Economics

Interested in Economics?

About the Major
An Economics major is probably the most widely underrated but most useful disciplines, for preparing students for careers in the business world as well as graduate study. The exposure to economic analysis (theoretical and empirical) makes Economics majors attractive to many job recruiters and graduate schools because of the exposure to rigorous analytical thinking.

ECON Club
The OU Economics Club seeks to enhance economic knowledge within the OU community through fun and relevant events. Econ Club provides opportunities for the academic, professional, and personal development of its members. We host a weekly speaker series as well as social outings, company information sessions, an annual conference,

Internships
As part of our efforts to prepare our students for a solid career, the Department of Economics has an active internship program with state agencies and other local businesses, such as consulting firms and utility companies. The internship program has given our students exposure to the practical aspects of Economics. Also, some of these internships have turned into permanent positions. Students who participate in an internship can also enroll in 3 hours of directed readings and receive credit for the internship provided they are able to get a professor to supervise their research paper.

Careers
The skills taught to Economics majors provide a solid foundation and preparation for many business occupations. Occupations that attract students with these kinds of skills include consulting firms, commercial banks, oil companies, investment firms and utility companies. Economic majors are also attractive to various branches of the Federal, State and Local governments. These agencies offer extensive employment opportunities for undergraduate Economics majors.

Economics Curriculum
Additionally, as part of the commitment of the Economics Department to the International and Area Studies program, we offer a number of important courses that represent a significant contribution to International and Area Studies majors. In short, our courses provide students with a good foundation in both analytical and quantitative analysis. Economics majors are very well-suited and prepared for advanced degrees in Economics, Business and Law. Many law school representatives believe that Economics is one of the best and most desired pre-law majors because of the analytical training and logical thinking involved in the discipline. The wide range of theoretical, analytical, and empirical courses offered ensure that our undergraduate program equips students with the skills to successfully pursue advanced degrees in Economics.