) Corner the market on economics education with this bachelor of science program. Learn the effects of deficits and spending cuts, and how the actions of individuals, firms and public agencies affect the overall economy. How do we reduce the unemployment rate? How does globalization affect the Canadian economy? You'll be able to answer these questions and more. Although it is a bit more technical than our Economics BA program, you'll have the flexibility to personalize your education, combine it with other programs and have research opportunities.

MIN. AVG.* 70% ONTARIO COURSE REQUIREMENTS ENG4U, MHF4U are required. MCV4U and MDM4U are strongly recommended. A minimum 70% average of all attempted science and math courses is also required.

Interdisciplinary Arts and Science (1) If high achievement and diverse academic pursuits are in your DNA, this elite program is for you. It's for students who want to develop knowledge and skills in the sciences, arts, humanities and social sciences. Blend your interests - drama with economics or economics with music. You can tailor your program to match your interests and career aspirations.

MIN. AVG.* 80% ONTARIO COURSE REQUIREMENTS ENG4U, MHF4U, and two from SBI4U, SCH4U, or SPH4U. MCV4U is strongly recommended.

Business Administration and

Economics (1) Take a deep dive into business and economics with this combined program. You'll learn the underlying issues that impact global finances and be able to make sound business decisions based on resources available at any given time. You'll be prepared to jump into the world of government and public policy analysis, commercial banking, financial advising or economic research.

MIN. AVG.* 73% ONTARIO COURSE REQUIREMENTS ENG4U and MHF4U are required. MCV4U is strongly recommended. A minimum grade of 70% in at least one grade 12 U math course (or equivalent) is also normally

FUNCTIONAL KNOWLEDGE

- Using relevant statistical methods to understand economic issues, identify patterns, and forecast trends
- Understanding and predicting the ways in which valuable human, natural, and abstract resources are distributed, shared, and protected
- · Arguing for evidence-based, optimal, highefficiency resource allocation practices
- Internalizing significant economic principles, including supply and demand, market potential, and growth
- · Collecting useful statistical data using selfdesigned and selected methods, including surveys
- Applying existing economic behavioural models to real-world situations and interpreting findings





⑤ General − 3-year program **⑤** Honours − 4-year program **⑥** Thesis available **⑥** Combined Honours programs available * Minimum grade point average for admission to program. A higher average may be required.

Build your Skills and Experience

Your UWindsor experience is more than attending classes. It is a combination of academics, co-curricular activities, and extracurricular involvement. By making the most of all three elements of your university experience, you will maximize your opportunities to build your skills, broaden your personal network, and clarify your long term academic and career goals.



Courses of study specific to each program



CO-CURRICULAR

Activities and experiences that complement coursework (Outstanding Scholars, peer mentoring, VIP)



EXTRACURRICULAR

Activities falling outside the scope of set curriculum (Part-time job, clubs, volunteering, athletics)

Career Planning Cycle

Intentional career planning will help you prepare for your next step after graduation and beyond. It is a fluid, dynamic, and lifelong process. You can move on or return to an earlier stage in the cycle at any time.



Explore Opportunities Using This Chart

Explore a selection of opportunities recommended for students in your program. This chart shows some of your many options – you don't have to do everything on it or limit yourself to it. Engage in opportunities from each of the three categories to set yourself up for success.

High-Impact Practice

A HIP is an enriching educational experience that can be life-changing and often includes learning outside of the classroom while encouraging meaningful interaction and collaboration, such as:

- Co-op, internship or field experiences
- Research with faculty
- Culminating senior experience
- Capstone courses
- Service-learning
- Learning communities
- Study abroad

First Year

- Take required courses including Introduction to Economics I and II
- Review degree course requirements for all years of study and mesh them with professional or graduate school aspirations
- Participate in our PASS program during Welcome Week to be coached on the skills necessary to be successful as a Faculty of Science student
- Visit **Economics Help Centre** to address any questions regarding your courses
- Meet with an academic advisor in the Department of Economics
- Receive peer mentorship from an upper-year **MySci** advisor

Middle Years

- Take required courses and check in with academic advisor to make sure you are on the right path
- Look into completing an undergraduate research project in final year
- Consider completing **Certificate in Business Administration**
- Seek out courses that offer experiential learning
- Continue taking courses required as preparation for professional schools
- Study for and take professional school admission tests of interest
- Consider declaring a minor and/or specialization

Final Year

- Meet with an academic advisor to go over graduation requirements
- Complete all required courses for your degree
- Apply to graduate through **UWinsite Student Portal**
- Undertake an undergraduate research project with a faculty member
- Take a course such as the **Senior Research Workshop** to Apply functional knowledge from degree
- Apply your knowledge through a field work course to optimize your senior experience

ExperienceWays To Get Involved

Academics

Your Coursework





- Begin the process of becoming a **LEAD Medallion Scholar** and participate in credit and volunteer activities
- Be *Engaged* by volunteering in a lab to help with research for professors and graduate students
- *Discover* research opportunities as part of the **Outstanding**Scholars program
- Join the **USci Network** to take part in collaborative and integrative science experiences
- Join a club like the **Economics Society, Students Offering Support** or **Science Society**
- Participate in the **Bystander Initiative** workshop to gain skills that will help you be an effective and supportive ally to prevent sexual assault on campus
- Apply for co-curricular experience such as VIP Community Service Learning

- Apply your knowledge through a summer research assistant or teaching assistant position within the Economics Department
- Participate in the **UWill Discover** undergraduate research conference
- Gain a **Global Perspective of Science (GPS)** through an international exchange or by studying abroad **P**
- Be *Engaged* through service learning opportunities with **Let's Talk Science** and **Science Rendezvous**
- Expand your skills by taking on a summer, part-time or volunteer position
- Gain valuable *Leadership* skills through roles within a club or society

- Join a professional association in your field such as the Canadian Economics Association or Canadian Association for Business Economics
- Take part in the **Economics Research Seminar Series**
- Conduct field research with a faculty member
- Become a tutor for **Students Offering Support (SOS)**
- Become a **MySci** advisor to provide academic support and mentorship for first-year students
- Complete **LEAD Medallion Scholars** in two areas for Bronze, three areas for Silver, or four areas for Gold in accordance with *Leadership, Engagement, Application, Discover*

Career Plan Ahead For

What's Next



- Start planning your career by making a list of things you enjoy, your skills and areas where you excel
- Meet with a career advisor in Career Development and Experiential Learning (CDEL) for help developing a plan for your future years
- Consider a **Career Exploration Program** appointment to help you identify possible career paths
- Get involved with a part-time job, volunteer opportunity, campus group, or research assistantship
- Attend CDEL workshops to learn how to find a summer or part-time job and write a university-level resumé
- Chat with an advisor during **CDEL's Drop-In** hours to get answers to your career and job search questions

- Research career fields and occupations with the help of a CDEL career advisor
- Explore opportunities and meet potential employers by participating in **Job Shadow Experience**, job fairs, and industry networking events
- Explore further educational opportunities by attending the **Graduate and Professional Schools Fair** and researching admission requirements for programs that interest you
- Create a LinkedIn profile and have it critiqued by CDEL
- Search job postings to learn what skills, knowledge, and credentials you will need for potential careers
- Take part in informational interviews and join online communities like **LinkedIn** and **Ten Thousand Coffees** to connect with people in your target profession or industry

- Meet with CDEL to prepare application documents like a resumé, cover letter, CV, or personal statement for jobs and education programs you are applying to
- Attend **CDEL's workshops** on interview skills and job search strategies
- Set up a mock interview with a career advisor for professional school or job applications
- Take part in recruitment events and job fairs hosted by CDEL and other organizations
- Compose a portfolio of relevant academic and work experience
- Explore professional development opportunities through **Continuing Education**
- If you are considering applying to graduate or professional school, be aware of early application deadlines

Life After Graduation

Number of Graduates

94% Employment rate of graduates

Employment rate of graduates 2 years following degree completion (OUGS Social Sciences, 2019)

Career Tracks*

Accountant Actuary Administrative officer Business analyst Claims adjuster Consultant Data administrator Data entry clerk

Data Scientist Development analyst Financial advisor Financial analyst Human resources manager Insurance broker Investment advisor Journalist

Lawyer Marketing manager Mortgage broker Operations director Policy advisor Portfolio manager Professor Project manager

Public official Real estate broker Research and development Stockbroker Teacher

* Additional education and/or training required for some of the above careers.



Common Sectors for Graduates

- · Academia and research
- Advertising and marketing
- · Banking/financial services sector
- · Business and management

- Education
- Human resources
- Government
- Law

Career-Readiness Competencies













- Research undergraduate scholarships and bursaries through the Student Awards and Financial Aid Office
- Visit Leddy Library and the Writing Support Desk for help with academic assignments
- Check out the **Bounce Back** program designed to improve academic performance as well as decrease feelings of stress and anxiety through both effective learning strategies and life skills acquisition
- Build leadership skills and find leadership opportunities at the Leadership Hub
- Get advice and support about your academic status by making an appointment with **Central Academic Advising**
- Seek out assistance with academic accommodation from Student Accessibility Services
- Discover ways to get involved on campus through the Student Success and Leadership Centre
- Broaden your cultural awareness through the International Student Centre and Student Exchange Office

- Look into the **Ignite: Work Study** program for on-campus employment
- Get assistance developing your career plan and job search skills from Career Development and Experiential Learning
- Develop your entrepreneurial skills and learn how to start your own business at EPICentre
- Find support for Indigenous learners and broaden your understanding of Indigenous culture by visiting the Aboriginal Education Centre -Turtle Island
- Tend to your health and wellness with support from Student Health Services, the Wellness Outreach Office and Lancer Recreation
- Receive confidential mental health counselling delivered by trained professionals at the Student Counselling Centre
- Prevent.Resist.Support. Seek personal support or learn more about sexual violence prevention and resistance education through the Office of Sexual Violence Prevention, Resistance & Support
- Explore professional development opportunities through Continuing Education



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