

Economics

What determines the prices of goods and services? How do individuals decide how much to spend and save? How can government policies help reduce environmental pollution? These are questions we all face every day. Economics is our attempt to analyze and understand them. Often seen as being all about money, at its more basic level, economics is concerned with the material well-being of human societies.

TOP 5 Reasons to study Economics

- 1 Study in one of the top research departments in Canada.
- 2 Develop research, analytical, leadership, and creative thinking skills.
- 3 Learn how to address complex local, national, and international economic problems.
- 4 Learn how to apply appropriate quantitative methods to a range of economic issues.
- 5 Develop a deeper understanding of the economy and the world around you.

Alumni Story

David Card earned his BAH in Economics at Queen's University. He has made fundamental research contributions on the impacts of immigration on labor market wages, unemployment, job training, and inequality. Currently, he is the director at the National Bureau of Economic Research and a professor in California. Card was the co-recipient of the IZA Prize in Labor Economics, a recipient of the American Economic Association's John Bates Clark Medal, and co-recipient of the 2021 Nobel Memorial Prize in Economic Sciences.

TOP ALUMNI JOBS

6% of alumni work in
LAW

10% of alumni work in
GOVERNMENT

10% of alumni work in
EDUCATION

40% of alumni work in
BANKING &
INVESTMENT

Add a
Certificate

Data Analytics

Disability and
Physical Activity

Geographic
Information Science

Indigenous
Languages and
Cultures

International
Studies

Sexual and Gender
Diversity

Urban Planning
Studies

2024-25 Plan Thresholds

Thresholds are made on a competitive basis and are updated annually. To see the thresholds for all programs as well as the latest information, please visit quartsci.com/planselection.

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Economics MAJOR MAP

BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONOURS): MAJOR, JOINT HONOURS, MINOR



Knowledge & Workplace Skills

A degree in Economics can equip you with:

- Technical skills for collecting economic data and applying statistical analysis
- Understand the impact of policies, interest rates, productivity, savings, investment, and other economic factors on countries, firms, and individuals
- Theoretical frameworks in micro and macroeconomics and econometrics
- Proficiency in mathematics
- Oral and written communication to analyze empirical and theoretical content, create technical and non-technical reports, and present information to a group
- Research skills to analyze information, test hypotheses, impose intellectual discipline, and isolate relevant evidence
- Logical reasoning to systematically approach complex problems, identify important assumptions, and focus on causal factors

Career Possibilities

A degree in Economics can take your career in many directions. Many students choose to continue their academic inquiry with a Master's. Our students are equipped with a strong foundation for careers in:

- Accounting
- Business administration
- Credit management
- Finance
- Insurance
- Investment analysis
- Monetary/fiscal policy
- Risk management
- Strategic Planning

Taking time to explore career options, build experience and network can help you have a smooth transition to the world of work after graduation.

How to use this map

Use the 5 rows of the map to explore possibilities and plan for success in the five overlapping areas of career and academics. The map just offers suggestions – you don't have to do it all! To make your own custom map, use the [My Major Map](#) tool.

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Get started thinking about the future now – where do you want to go after your degree? Having tentative goals (like careers or grad school) while working through your degree can help with short-term decisions about courses and experiences, but also help you keep motivated for success.

Get the help you need

Queen's provides you with a broad range of support services from your first point of contact with the university through to graduation. At Queen's, you are never alone. We have many offices dedicated to helping you learn, think and do.

Ranging from help with academics and careers, to physical, emotional, or spiritual resources – our welcoming living and learning environment offers the programs and services you need to be successful, both academically and personally. Queen's wants you to succeed! Check out the [Student Affairs website](#) for available resources.



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START DATES in May, September, or January
POSITIONS are paid and full-time
WORK TERMS are 12-16 months long

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

- Graduate with a "Professional Internship" degree
- Learn about current advances, practices and technologies in business and industry.
- Test drive a career, earn a competitive salary, and get real world experience.

ELIGIBILITY

- 2nd or 3rd Year Students
- Minimum GPA of 1.9

WHY QUIP?

- Gain a year of career-related work experience.
- Build network connections.
- Receive support from Queen's staff in job search and during internship.

SAMPLE PAST INTERNSHIPS



For more information, contact quip@queensu.ca or visit the [Program Website](#).

Why study in Kingston?

Since 1841, our community has been more than a collection of bright minds – Queen's has attracted students with an ambitious spirit. Queen's has the highest retention rates, the highest graduation rates, and one of the highest employment rates among recent graduates. We are a research intensive university focused on the undergraduate experience. The BBC has identified Kingston as one of the GREATEST UNIVERSITY TOWNS in the world – and it is often awarded the safest city in Canada. It is a university city at the core; just a quick drive to Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa and even New York. A university with more clubs per capita than any other university in Canada, and a city with more restaurants per capita than any other city in North America – you will have the experience of a lifetime at Queen's – and graduate with a degree that is globally recognized among the best.

We're closer than you think

