**ECONOMICS, B.A. (BEHREND)**

**Begin Campus:** Any Penn State Campus

**End Campus:** Erie

**Program Description**

The Economics major is a program of study with a liberal arts orientation. The broad liberal arts background serves as a foundation for advanced study in the methods and techniques of economic analysis. Use of mainframe and microcomputers as analytical and problem-solving tools is emphasized in the program's upper-division courses. Students may choose upper-division courses in several areas of specialization, including business cycles and forecasting, economic theory, industrial organization, international economics, labor economics, managerial economics, and regional economics.

**What is Economics?**

Economics is the study of how individuals, firms, and governments allocate their scarce resources. This major is designed for those who seek a broad understanding of the operation of the economic system and training in the methods and uses of economic analysis. Graduates are equipped for employment in many areas of business operations, labor unions, and agencies of government at all levels; and to undertake the graduate work necessary to become professional economists.

**You Might Like This Program If...**

- You are interested in both business and the liberal arts.
- You want to develop skills that are applicable in a variety of industries.
- You are a detail-oriented person.
- You'd like to work at the on-campus Economic Research Institute of Erie (ERIE).
- You are interested in working in the government sector or pursuing a law degree.