WHAT CAN I DO WITH A BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN ECONOMICS?

Facts about an Economics degree:

- Training in economics gives you skills that are useful in a variety of settings because economic issues are important in virtually every occupation.
- The economics degree is flexible and there are many career paths available. Choose a minor carefully. Some students may be well-advised to augment their studies with business courses.
- Some occupations will require further certification. For example, securities sales representatives require completion of the Canadian Securities course offered by the Canadian Securities Institute.

SKILLS POSSESSED BY ECONOMICS GRADUATES

Many employers are interested in the skills which economics majors tend to possess. These include:

- the ability to reason systematically, to solve problems, and to describe thoughts to others
- skills in gathering data and in employing various data analysis techniques
- skills in writing clear, concise technical reports and essays
- skills in critical thinking and in quantitative analysis
- ability to recognize behavior in relation to work, production, distribution and consumption

SAMPLE JOB POSTINGS FOR ECONOMICS GRADUATES

Economist (consider an honours degree, minimally)

Financial/Investment Analyst

Business Development Officer

Research Associate, Financial

Services

Financial Planner

Securities Agent

Mortgage Broker

Foreign Service Officer/Trade

Commissioner

Insurance Underwriter

Market Research Analyst/Coder

Customs Broker

Loans Officer

Employment Insurance Agent

Insurance Adjuster

Market Analyst

Insurance Broker

Field Risk Analyst

Chartered Life Underwriter

Sales Representative

Credit Officer

Community Economic

Development Officer

Employment Counsellor/Job

Developer

Customer Service Representative -

Financial Services

Payroll and Benefits Clerk

Financial Advisor

Loss Prevention Consultant

Data Analyst

International Development

Officer

Interested in economics? Consider these occupational options, as well.

Lawyer

Natural Resource Manager

Urban and Regional Planner

Accountant

Policy Analyst

University Professor

Areas of Employment

Banks / credit unions / caisse populaires Statistical research firms

Labour unions Management consulting firms

Analysis / forecasting firms Trust companies

Stock exchanges Insurance companies

International trade companies Real estate agencies/developers

Manufacturing firms Transportation companies

Environmental protection agencies Investment dealers
Government departments (all levels) Department stores
Non-governmental organizations (NGO's) Market research firms

Utilities and resource-based companies Community economic development

organizations

Check Out These Websites for More Information!

www.umanitoba.ca/student/careerservices - Click on "Job Postings and Volunteer Opportunities" and register as a **Student** to view current job postings

The National Occupational Classification

www23.hrdc-drhc.gc.ca

Alberta Learning Information Service

www.alis.gov.ab.ca/

Economics Majors (University of Calgary)

www.ucalgary.ca/counselling/careerdevelopment/careerpossibilities/economics

Career View (Victoria University of Wellington)

www.victoria.ac.nz/st_services/careers/resources/career_publications/career_view/economics_and_finance.pdf

What Can I Do With my Studies in Economics (University of Ottawa)

www.sass.uottawa.ca/careers/studies/socialscience/economics.php

What Can I Do With my Studies in Economics (McGill University)

www.mcgill.ca/files/caps/economics.pdf

Careers by Major - Economics (from the University of Toronto - Mississauga)

www.utm.utoronto.ca/careers/cbm/economics.html

Canadian Association for Business Economics

www.cabe.ca/



For more information on occupational, educational and employment options, please drop by Career Services, 474 University Centre, 474-9456 UNIVERSITY

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