An economics degree gives students an understanding of the national economy and teaches them how to think critically about the way materials, money and resources are bought, traded and sold. Economics often involves topics like wealth, finance, recessions and banking, leading to the misconception that economics is all about money and the stock market. Actually, it’s a much broader discipline that helps us understand historical trends, interpret today’s headlines and make predictions for the coming years.

### ABOUT THE MAJOR

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### SAMPLE COURSEWORK

- Principles of Macroeconomics
- Mathematical Economics
- Risk Management and Insurance
- Intro to Econometrics
- Fixed Income Analysis
- Intermediate Financial Management
- Directed Research in Economics
- Operations Management

### POSSIBLE CAREERS

*some titles may require further education*

- Market Research Analyst
- Credit Analyst
- Management Consultant
- Auditor
- Economic Consultant
- Financial Advisor
- Business Reporter
- Contract Specialist
- Compensation and Benefits Manager
- Policy Analyst
- Statistician
- Real Estate
- Actuary
- Lawyer
- Accountant
- Economist

### UNI GRADUATES: WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

- John Deere
- Wells Fargo
- Principal Financial Group
- Principal Global Investors
- Wells Fargo Home Mortgage
- Hy-Vee, Inc.
- Situs RERC
- Aegon Asset Management
- IBM
- CBRE
- Cushman & Wakefield Iowa Commercial Advisors
- Midland Loan Services
- Rally Appraisal LLC
- Cohen Financial – SunTrust Bank

### SKILLS NEEDED

- Analytical skills
- Written skills
- Oral communication skills
- Detail-oriented
- Math skills
- Independent thinking skills
- Motivation
- Ability to work under pressure

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