

Economics

Transferable Skills

A liberal arts degree in general, reflects a comprehensive education emphasizing analytical skills, critical thinking and communication skills; abilities in high demand for all employers. Concentrating your studies in a major allows you to also gain specific transferable skills of interest to particular employers and industries.

Graduates with a major in Chinese are attractive to employers due to their abilities in the following areas:

- Ability to organize and memorize detailed information
- Ability to implement concrete strategies based on theoretical information
- Ability to deal with numbers
- Ability to conduct and explain scientific research
- Ability to analyze problems and make appropriate decisions
- Understand general trends and their impact on specific variables
- Computational ability
- Patience
- Computer literacy
- Build models to explain and predict economic behavior
- Proficiency for details
- Knowledgeable of socio-economic class issues
- Ability to work well under pressure
- Draw conclusions based on logical thought progression
- Ability to organize statistical information into understandable concepts
- Understand personal, corporate and national financial strategies

Range of Example Positions held by Economics Majors

Please note that some of these positions require an advanced degree. For more information and descriptions of these careers, visit [O*NET On-line](#).

- Accountant
- Actuary
- Advertising Executive
- Agricultural Business Officer
- Auditor
- Brand/Product Manager
- Budget Analyst
- Buyer
- Commercial Banker
- Computer Engineer
- Consultant
- Corporate Financial Officer
- Cost Engineer
- Economist
- Financial Analyst
- Foreign Affairs Consultant
- Fundraiser
- Governmental Statistician
- Health Care Administrator
- Hotel Manager
- Human Resources Analyst
- Human Resources Manager
- Institutional Researcher
- Inventory Controller
- Investment Banker
- IRS Agent
- Journalist
- Lawyer
- Mathematician
- Operations Manager
- Professor/Dean
- Risk Analyst
- Sales Manager
- Securities Trader
- Small Business Owner/Advisor
- Surveyor
- System Analyst
- Teacher
- Technical Writer
- Underwriter
- Wage Administrator
- Writer

Professional Associations

Professional associations or organizations can be a great way to meet, learn from and network with professionals in your field of interest. Inexpensive student memberships are often available. These are only a sampling of professional associations. Be sure to search for others that may be applicable or helpful.

- [American Economic Association](#)
- [National Economic Association](#)
- [World Economics Association](#)
- [National Association of Business Economists](#)
- [Western Economic Association International](#)
- [Association of Environmental and Resource Economists](#)
- [Society for the Advancement of Behavioral Economics](#)