Welcome to your NSC Department of Economics presentation!
Brought to you by: ECON advisors
Objectives for Today

• Explain resources within the Dept. of Economics available to ECON majors

• Understand the Economics degree requirements and know the classes you need to take to graduate

• Understand the difference between a BS and a BA

• Know what career and academic resources are available to you
What is Economics?

• ECON is a social science: uses mathematical and statistical tools to evaluate and analyze human behavior, particularly behavior related to the use and allocation of resources

• Important skills:
  ➢ strong mathematical ability and solid study habits are essential for success in the economics major!
Potential Job Fields

• Energy
• Investments
• Stocks and Trading
• Public Policy
• Non Profit- Financial Sector
• Education
• Economic Development
• And many more!
Potential Job Titles

- Financial Analyst
- Policy Analyst
- Financial Manager
- Financial Consultant
- Financial Advisor
- Project Manager
- Economist
- Economic Consultant
- Investment Consultant
Resume Boosters

- Certificates
- Study Abroad
- Internships for Credit
- Undergraduate Research
Certificates

- Business Economics Certificate
  - Business minor
  - ECMT 475
  - 2 upper-level directed ECON electives

- Quantitative Economics Methods Certificate
  - 18 hours
  - ECMT 475
  - ECON 460
  - ECON 470
  - 3 Directed Math courses

- Can be placed on transcript
- Allows students to demonstrate an area of concentration and expertise relevant to their major
Undergraduate Research

Why do research?
• Hands-on experience
• Faculty Guidance & Expertise
• Conference/Research project participation
• Opportunity to publish
• Recommendation Letters

EUROP
• Apply end of sophomore/junior year
• $1000 fellowship
• 1 year project with faculty member
• Present at conference
• ECON 491 (6 hours)

URA
• Collaboration with a Master's student working on their capstone
• Experience with research in the field
• Mentoring
• One semester-ECON 491 credit (3 hours)
Internship for Credit

- Gain essential experience
- Networking
- Boost confidence in handling job tasks
- Relevant resume
- Recommendation letters
- Obtaining an internship—how to’s

ECON 484: Internship (1-3 Credit Hours)
- Application to advisor - Must be approved prior to start of internship (found on the ECON website)
- Document a minimum 150 hours worked
- Last day of internship: submit a paper integrating experience and concepts learned in-class at the end
Study Abroad Opportunities

Helps create:
• Independence and self-sufficiency
• Challenging academic experience
• Higher level of maturity
• A way to enhance graduate school applications and resume
• An understanding of or fluency in foreign language

Locations:
• China (SWUFE/CUEB)—REEP
• The Netherlands (Tilburg/Erasmus)—REEP
• Bulgaria (AUBG)—Transfer

Information to note:
• ECON programs—all courses taught in English
• Variety of courses
• Programs vary in price
• You are welcome to go on any Texas A&M sponsored study abroad if our programs don’t match your interests
• Studyabroad.tamu.edu
5 Year Programs

BS/MS Economics
• Financial Economics Focus
• Financial Econometrics Focus

Master of Public International Affairs
• Int'l Economics Focus
• Int'l Economic Development Focus

Master of Public Service and Administration
• Public Policy Analysis Focus

Bush School programs: Pursue ONLY if you wish to attain a Masters in that respective field!

Breakdown:
• 3 years of undergraduate coursework
• 4th year is blended
• 5th year is strictly master's coursework
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http://aggiehonor.tamu.edu
Expectations from the advisors

You do:
• Choose classes
• Pick your professors
• Research ahead of time
• Ask for help
• GOOGLE

We do:
• Information about requirements
• Explain options
• Double check your work
• Programs and opportunities
• Connect to resources
• Realistic expectations
• Get to know us! We're here to help you!
We are located in the Allen Building on west campus
If driving, enter George Bush Presidential Library into your GPS—we are right next to it
Please park in lot 41—this is a visitor lot (not permit needed)
If taking the bus, A&M bus route 5 goes directly from the Memorial Student Center (MSC) to the Allen Bldg.
Please get off at the Bush School stop
We will meet downstairs in the lobby of the Allen building at 1pm SHARP!
  • Students get time with an advisor from 1-2 (before registration)
  • Registration is 2 pm to 6 pm today
  • Parents & Guests—you are welcome to attend an info session in the Allen Bldg. or check out the awesome George Bush Library (next door)
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Walk-in hours:
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Fridays: 9:00-11:30 am
No appt. necessary! ☺