Economics analyzes how societies provide for their well-being, and examines the choices and trade-offs that are made in the face of limited resources. It studies the competition and cooperation that arises among individuals, private organizations, and governments in the process of allocating scarce resources to a variety of different uses in society.

Economics is widely recognized as a solid background for many jobs and professions in business, financial services, government and law. Graduate level studies can lead to university teaching positions, independent consultancies, and research. Employers in many fields are interested in the skills developed over the course of studying economics.

Career Options / Job Titles
(Some may require additional education and/or training)

- Actuary (NOC 2161)
- Auditor (NOC 1111)
- Bank Officer (NOC 6235)
- Bond Trader (NOC 1113)
- Commodity Industry Analyst (NOC 1113)
- Consumer Affairs Director (NOC 2262)
- Cost Analyst (NOC 1122)
- Demographer (NOC 2161)
- Economist (NOC 4162)
- Efficiency Expert (NOC 1122)
- Financial Planner/Analyst (NOC 1114)
- Financial Reporter (NOC 5123)
- Healthcare Administrator (NOC 4165)
- Industrial/Institutional Buyer (NOC 1225)
- Industrial Trades Specialist (NOC 4162)
Skills Developed by Economics Majors

- Able to simplify abstract concepts
- Analyze and interpret data
- Communicate concisely and effectively
- Critical thinking skills
- Apply literary and information-processing skills

Employers / Areas of Employment

- Auditing/Accounting Firms
- Community Service Agencies
- Consulting Firms
- Educational Institutions
- Financial Industry
- Government Agencies/Departments
- Health Care Centres
- Insurance Industry
- International Organizations
- Investment Industry
- Media/Publishing/Telecommunications Industries
- Non-Governmental Organizations
- Research Institutes
- Securities Industry
- Self Employed
- Trade/ Professional Associations

Professional Associations and Websites

- Bank of Canada http://www.bankofcanada.ca/careers/
- Econ Job Market.org https://econjobmarket.org/search.php
- Canadian Association for Business Economics https://www.cabe.ca/jmv3/
- The Economic Developers Association of Canada http://edac.ca/category/careers/
- Canadian Economics Association http://www.economics.ca/
- Canadian Association of Business Incubation http://cabi.ca/
- Canadian Agricultural Economics Society http://www.caes.usask.ca/