A successful and impactful career in economics today requires much more than knowledge of economics; it requires that we go beyond the “what” and have the ability to answer the big questions of “what then?” That’s why our program is designed to not only provide knowledge of economics but an understanding of the social science that gives that knowledge critical context in the real world. While the focus of an economics education is centered on the production, distribution, and consumption of goods and services, our program takes pride in being well-rounded — a fitting approach to a discipline with deep roots in the liberal arts. Yes, you’ll learn about business analysis, economic forecasting, and probability theory. You’ll also hone your writing skills, enhance your reading and listening capabilities, and develop your ability to think creatively — in short, you’ll be in demand after you graduate.

**B.A. Economics**

The economics major serves as the core program of the Department of Economics. The major prepares students for entry into a profession, as well as for graduate work in economics, business, or related disciplines.

**B.A. Business Economics**

The business economics major is designed for the student who expects to be working in the business or government sectors of the economy but wishes to take advantage of liberal arts courses in philosophy, humanities, and social sciences to acquire the flexibility necessary to master new information and to succeed in new situations. This concentration differs from the economics major in the breadth of knowledge required of functional business fields and in areas of application of economic analysis.

**B.S. Quantitative Economics — STEM**

The quantitative economics major allows students to develop strong quantitative skills within the context of economics and is an ideal course of study for the student who plans to pursue graduate work in economics, business, or other areas in the social sciences. It also prepares students for immediate employment in careers requiring economic research.

**Labor-Management Relations Program**

The Labor-Management Relations Program consists of six required courses and three elective courses. The objectives of the program include gaining an insight into the relationship that exists among workers, unions, and employers at the workplace and developing an appreciation of the unique contributions that labor and management make under the American enterprise system.

**Minor**

Students who wish to complement another major area of study with economics knowledge may minor in economics by completing six courses in the discipline, including Principles of Economics Micro and Macro along with both Microeconomic and Macroeconomic Analysis and a choice of any other two economics courses.
Students are encouraged to take advantage of the engaged learning opportunities that are offered through our program, including research with faculty, internships, participation in the Economics Club, and membership in the PC chapter of Omicron Delta Epsilon, the International Honor Society in Economics.

Our distinguished faculty members have expertise in areas ranging from health economics to international finance. They hold Ph.D.s from institutions that include NYU, Yale, Oxford, and Columbia; they have earned prestigious fellowships in economics as well as awards for excellence in teaching; and they have demonstrated expertise in their fields through published works in scholarly journals and presentations at national and international conferences.

Selected Places of Employment
AIG • American Mutual Insurance • Bank of America
Baystate Financial • Brown Brothers Harriman
Business Intelligence Advisors • Chicago Cubs
Cintas • Cisco • Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Dana-Farber • Edward Jones
Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation
Federal Trade Commission • Fidelity Investments
Goldman Sachs • The Hartford • Liberty Mutual
Merrill Lynch • Northwestern Mutual • Oracle
PwC • Raytheon Technologies • Ross Stores, Inc.
Santander • State Street • Travelers Insurance
UBS • Wayfair • Wells Fargo

Selected Graduate Schools
Boston College • London School of Economics
Tulane University Law School • Clemson University
New England Law • University of Chicago
Duke University • Northeastern University
University of Massachusetts Boston
Fordham University • Providence College
University of Massachusetts Lowell
George Mason University • Southern Methodist University
University of Minnesota, Twin Cities
Georgetown University • St. Joseph University
University of Notre Dame • Johns Hopkins University
Syracuse University College of Law • University of Rhode Island

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