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.

Reasons to study Economics

- 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.
- 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. He has made fundamental research contributions on the impacts of immigration on labour market wages, unemployment, job training, and inequality. Currently 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, as well as a recipient of the American Economic Association's John Bates Clark Prize.

TOP ALUMNI JOBS

6 % of alumni work in LAW

10% of alumni work in GOVERNMENT

10% of alumni work in EDUCATION

of alumni work in BANKING & INVESTMENT

2023-24 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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Entrepreneurship, Innovation and Creativity

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Geographic Information Science

Global Action and Engagement

Indigenous Languages and Cultures

International Studies

Media Studies

Sexual and Gender Diversity

Urban Planning Studies

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Economics MAJOR MAP

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



	1ST YEAR	2ND YEAR	3RD YEAR	4TH OR FINAL YEAR
GET THE COURSES YOU NEED	In first year you will have the chance to explore the foundations of Economics along with some electives. Attend Majors Night in the Winter term to learn more about Plan options. Interested in getting a head start in learning and working in a digital world? Take ASCX 150 and develop future-ready skills!	Start going deeper into the discipline of Economics, while considering a minor and/ or certificate such as International Studies. Learn more about Certificates and Internship options. Want to make sure your academics are where you want them to be? Visit SASS (Student Academic Support Services) and the Writing Centre for some help. Develop your entrepreneurial skills by participating in the Dean's Changemaker Challenge (ASCX 200/300).	A chance to start grouping courses in areas of interest, or to keep it more general and explore many areas of Economics. Meet with an Academic Advisor to make sure you are on track and have planned out your courses for next year.	In fourth year you will have the chance to participate in research-based courses that can lead to Graduate School or to your future career path. Make sure to finish up all your courses for your major and your optional minor and/or certificate(s). Interested in working on a real-world problem with an actual client? Take ASCX 400 and develop your consulting and project-management skills.
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SET RELEVANT EXPERIENCE	Join teams or clubs on campus such as Queen's Capital, and the Queen's Project on International Development (QPID). See the AMS Clubs Directory or the Queen's Get Involved page for more ideas.	Look into <u>summer jobs</u> by talking to the department or Career Services about work through <u>SWEP</u> or <u>Work-Study</u> . Take more responsibility within different extracurriculars, such as <u>Queen's Model Parliament</u> . ECON majors are often found in the top positions in ASUS and the AMS.	If interested, apply for an <u>Undergraduate</u> <u>Student Summer Research Fellowship (USSRF)</u> . Consider applying to do a 12-16 month <u>QUIP</u> <u>internship</u> between your third and fourth year or entrepreneurial opportunities via programs like the <u>Queen's Innovation Connector</u> <u>Summer Initiative (QICSI)</u> .	About two-thirds of ECON graduates find jobs in the public service or financial sector Investigate internships or full-time jobs related to careers of interest. Assess what experience you're lacking and fill in gaps with volunteering, clubs, or internships – check out the Career Services skills workshop for help.
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ONNECTED VITH THE OMMUNITY	Volunteer on or off-campus with different community organizations, such as the <u>Queen's</u> <u>International Affairs Association (QIAA)</u> .	Get involved with the Departmental Student Council (DSC) as a class representative, year representative, or on the executive team. Go to workshops and conferences hosted by the Economics Department.	Do targeted networking with alumni working in careers of interest by joining the LinkedIn group Queen's Connects. Check out Career Services networking workshops. Connect with professors at social and academic events hosted by the DSC.	Consider joining professional associations like the Canadian Economics Association, the Canadian Association for Business and Economics, or the Canadian Bankers Association. Join groups on LinkedIn reflecting specific careers or topics of interest in Economics.
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ET THINKING LOBALLY	Prepare for work or studies in a multi-cultural environment by taking QUIC's Intercultural Awareness Certificate, and research possible immigration regulations. Speak to a QUIC advisor to get involved in their programs, events, and training opportunities.	Is an exchange in your future? Start thinking about where you would like to study abroad. Apply in January for a third year exchange through the International Programs Office.	Build your intercultural competence by getting involved with other cultures or by practicing or improving your language skills.	International students interested in staying in Canada can speak with an International Student Advisor.
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GET READY FOR LIFE AFTER GRADUATION	Grappling with program decisions? Go to <u>Majors</u> <u>Night</u> or get some help <u>wondering about career</u> <u>options</u> from Career Services.	Explore different careers of interest in the Career Services Resource Area. For more information check out Career Cruising or by finding and connecting with alumni on LinkedIn.	Start focusing on areas of interest. Research education requirements for careers of interest. If needed, prepare to take any required tests (like the LSAT or GMAT) and get help thinking about Grad School from Career Services.	Apply to jobs or future education, or make plans for other adventures. Get help from Career Services with job searching, resumes, interviews, Grad School applications, or other decisions. Apply in the fall for SSHRC and OGS scholarships.

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.

What will I learn?

A degree in Economics can equip you with:

- Technical skills for collecting economic data and applying statistical analysis and modelling techniques
- 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

Where can I go?

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

Apprenticeship: Kingston (QCA:K).

- 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.

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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, vou 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



- 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



- 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?

For 175 years, 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

than you think 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 - vou will have London / 7 hrs CANADA Oueen's the experience of a Beijing / 15 hrs lifetime at Queen's Dubai / 14 hr. - and graduate Vancouver / 5 hrs Calgary / 4 hrs with a degree Halifax / 2 hrs that is globally San Francisco / 5.5 hrs Kingston recognized Denver/3 hrs among New York / 1.5 hrs UNITED the best. STATES Dallas / 3.5 hrs Atlanta / 2 hrs

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