

# The Economics Major

Principles of Macroeconomics

**Intermediate Macroeconomics** 

**Political Economy** 

**Regional Economics** 

**Forecasting** 

Gender and the Economy

Public Finance... and more!

By the Numbers:

Majors (2013): 420 Minors (2013): 116 Degrees Awarded (2011-12): 127

#### **Curriculum:**

✓ 33 credits (11 courses) of Economics including the following required courses:

Principles of Microeconomics

• Intermediate Microeconomics

Econometrics

• Senior Seminar

...and 2 upper division and 2 other elective courses in economic selected from among:

Money and Banking

Environmental Economics

International Economics

Health Economics

✓ Prerequisite course in calculus and statistics

✓ 9 additional credits (3 courses) of social science (excluding economics)

✓ Completion of a minor or second major

## **Enrichment Opportunities:**

• Recent Internships for Academic Credit:

Velo Magazine; Credit Suisse; Expeditors International of Washington, Inc.; Northern Colorado Sports Officials; Waddell and Reed; Campus Activities; U.S. Department of State; USDA-National Animal Health Monitoring; Colorado State Athletic Academic Services

- University Honors and Disciplinary Honors programs
- Omicron Delta Epsilon, the Economics Honor Society
- Econ Club
- Celebrate Undergraduate Creativity and Research Symposium
  In 2012 17 teams of economics majors presented research posters

#### Our recent graduates have many opportunities in both the business world and at graduate school!

#### **Graduate Studies:**

- Masters in Economics
- PhD in Economics
- MBA
- Law School

Stetson University Law School CU-Denver University of Warwick Georgia State University Purdue University CU-Boulder

### Employment - Firm (Position):

Great West Life (Senior Mutual Implementation Administrator); ALPs (Mutual Fund Accountant); TransMontaigne (Account Manager); Discovery Research Group (Vice President of Operations); Home State Bank (Associate Banker); U.S. Coast Guard (Economist); Metlife Securities Inc. (Broker-Dealer-Agent); American Eagle Distributing (Account Manager); Brown Brother Harriman (Fund Analyst); U.S. Navy (Naval Flight Officer); U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (Economic Research); U.S. Federal Communications Commission (Economic Research Assistant); UBS Investment Bank London (Structured Credit Valuations Analyst); Oppenheimer Funds (Senior Fund Accounting Analyst); Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage (Broker Associate, REALTOR); Kronos Inc. (Research Analyst)



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# **Why Study Economics?**

## Maybe it's because you're interested in training for a well-paid job

Economics majors on average earn more than the majors in any other department in the College of Liberal Arts, and more than most business majors for that matter. Or maybe it's because you're interested in understanding how individuals, businesses, and governments interact to produce and distribute goods and services to improve (or diminish) our wellbeing. Whether your concern is preparation for a career, intellectual curiosity, or political change, economics has something to offer you.

# Economics is the only social science which is awarded a Nobel Prize

It provides a rigorous analysis of a wide range of real world problems (many of which are not ordinarily thought of as "economic") such as poverty, inflation, unemployment, pollution, crime, taxes, finance, inequality, international competition, economic growth and many others. But you don't have to be a "rocket scientist" to major in economics. Most economics courses use little advanced math. Some don't use math at all. Economic analysis is often common sense. Our department emphasizes a broad, policy oriented, liberal arts approach to the study of economics, one which appeals to students of many different backgrounds and interests.

## A major in economics sends a signal...

...to prospective employers and graduate schools that you are capable of logical and critical thought, that you have basic quantitative skills, that you can adapt to changing circumstances, and that you are interested in the "big picture." It will help you become a better citizen and a more rigorous thinker as well as advancing your career goals.

# We strive to be not just an academic department but a "learning community."

Our faculty puts students first. Many of our faculty have won teaching and advising awards and have published extensively in their fields of expertise. This Web site describes the faculty, the courses, the requirements, and many of the other features of our Department such as the Economics Club. We look forward to seeing you in class!