

What Can I Do With This **Ohio State** Major?

Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts

Economics

College of Arts and Sciences

Economists develop theories to explain how the components of the economy like individual people, companies, and the government operate and interact with one another. They then gather data to estimate the relationships among the various aspects of the economy. Based on these analyses, economists predict how people and companies will respond to changes in policies and external forces. These predictions, in turn, help guide private and public decision-makers to form appropriate policies. The demand for economics majors is strong in the private sector and government. Economics is also great preparation for graduate school, whether you're leaning toward business, law, public policy, or want to become an economist. ⁱ The department of Economics offers a Bachelor of Arts and a Bachelor of Science. The BS program has a stronger quantitative component that is valuable preparation for graduate work in economics or for more analytical areas of government and business. The BA is less quantitative and is broader. ⁱⁱ

Career Areas/Job Titles:

Management and Industry

Data Collector
Consultant
Financial Analyst
Banking Branch Manager
Lending Specialist
Risk Management Specialist
Sales Manager
Loss Control Specialist

Banker
Trust Service Provider
Economic Forecaster
Economic Planner

Communication and Media

Underwriter
Actuarial Scientist

Education

K- 12 Teacher
Professor
Researcher

Government/Politics

Research Analyst
Policy Advisor
Lawyer

**Some careers may require licensure, certification, or further education. Talk to an advisor about specific requirements.*

Transferable Skills:

Analytical/Critical Thinking
Basic Computer Skills
Mathematics
Persuasion
Provide/Respond to Feedback
Speaking Effectively
Technical Writing
Use Technology Effectively
Teamwork

Conceptualizing
Defining Needs
Developing Evaluation
Strategies
Experimental Design
Forecasting/Predicting
Gathering Information
Identifying Problems
Research Skills

Adaptability/Flexibility
Attention to Detail
Judgment & Decision Making
Administrative Skills
Delegating Tasks
Organization Skills
Strategic Planning/Visioning
Multi-tasking
Problem Solving

**This is not an extensive list of transferable skills. See larger list of skills you might develop here:
<http://careerconnection.osu.edu/posts/documents/transferable-and-grad-skills.doc>*

Professional Links:

American Economic Association: <http://www.vanderbilt.edu/AEA/>

International Economic Development Council: <http://www.iedconline.org/>

Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management: <http://www.appam.org/>