Economics

Overview

As an economics major at Connecticut College, you learn to think analytically, pose and solve problems and use models to construct and test hypotheses. You are exposed to microeconomics and macroeconomics, and apply what you learn in fields from finance, labor and environmental economics to industrial organization, public finance and development. Connecticut College is one of the few liberal arts colleges of its size to offer multiple courses in econometrics and corporate finance as well as economic history and theory. We encourage interdisciplinary work. You explore how economics intersects with international relations, environmental studies, government, history and sociology and can explore feminist economics, gender and development.

Research Opportunities

You will do original research and apply what you learn. Recent senior honors theses have provided a comprehensive critique of mainstream economics, looked at the determinants of growth in Sierra Leone, analyzed the effect and made policy recommendations about different strategies to immunize the population of India against tuberculosis. A College-funded internship will help you focus your work. You can also pursue your interests by working as a research assistant to a professor, participating in a departmental lecture series or combining economics with one of the College’s interdisciplinary programs.

International Opportunities & Study Abroad

You have several options for study abroad. They include the College’s own Study Away Teach Away program, which takes an entire class and one or two professors abroad for a semester. Economics faculty have regularly led SATAs to Vietnam, and more recently to Peru and Italy.
Selected Courses

About Connecticut College
Connecticut College is a private, highly selective liberal arts college with 1,850 students and more than 40 majors in the arts, sciences, social sciences and humanities, as well as the option for students to self-design majors. The College offers a high level of intellectual challenge, a campus culture that supports students to tailor their educational experience to their own interests and goals, and a four-year career development program that teaches students how to translate a liberal arts degree into a first job or graduate school admission. Connecticut College is situated in the small New England seaport of New London.

WHAT CAN YOU DO WITH A MAJOR IN ECONOMICS?

Manager of Business Development, Johnson & Johnson
Chief Economic Analyst, Commonwealth of Virginia
Sales Analyst, Boston Beer Co.
Math Teacher, Southern Senior High School
Corporate Strategy Analyst, Burt’s Bees
Associate Professor, University of Maryland
Foreign Affairs Officer, U.S. Department of State
Economist, Federal Communications Commission
Associate Vice President of Development, Children’s Hospital of Los Angeles
Group Vice President for Strategic Accounts, WebMD
Director of Global Systems Operations, Boston Scientific Corp.
Country Managing Director, Accenture Botswana
Broker/Trader, Bank of America

EXAMPLES OF STUDENT RESEARCH IN ECONOMICS

Katherine Theiss ’15
The Health and Economic Burden of Tuberculosis: An Analysis of the BCG Vaccine Global Supply and Demand

Neal Tan ’15
The Impact of codetermination on firm profitability and productivity in Germany

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