



# **Economics and Business Economics**

Economics is the study of how society uses its resources - natural, human and man-made. Jobs, wages, the stock market, unemployment, inflation, income inequality and other economic issues affect us all on a daily basis at the individual, community, national and global levels. By studying Economics at UAlbany you will be better able to understand these issues, to address economic problems and to contribute to their resolution.

## Economics and Business Economics Undergraduate Degrees

#### **B.A. in Economics**

Learn about the economic and social problems facing workers, consumers, businesses and governments. You will study the major issues facing our society including unemployment, trade imbalances, the environment, education, health care, migration, poverty, financial crises, inflation and debt. The Bachelor of Arts in Economics program at UAlbany prepares you to participate productively in the economy through careers in business firms, financial institutions, government agencies and non-profit organizations.

#### **B.S. in Economics**

Develop your capabilities in the application of economic and econometric methods with the Bachelor of Science in Economics program at the University at Albany. This program prepares you for careers in the fields of labor, health, banking and finance, international trade and finance, business, public finance, macroeconomic analysis and forecasting and economic development. The B.S. in Economics is ideal if you intend to pursue your professional education beyond the undergraduate level.

#### **Applied Learning**

Gain **work experience** and develop career skills by engaging in an economic internship during your senior year. In the 3-credit internship course you will participate in 150 hours of sponsored activity and complete career-relevant reading and writing assignments. You will also be encouraged to conduct undergraduate research and develop a research project through independent studies. Additionally, you will have the opportunity to pursue honors in economics through the preparation of a senior thesis involving research.

# Economics B.A./B.S. potential job titles include:

- Financial Analyst, corporate or independent
- Economist at a bank or corporation
- Consultant or Advisor on labor matters
- Economic policy maker in government agencies
- Financial Department Leader at a health care provider
- Monetary Director at a nonprofit or non-governmental organization

ALL International Students completing a degree in Economics or Business Economics are able to apply for up to 36 months of F-1 Optional Practical Training (OPT) work authorization.



# **Scholarships**

Undergraduates can receive up to \$18,500 per year for all 4 years of study.

# Business Economics Undergraduate Degree

#### **B.S. in Business Economics**

The Bachelor's in Business Economics program at UAlbany gives you substantial knowledge of economics relevant for careers in business. You'll examine relationships between business practice, public sector resource allocation, market structures, international trade, interest rates, employment and wages, production costs, pricing and more.

With this program you will gain the necessary economics skills, such as forecasting in various markets and analyzing data to prepare you for business decision-making in a complex economy.

### **Applied Learning**

Gain valuable work experience and develop professional skills before you graduate by completing an economics internship during your senior year.

This 150-hour practicum counts as a 3-credit economics elective and requires you to complete related reading and writing assignments in addition to hands-on activities at the organization where you are placed.

Students have completed economics internships in areas such as financial services, real estate, human resources, and policy research. Internships have been in businesses, nonprofit organizations, and government agencies including the NYS Energy Research and Development Authority and the Office of the State Comptroller.

## **Career Outcome**

As a business economics graduate, you'll be prepared to succeed in various careers that use economic analysis to recommend data-based coursetechnologiess of action in marketing, finance, manufacturing, human resources, management, information, product development and other functional areas of business and government.

You can obtain employment in international businesses, financial and banking institutions, consulting services firms, labor relations organizations and government agencies that work with business enterprises.

# Business Economics potential job titles include:

- Financial Analyst
- Business Consultant
- Business Developer
- Market Analyst
- Labor Market Analyst
- Healthcare Analytics Specialist
- Environmental Economist
- Real Estate Analyst
- Data Scientist
- Credit Analyst
- Planner and Consultant for urban, regional and transportation projects.

# Accelerated Undergraduate/Graduate Programs

You can save time and money by beginning your graduate degree coursework while still enrolled as an undergraduate student. Up to 12 academic credits, billed at the undergraduate rate, will count towards both degrees – so you'll complete your combined program in only 5 years and spend less than you would if you completed each program separately. Choose to combine your Economics undergraduate degree with the following graduate programs:

## **M.A. in Economics**

This Master's program provides advanced training in economic analysis for expertise in your chosen concentration area, including finance, economic forecasting, international economics and health.

## **M.S. in Information Science**

This ALA-accredited Master's program covers a broad range of interdisciplinary topics related to library science, information processing, information management and data analysis.

#### **M.P.A in Public Administration and Policy**

This top-ranked Master's program prepares you to help solve complex socioeconomic problems with concentration areas including non-profit management and leadership, public policy, healthcare management, information technology management, public economics and finance and homeland security.

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