



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.

Explore
Courses
of Study
and More





ENGAGED LEARNING AND POST-GRADUATE OUTCOMES

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 Cancer Institute • Edward Jones
FDIC • Federal Trade Commission
Fidelity Investments • Goldman Sachs • Liberty Mutual
Merrill Lynch • Northwestern Mutual • Oracle
PwC • Raytheon Technologies • Ross Stores, Inc.
Santander • State Street • The Hartford
Travelers Insurance • UBS • Wayfair • Wells Fargo

Selected Graduate Schools

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

96%

of **economics graduates** are employed or attending graduate school

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