



EXPERIENCE MAP

Economics



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University
of Windsor

ECONOMICS (BSc)

ECONOMICS (BA)

INTERDISCIPLINARY ARTS AND SCIENCE

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Skills and Knowledge of Economics Graduates

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Economics – Learn how the actions of individuals, firms and public agencies ultimately determine the direction of the overall economy. Acquire the tools necessary to answer such important economic questions as: how do we reduce Canada's unemployment rate; what are the effects of government deficits and spending cuts; and what are the effects of globalization on the Canadian economy? A great foundation for a career in finance, banking, forecasting stockbroking or public policy analysis, among others.

Interdisciplinary Arts and Science – If you're a highly motivated student who wants knowledge and skills that will familiarize you with the humanities, social sciences and natural sciences, this elite program is for you. Design your program to match your interests and career aspirations. From here, consider a master's program, professional school (medicine, optometry, dentistry, occupational therapy, naturopathic medicine, law, MBA, pharmacy), or teaching (with additional studies).

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, high-efficiency resource allocation practices
- Internalizing significant economic principles, including supply and demand, market potential, and growth
- Collecting useful statistical data using self-designed and selected methods, including surveys
- Applying existing economic behavioural models to real-world situations and interpreting findings

Degree Title / Program	Minimum Average	Admission Requirements
ECONOMICS	70%	ENG. required. ADV. FUNC required for Honours Economics. CALC. VEC. and DATA M. are strongly recommended for Honours Economics. 70% Science/Math average for BSc Economics, excluding DATA M.



- Courses of study specific to each program
- Activities and experiences that complement coursework (Outstanding Scholars, peer mentoring, VIP)
- Activities falling outside of the scope of set curriculum (Part-time job, clubs, volunteering, athletics)

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.

Career Planning Guide

Intentional career planning will help you prepare for your next step after graduation. It is a fluid, dynamic, and continuous process, meaning you can move on or return to an earlier stage at any time. You can even work through simultaneous cycles, like one for your long-term dream job and another for a summer job.



Explore Opportunities Using This Guide

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:

- **Academics**
 - Your coursework
- **Experience**
 - Ways to get involved
- **Career**
 - Plan ahead for what’s next

HIP High-Impact Practice (HIP)

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	Middle Years	Final Year
Academics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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 HIP• Consider completing Certificate in Business Administration• Seek out courses that offer experiential learning HIP• 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Meet with an academic advisor to go over graduation requirements• Complete all required courses for your degree• Apply to graduate through MyUWindsor Portal• Undertake an undergraduate research project with faculty member HIP• Take a course such as the Senior Research Workshop to <i>Apply</i> functional knowledge from degree• <i>Apply</i> your knowledge through a field work course to optimize your senior experience HIP
Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Begin the process of becoming a LEAD Medallion Scholar and participate in credit and volunteer activities HIP• Apply for a co-curricular experience such as VIP HIP• Be <i>Engaged</i> by volunteering in a lab to help with research for professors and graduate students HIP• <i>Discover</i> research opportunities as part of the Outstanding Scholars program HIP• 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Apply</i> your knowledge through a summer research assistant or teaching assistant position within the Economics Department HIP• Participate in the UWill Discover undergraduate research conference HIP• Gain a Global Perspective of Science (GPS) through an international exchange or by studying abroad HIP• Be <i>Engaged</i> through service learning opportunities with Let’s Talk Science and Science Rendezvous HIP• Expand your skills by taking on a summer, part-time or volunteer position• Gain valuable <i>Leadership</i> skills through roles within a club or society	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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 faculty member HIP• Become a tutor for Students Offering Support (SOS) HIP• 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 <i>Leadership, Engagement, Application, Discover</i> HIP
Career	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Create lists of things that you enjoy, areas in which you excel, and your skills• Meet with a career advisor in Career Development and Experiential Learning (CDEL) for help developing a plan for your future years• Consider a career assessment workshop or 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 resumé and cover letter• Drop in to meet with one of CDEL’s peer advisors to get answers to your career and job search questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Research career fields and occupations with the help of a CDEL career advisor• Explore opportunities and meet employers through job fairs and employer networking events• Explore further educational opportunities by attending the Graduate and Professional Schools Fair and researching admission requirements for programs you are interested in• Attend CDEL’s Using Social Media to Leverage Your Career workshop• Create a LinkedIn profile and have it critiqued• Search job postings to learn what skills, knowledge, and credentials you will need for potential careers• If you are considering applying to graduate or professional school, be aware of early application deadlines	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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 an Interview Skills Workshop and Job Search Tips Workshop• Use InterviewStream to practice your interview skills online• Set up an in-person mock interview with a career advisor for professional school or job applications• Meet employers at the annual job fair in January• Compose a portfolio of relevant academic and work experience

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Life After Graduation

95.7%

Employment rate of graduates
2 years following degree completion

(OUGS Social Sciences, 2014)

37

Number of Economics
Graduates (2017)



COMMON INDUSTRIES FOR ECONOMICS GRADUATES

- Academia and research
- Advertising and marketing
- Banking/financial services sector
- Business and management
- Education
- Human resources
- Government
- Law

CAREER TRACKS*

Accountant
Actuary
Administrative officer
Business analyst
Claims adjuster
Consultant
Data administrator

Data entry clerk
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.

CAREER-READINESS COMPETENCIES



Critical Thinking and Problem Solving

Using strategic and creative thinking to make decisions and evaluate solutions



Teamwork and Collaboration

Working as a productive member of a group and collaborating with others to achieve set goals



Professionalism and Work Ethic

Demonstrating personal management practices and a high level of integrity and ethical behaviour



Communication

Appropriate and effective articulation of ideas and information to a range of audiences



Campus Resources

- Research scholarships and bursaries through the **Student Awards and Financial Aid Office**
- Visit **Leddy Library** and the **Writing Support Desk** for help with academic assignments
- Explore mentorship opportunities through the **Connecting4Success (C4S)** and **Bounce Back** programs
- Improve study skills through the **Skills to Enhance Personal Success (STEPS)** program
- Get advice and support about your academic status by making an appointment with **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**
- Look into the **Ignite: Work Study** program for on-campus employment opportunities
- Apply to **VIP** to get involved in a community service learning experience
- Get assistance developing your career plan and job search skills from **Career Development and Experiential Learning**
- Consult with the **EPICentre** if you are interested in starting your own business
- Broaden your cultural awareness through the **International Student Centre** and **Student Exchange Office**
- Find support for Indigenous learners and broaden your understanding of Indigenous culture by visiting **Turtle Island**
- Tend to your health and wellness with support from **Student Health Services** and **Lancer Recreation**
- Receive confidential mental health counselling delivered by trained professionals at the **Student Counselling Centre**
- Seek personal support or learn more about sexual violence education through the **Sexual Misconduct Response and Prevention Office**

Student Recruitment

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