

Economics is an excellent major to prepare for graduate school, particularly in business and law. Alumni can also use their quantitative skills to work as:

- Professors
- Consultants
- Bankers
- Financial advisers
- Government officials
- Nonprofit strategists

“ Economics provides the frameworks through which we can better understand markets, models, and behavior. My path as an investment banker and business strategist is defined by leveraging economic theory and intuition to structure ambiguity, understand complexity, and drive real-world impact. ”

Samir Junnarkar, '13
MBA '19, Harvard Business School

“ Studying economics—especially at Stanford—provides a new way of thinking about the world and the forces that influence our behavior. This mindset is invaluable personally and professionally, no matter what career path you choose. ”

James Gische, '11, minor in Management Science and Engineering
MBA '18, Anderson School of Management, UCLA

Economics

HOW SHOULD GOODS AND SERVICES BE PRODUCED?

WHAT CAUSES A FINANCIAL MARKET TO SUCCEED OR FAIL?

HOW CAN WE DESIGN MORE EFFECTIVE GOVERNMENT POLICIES TO INCREASE SOCIAL MOBILITY?



FIND A FOCUS

You can focus on a single economics track in areas such as Finance, Policy, or Strategy, or combine courses from multiple areas.

Take *Principles of Economics*, which introduces you to macroeconomics and microeconomics through the lens of economic news and data. Then delve deeper with courses like:

- *Behavioral and Experimental Economics*
- *International Trade*
- *Introduction to Financial Economics*
- *Microcosm of Silicon Valley and Wall Street*
- *The Economics of Gender*
- *The Causes and Consequences of the Rise in Inequality*

ALMOST EVERYTHING YOU ENCOUNTER IN LIFE IS AFFECTED BY ECONOMICS IN SOME WAY

Studying economics gives you a set of quantitative skills to understand the forces shaping society. It also helps you make informed decisions in your everyday life.

As an undergraduate, you will be taught by some of the nation's leading economists and have opportunities to do groundbreaking research, including using big data to tackle critical social challenges.

JOIN A LIVELY COMMUNITY

Help faculty with research year-round and through the department's undergraduate summer Research Assistant Program. The Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research (SIEPR) also has many openings throughout the year for students to work on data management and analysis.

Outside the classroom, you can get involved in the student-run Stanford Economics Association and Stanford in Government, which helps bring leading experts to campus like Janet Yellen, former chair of the Federal Reserve.

PICTURED: *Behavioral and Experimental Economics* course