



Career Options after **Economics**

the study of factors that influence wealth
www.utsc.utoronto.ca/mgmt
Co-op, Specialist, Major, Minor

What is Economics?

Economics is a discipline that is part of **Management**. Economics examines the market forces of supply and demand; its theories seek to predict and explain the behavior and interaction of all agents involved in a market system. Economics includes the study of how consumers and producers interact, under what circumstances they may fail to function in an optimal fashion and factors that determine/affect economic growth. It provides a strong foundation for careers within public and private enterprises.

Skills of Economics Grads

- Data collection and analysis techniques/tools required for high-level economic analysis
- Interpersonal skills driven by knowledge of economic theory
- Decision-making mechanisms and implementation procedures to promote organizational effectiveness
- Research and analytical skills for effective assessment of policies and systems
- Effectively collect, analyze and integrate multiple forms of information
- Structured thinking and sound/logical judgment to influence change
- Communication skills (oral and written) for professional presentations and reports
- Identify priorities, manage multiple projects and meet deadlines
- Investigate, identify, and deliver strategic/tactical results

What makes Economics at UTSC unique?

The Specialist program provides an excellent background for careers in business, government, law and other professions. The major in economics allows students to the flexibility to have a greater focus Economic Theory and Policy if they so choose.

Entry-Level Jobs for Bachelor Grads

Common employment destinations include:

- Coordinator, Student Development
- Research Assistant
- Policy Analyst
- Assurance/Tax/Audit Associate
- Profit and Loss Analyst
- Consulting/Business Analyst
- Operations Assistant
- Project Assistant/Coordinator
- Portfolio Administrator
- Planning & Analysis Coordinator
- Relationship Manager
- Corporate Development Associate

The Career Directory: www.canadastop100.com/tcd

Graduate & Professional Studies

Popular further education opportunities include:

- Economics - Master & PhD
- Master of Public Policy (MPP)
- Master of Strategic Management
- Master of Business Administration (MBA)
- Master of Human Resource Management (MHRM)
- Chartered Public Accountant (CPA)
- Canadian Securities Course (CSC)

Use LinkedIn!

Attend our LinkedIn workshop to learn about the *Find Alumni* tool for networking!

Economics Grads from UTSC have gone on to:

- BMO (Director, Environmental Sustainability & Compliance)
- INSEAD (Assistant Professor of Strategy)
- Ontario New Democrats (Researcher, Economics and Financial Policy)
- Telus (Product Marketing Specialist)



Examples of Fields that 'Fit' the Skills of Economics Grads

- Finance and Insurance
- Arts, Entertainment and Recreation
- Information and Cultural Industries
- Public Administration
- Health Care and Social Assistance
- Management of Companies
- Educational Services
- Research and Education
- Utilities

Your 4-Year Career Exploration Action Plan

1 Do Your Research

The databases below provide you with details about job prospects, nature of work, educational requirements, working conditions, pay and related career paths:

Career Cruising: Log into cln.utoronto.ca, click on Resources, and click on Career Cruising to be logged in automatically

O*Net: online.onetcenter.org (U.S. site)

Attend our workshop **Discover Your Skills and Career Options**, meet with a Career Counsellor, and use our resources to get to know your skills, values, personality and interests:

www.utsc.utoronto.ca/aacc/get-know-yourself

Use the advice on our tip sheets for gathering info:

www.utsc.utoronto.ca/aacc/tipsheets

- Information Interviews
- Working On-Campus
- Internships
- Volunteering

3 Build Your Network

Explore **Student Clubs** and **Professional Associations** and get involved: volunteer for their events and conferences, and get to know people in your industry of interest. These are your future mentors, supervisors and colleagues!

Economics Students' Organization UTSC - <http://utsc-eso.ca>

Management and Economics Student Association - www.mesa.ca

DECA UTSC - www.decautsc.ca LIVE Competition – <http://live-competition.org>

Management Consulting Club - <http://mcc-utsc.com>

Talent and Growth Services - www.facebook.com/TAGatUTSC

University of Toronto Consulting Association - <http://utconsulting.ca>

Canadian Economics Association - <http://economics.ca> Economic Developers Association - www.edac.ca

Canadian and National Associations for Business Economics - www.cabe.ca - www.nabe.com

Canadian Centre for Ethics and Corporate Policy - www.ethicscentre.ca

Canadian Association of Management Consultants - www.cmc-canada.ca

The Institute of Public Administration of Canada - www.ipac.ca

2 Explore Career Options & Get Experience

Gain exposure to your options in the world of work and make connections while you're a student via campus events and programs listed on cln.utoronto.ca and ccr.utoronto.ca:

- [Extern Job Shadowing](#)
- [In the Field](#)
- [Explore It!](#) (course-based)
- [Partners in Leadership](#) (4th year students)
- [iLead, uLead, weLead](#) (Dep't of Student Life)
- Employer Information Sessions
- Career & Volunteer Fairs
- [Departmental Student Association Events](#)

Apply for [Work Study](#) jobs in CLN in Fall and Spring! You might also find work via www.scsu.ca/jobs.

Find networking opportunities, internship programs and entry-level jobs via websites like www.talentegg.ca and www.charityvillage.ca.

As an upper year student (14+ credits), attend UTSC's [Get Hired Conference](#) and participate in [Jobs for Grads](#).

As a graduate, explore internships and other trainee programs like www.careeredge.ca