



Economics

Department Meeting NSC



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Today's Agenda

1

Defining Economics

What can **you** do with an Economics degree?

2

Careers in Economics

What can **you** expect when joining our department?

3

Academic Planning

What are the details of **your** A&M Economics degree and what will you take in the *spring*?



You're an Economics Major-
Now What?

The College Experience

**What is my
long-term goal?**

Get Involved!

**Where can I go
for help?**

Interact!

**How can I be
successful?**

Check A&M Email!

YOU are Responsible for YOUR College Experience

I want to do a 4+1 program in another college at A&M.

That's great! Utilize that college's website to research what is required. Email them.

I want to further my studies at another institution.

Awesome! Contact their Admissions Office to see what you need to do.

Economics Faculty, Staff and Advisors can help with Economics related questions.

Transfer Students - “What was the biggest adjustment from your previous institution to A&M?”

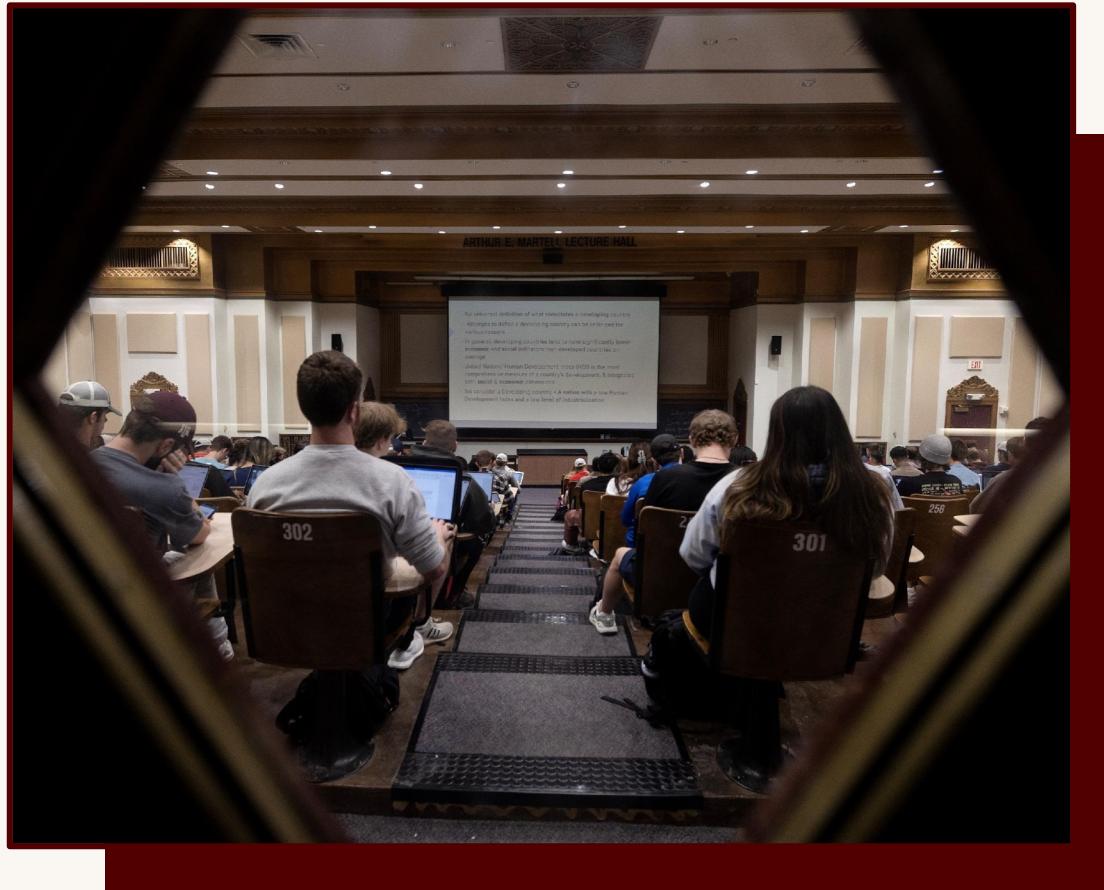


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Department of Economics

The Department of Economics at Texas A&M University is a highly-ranked program with world-class faculty in a variety of fields.

The 2024 U.S. News and World Report shows the Department as the number 38 overall and 17 among public universities. We are tied with Arizona State University, University of Arizona, Georgetown University, Rice University, University of Indiana, UC-Irvine, University of Southern California and University of Pittsburgh.



Economics vs. Business As a Major

Economics

- Theoretical Framework
- Data Interpretation
- Data Prediction
- Robust Toolkit
- Dives Deeper into the **How and Why**
- Research & Critical Thinking

Overlap

- Foundational Courses
- Financial Analysis
- Management
- Leadership
- Strategy
- Decision Making

Business

- Focus on Application
- Broad Overview
- Entrepreneurship
- Profit Generation
- Specific Focus Area

What do Economists do?

Analyze how people and organizations make choices

- individuals deciding what to buy, governments designing policy, and firms setting prices

Use data and models to understand the world

- applying math, logic, and coding to test hypotheses and predict behavior

Design better systems

- improving education, fixing health care, reforming taxes, and making markets work more efficiently

Explore big questions

- what drives inequality, how innovation spreads, and why some countries grow faster than others

Think strategically

- game theory, behavioral insights, and incentives to anticipate how others will respond and make smarter decisions



Who will hire me?

Employers & Positions

Employer	Position	Employer	Position
Amazon	Dir. of Operations	Morgan Stanley.....	Financial Rep.
Bank of America.....	Enterprise Credit Analyst	PwC.....	Technology Consultant
Bank of America.....	Operations Analyst	Sendero.....	Associate Consultant
Charles Schwab.....	Financial Services Rep.	Source Blue.....	Supply Chain Coord.
Coherent Economics....	Research Analyst	Travelers Insurance....	Claim Advisor
Dell.....	Financial Analyst	Univ. of Chicago.....	Research Professional
Deloitte.....	Tax Consultant	USAA.....	Auditor
Fidelity Investments.....	Brokerage Operations Assoc.	USI Southwest.....	Employee Benefits Anlst.
Frost Bank.....	Associate Manager	WP Wealth.....	Analyst

Further Studies & Institutions

Institution

Baylor University.....

SMU.....

St. Mary's University (San Antonio).....

Texas A&M University.....

Texas State University.....

Tulane.....

University of Amsterdam.....

University of Houston.....

University of North Carolina.....

University of Texas.....

Area of Study

Law

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Law

Masters: Business, Entrepreneurship, Finance, Health Admin, International Affairs, Marketing, Real Estate, Law

MBA x 2, Masters of Sociology

Law, Sports Studies

Masters of Economics

Law

Masters of Accounting

Masters of Data Science

Opportunities

- ECON Career Night: *February 4*
 - 20+ Companies
 - Spring & Fall Semesters
 - Meet with employers looking specifically for ECON students
- Pop Up Resume Reviews
 - Offered each semester in preparation for Career Fairs
- Career Fairs
 - College of Arts & Sciences: *February 3*
 - Mays Business School: *February 4*
 - College of Agriculture & Life Sciences [Agribusiness, Ag Economics, etc]: *January 29*
- Individual Company Visits
- Job Databases Just for Aggies
 - Hire Aggies
 - Jobs for Aggies



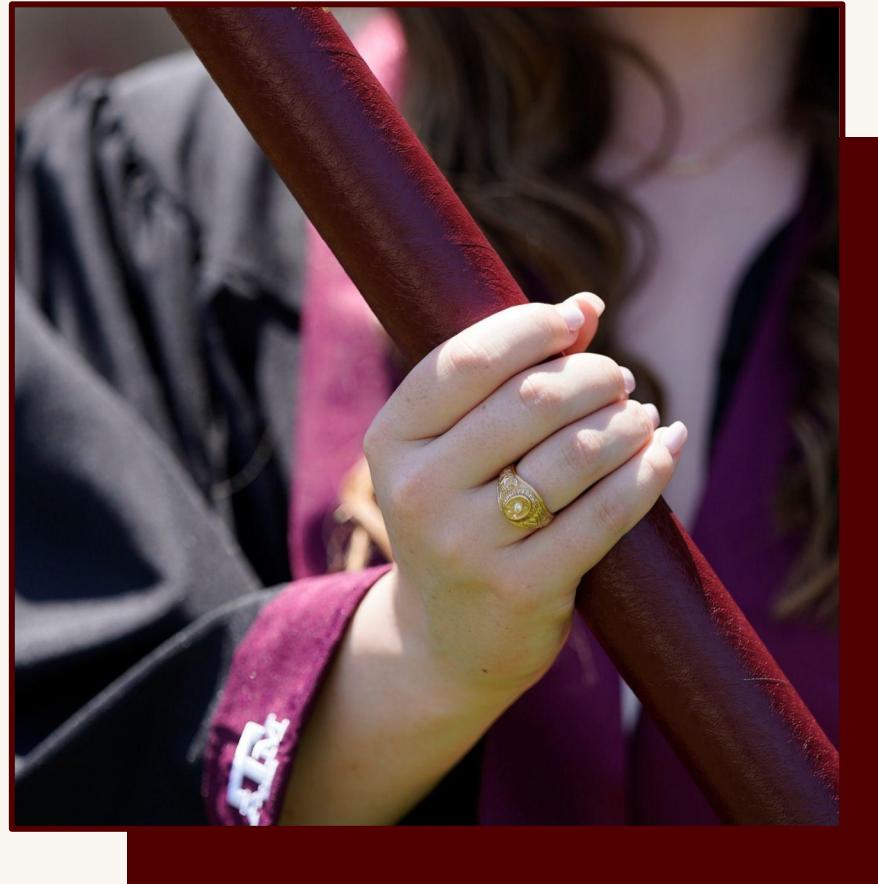
Starting Salaries: Spring 2025

Average: \$70,300

*Highest starting salary in the College of Arts & Sciences for all 130 degree programs except Physics

*Starting salary exceeds 4 of the 5 majors at Mays Business School

Student Count: 42



Arts & Sciences Career Services

Come in Early & Often

- Schedule an appointment with your career coordinator
- Explore career options
- Create your resume
- Identify high impact experiences
- Search opportunities in HireAggies
- Prepare for career fairs

careercenter.tamu.edu

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**Aggie Career
Success
Handbook**
QR code



TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Career Center



Academic Advising: Don't worry, you
got this!

Meeting With Advisors

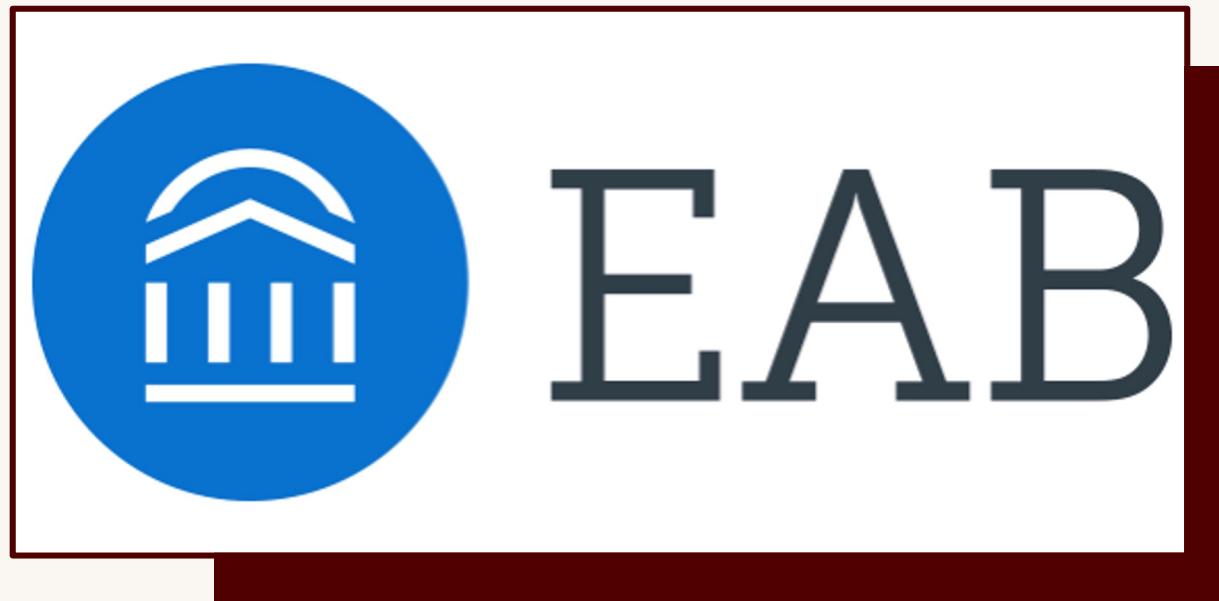
Navigate360

- **Comment:** Write in detail what you want to discuss
- **No Show:** Extreme tardiness [5+ minutes] is considered *no showing*
 - After 3 *no shows* Navigate blocks you from appointment scheduling for 180 days
- **Unable to Attend:** please *cancel* your appointment

Zoom Drop-Ins

Every *Thursday* Only [Unless Otherwise Noted]

9:00 – 11:00 am & 2:00 – 4:00 pm



Advisors Here to Help!

Academic Planning

- Help **you** understand **your** degree requirements
- Review AP and dual credit
- *Be sure to talk to us *before* accepting AP credit
- Help **you** develop a **realistic** plan to graduation

Weekly Emails & Workshops

- Sent every **Monday**
- Advising Info
- Career Opportunities
- Events & Involvement
- Reminders & Updates

Workshop Topics

- Career Fair Prep
- Money Management
- Study Tips & Time Management

Starting Point

- If you feel stuck or need help but do not know where to start – ask us!
- Provide campus resource referrals
- We will give **you** the information for **you** to do the research
- If you need someone to talk to because college is hard and you miss home, we are here!

Student Responsibilities

Accountability

Accept responsibility for **your** actions and **your** decisions that impact **your** degree progress and college experience

- Deadlines are deadlines
- Always be prepared
- Utilize resources provided
- We advise so **you** can make well-informed decisions

Engagement

- Get off your PHONE!**
- Interact with peers and faculty
- College goes by faster than you think
- Employers care about **more** than just your GPA - get involved!
- Social skills are invaluable
- Learn to write a proper email

Texas A&M Email

- You** are responsible for monitoring **your** A&M email **daily**, including holidays and breaks [Student Rule 61.2.3]
- Your OFFICIAL Texas A&M Email is **required** when emailing faculty and advisors
- Your full name and UIN must always be included
- Allow a **reasonable** amount of time for email responses: 24 – 48 hours, not including weekends or holidays

Mental Health Strategies

- Develop a *self-care* plan that fits your class and life schedule
- Recognize early signs of *burnout* and *academic stress*
- Stay *connected* with your support system
- Download the *TELUS Health Student Support App* now

Apple



Android



You are an **Economics** Major

You accepted admission to Texas A&M as an *Economics Major* for the Spring 2026 semester and *must register accordingly*.

We *cannot* and *will not* advise you on a different major.

Meet with Transition Academic Programs later this spring for information regarding change of major.

ECONOMICS

ba vs bs

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Core Curriculum 48 Hours

General Electives 13 Hours

Economics Major Coursework 33 Hours

Foundations [12 Hours]

ECON 202 Microeconomics

ECON 203 Macroeconomics

ECON 323 Microeconomic Theory

ECON 410 Macroeconomic Theory

Economics Electives [21 Hours]

*One Elective Must be Writing Intensive

Modern Language 14 Hours

Choose from Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Italian, Latin, Japanese, Russian, or Spanish

Beginning I 4 Hours

Beginning II 4 Hours

Intermediate I 3 Hours

Intermediate II 3 Hours

Supporting Coursework 3 Hours

ACCT 209 Survey of Accounting Principles

Mathematics 9 Hours

MATH 140 Mathematics for Business & Social Sciences

MATH 142 Business Calculus

ECMT 461 Economic Data Analysis [Writing Intensive]

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Supporting Coursework 6 Hours

ACCT 209 Survey of Accounting Principles

ACCT 210 Survey of Managerial and Cost Accounting Principles

Mathematics 12 Hours

MATH 140 Mathematics for Business & Social Sciences

MATH 142 Business Calculus

ECMT 461 Economic Data Analysis [Writing Intensive]

ECMT 463 Introduction to Econometrics [Writing Intensive]

ECONOMICS

coursework

ECONOMICS FOUNDATION COURSES

12 Hours Required

START HERE

ECON 202

Microeconomics

Prerequisite(s)

None

+

MATH 140

Math for Business & Social Sciences

Prerequisite(s)

None



ECON 203

Macroeconomics

Prerequisite(s)

ECON 202 Min Grade D
C Required for ECON Majors

MATH 142

Business Calculus

Prerequisite(s)

MATH 140 or 150 Min Grade C or
MPL2: 13 MPTL: 22 or MPTL2: 18

ECON 323

Microeconomic Theory

Prerequisite(s)

ECON 202 Min Grade C &
MATH 142, 151, or 171 Min Grade C

Students **cannot** take ECON 323
without completing ECON 202 &
MATH 142 with a C or higher.
Exceptions are not made.

ECON 410

Macroeconomic Theory

Prerequisite(s)

ECON 203 Min Grade C

NOTES

ECON 202

AP 3+ or ECON 1302

ECON 203

AP 3+, IB 4+, or ECON 1301

MATH 140

AP BC 4+ or MATH 1324

MATH 142

AP AB 3+, AP BC 3+, or
MATH 1325

The only other method to earning course
credit is taking these courses at Texas A&M.

ECONOMICS

coursework

ECONOMICS ELECTIVES

21 Hours Required

ECON 311

Money & Banking

Prerequisite(s)

ECON 203
Min Grade C

ECON 311 & 330 are two of the only Electives that do not require ECON 323 as a prerequisite and are offered frequently.

ECON 330

Economic Development

Prerequisite(s)

ECON 202 & 203
Min Grade C

ECONOMETRICS COURSES

6 Hours Required

ECMT 461 & ECMT 463 satisfy the writing intensive degree requirements

ECMT 461

Economic Data Analysis

Prerequisite(s)

MATH 142, 151, or 171 Min Grade C

ECMT 463

Introduction to Econometrics

Prerequisite(s)

ECON 323 Min Grade C **AND**

ECMT 461 or STAT 211 or 303 Min Grade C

*Course not required for BA, can choose an ECON writing

ECONOMICS

coursework

ADDITIONAL COURSEWORK & REQUIREMENTS

- Core Curriculum: 48 hours
- Accounting: ACCT 209 [BA & BS] & ACCT 210 [BS Only]
- General Electives: 21 hours [BS] 13 hours [BA]
- Foreign Language: 14 hours [BA Only]
- International & Cultural Diversity Course: 3 hours
- Cultural Discourse Course: 3 hours
- Residency: 36 hours of A&M 300/400 Level Coursework
- Foreign Language: 2 Years High School or 2 College Semesters

Department Graduation Requirements

Grade of **C** or higher in all Economics & Econometrics courses to be degree applicable

Economics Major GPA area must be 2.0 or higher

Cumulative GPA must be 2.0 or higher

36 hours of 300 - 400 level courses taken at Texas A&M

2 years of high school foreign language or 2 semesters of the same foreign language in college

2 courses with the writing intensive designation [900 section]

Economics Majors are **required** to enroll in
at least one Economics [ECON] or Econometrics [ECMT] course each fall and spring
semester

Creating a Schedule

12 hours is the *minimum* for full-time status

-We do not recommend more than 16 hours

-13 hours is ideal for your first semester at A&M

You may not be able to follow the Catalog's 4 year plan *exactly*

-Course credit could already be earned for specific semesters

-Courses may be full or not be offered this semester

Your options for online courses while completing your Economics degree at Texas A&M will be very **LIMITED**

Do not register for courses that you believe you have earned AP/IB or transfer credit

Economics is NOT an online degree and cannot be completed online –
you must plan to be in College Station for the spring semester

Typical First Semester Transfer Schedule

ECON 323	Microeconomic Theory [<i>Foundation Course</i>]	3
ECON 330	Economic Development [<i>ECON Elective</i>]	3
Core Curriculum		3
Core Curriculum		3
ECON 485	Transfer Seminar	1
<i>Total Hours</i>		13

Note: Every student's schedule will look slightly different

Reminder: We will ONLY give you SPRING 2026 schedule advice on ***ECONOMICS***

Rev's Reserve: Pocket Pantry & Closet



The Closet has business casual to professional clothing. Students may keep what they select. Or, we provide dry cleaning vouchers for clothing checked out for return at a later date.

The Department of Economics opened a Pocket Pantry and Closet within the Advising Suite Fall 2025. These resources are open to *all students* without questions asked.

Both initiatives are fully stocked by donations from Economics faculty, staff, and supporters of the Department.



Pantry Wish List



We place a mobile pantry outside the suite daily. Advisors take students in need of more resources to browse our larger pantry supply to gather what they need.

Name: _____
UIN: _____

Academic Standards to Remain an Economics Student

I understand I will be working toward earning a degree in economics. Failure to take courses toward my declared degree is a violation of Texas A&M Student Rule 1.5 and will result in a registration block until my major is changed. It is my responsibility to understand the degree requirements along with deadlines, policies, and procedures of the university, college, and department. I assume accountability for all emails received from the university, college and advisors and all policies stated herein.

Please initial beside each statement below to acknowledge you have read the policy.

Academic Standards & Policies

As an Economics Student, I understand I must:

- maintain an overall GPA of 2.00 or higher at all times
- maintain a major [ECON/ECMT] GPA of 2.0 or higher at all times
- complete all ECON and ECMT courses with a C or higher for the course to be degree applicable
- complete MATH 140 and MATH 142, or their equivalents, with a C or higher by the third semester enrolled at Texas A&M to fulfill prerequisites for future required courses
- enroll in a minimum of one ECON or ECMT course every fall/spring semester
*Failure to comply will incur a registration block for curricular violation followed by dismissal from the department
- make satisfactory academic progress toward an Economics degree
*Failure to comply will incur a registration block for curricular violation followed by dismissal from the department
- pass the following classes with a C or higher by the **second attempt**: ECON 202, 203, 323, and 410, ECMT 461, and 463, MATH 140 and MATH 142 or their accepted equivalents
 - If a third attempt is necessary to earn a C or higher, I will be placed on probation within the department for that semester
 - If, after the third and final attempt, I do not pass the course with a C or higher, I will be dismissed from the department
- understand and adhere to academic requirements set by any minor I declare

Email Etiquette

As an Economics Student, I understand:

- I am required to use my **OFFICIAL** Texas A&M email when corresponding with advisors/professors
- I will always include my first and last name **and** UIN in all emails
- I **will not resend** the same email multiple times while waiting for a response
- I will allow a **reasonable** amount of time for an email response, 24 – 48 hours, weekends and holidays not included
- I am responsible for monitoring **my** email **daily**
-Not checking **my** email is not a valid excuse for missing a deadline.

Student Signature _____

Date _____

After you have signed this contract, a copy is uploaded to your Navigate file should an issue regarding a statement above arise while you are an Economics student at Texas A&M University.

Economics Contract of Academic Standards

1. Thoroughly read the contract
2. Initial next to each statement
3. Sign on Student Signature Line
4. Date on Date Line
5. Turn in to receive your Student Folder with *personalized* Degree Plan

Up Next...

Short Break

Family & Guests: Stay in this Room

- Family Briefing Begins
- 3:30 pm: Registration Starts!

Students: Relocate to HECC 100 With Advisors

- Take your *signed* ECON Contract to the front to trade it for your *Student Folder*
- Bring your **laptop** & entire student **folder** to HECC 100
- Registration Preparation Session
- 3:30 pm: Registration Starts!

The registration session is for *STUDENTS ONLY*

Thanks & Gig 'em!

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