FACULTY OF BUSINESS & ECONOMICS

# **ECONOMICS**

Economics is the study of how choices made by individuals, business firms, governments, and other organizations determine the way a society's resources are used.

Economics will help you understand how markets work, how choices and tradeoffs are made in the face of limited resources, and how these affect outcomes such as savings, taxation, economic growth, income inequality, healthcare and pollution levels in society.

An economics degree will provide you with more than an understanding of how markets and economies function. It will teach you how to systematically analyze a wide range of social issues using theory and data, and will provide you with insights into a number of questions involving politics, law, history, environment, development and resource use.

At The University of Winnipeg, an Economics degree means getting ready for the future, offering students a range of flexible skills that helps them to grow.

This program leads to a **Bachelor of Arts degree (3-year, 4-year, or Honours) with a Major in Economics.** Students taking an undergraduate degree in another Major may choose to add a **Minor** in Economics as a secondary area of interest.

## **SAMPLE CAREERS**

Economics graduates find work in business, government, banking, or international organizations. Many who go on to graduate work are attracted to teaching, independent consulting, or research. Economics is also highly recommended for anyone wishing to enter law, accounting, or business school.

### **SAMPLE COURSES**

**Introduction to Economics: Micro & Macro** are two first-year courses that look at contemporary economic institutions and the application of economic theory to current Canadian economic problems.

**Environmental Economics** is a second-year course that applies the techniques of micro-economic analysis and energy systems analysis to the interaction of humans and their environment.

**Corporate Finance I and II** are second-year courses that examine financial management, which is essential for the growth of firms and the economy.

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## MORE SAMPLE COURSES

- Money and Banking
- Labour Economics
- Indigenous Economic Development
- International Finance: Theory & Policy
- Cost-Benefit Analysis & Project Evaluation

#### SAMPLE FIRST YEAR

ECON-1102(3) Introduction to Economics: Micro ECON-1103(3) Introduction to Economics: Macro

STAT- 1301(3) Statistical Analysis I

MATH-1103 (3) Introduction to Calculus I or ECON-1201(3) Quantitative Methods for Economics and Business

RHET-1102(3) Academic Writing: Social Sciences, RHET-1104(3) Academic Writing: Business, or any other section of Academic Writing (if required)

6 credit hours Humanities

9 credit hours Electives, depending on interest

NOTE: This sample first year is representative of the courses you may take. For many of our programs, you may choose another set of courses and still be well on your way to a degree. Also, for most programs you do not have to take 30 credit hours (five full courses) in your first year.

"The Economics program was instrumental in helping me prepare for my graduate work and career. I utilize the knowledge and analytical skills that I acquired through the program on a daily basis."

- Gavin Kaisaris, BA (Honours), Economics, who went on to complete an MA at Carleton University, and now works as a Policy Analyst at the Canadian Federation of Independent Business

## **REQUIRED HIGH SCHOOL COURSES**

In addition to meeting The University of Winnipeg's general admission requirements, students intending to major in Economics must have either **Pre-Calculus Mathematics 40S** or **Applied Mathematics 40S** or equivalent. Students lacking this background can complete **MATH-0041** and **MATH-0042**, which are offered by the University's Department of Mathematics and Statistics; this will allow them to register in the required courses for the Economics program.

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

For details on application requirements and deadlines, and to apply online, please visit: **uwinnipeg.ca/apply** 

For more information contact a student recruitment officer at welcome@uwinnipeg.ca or 204.786.9844. In any case where University's Academic Calendar and this fact sheet differ, the current Calendar takes precedence.

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