



The Economics Department at San José State University has one core mission: to train both graduate and undergraduate students in the economic way of thinking and market process. Our internationally recognized faculty will guide your exploration of economic theory, equipping you with the analytical decision-making skills to prepare you to succeed in careers in business, public policy, government service, data management, as well as providing a solid foundation for future doctoral studies in economics.

At the undergraduate level, we offer both bachelor of arts and bachelor of sciences degrees, as well as an economics minor. At the graduate level, we offer an MA program in Economics, with an optional concentration in Applied Economics. Because we offer a terminal Masters degree program, we are uniquely equipped to prepare students to face the business world.

Students at San José State University also have the opportunity to participate in research workshops and seminars, as well as attend our Provocative Lecture Series.

### CAREER OPTIONS FOR MAJOR

Forget about career titles--they tell you nothing about the tasks you will do each day. We strongly recommend that you put your attention on acquiring the durable and flexible human capital skills of outstanding Communication (oral and written), Calculation (statistical analysis) and Critical thinking. When you OWN these three human capital skills (think of them as equipment) you get the CONFIDENCE to pursue any career.

### ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION TO MAJOR

You need a 2.5 grade point average. Additionally, you should be comfortable with the idea that there is more than one right answer to complex questions—memorizing facts does not help much in economics—you must be able to explain why. It also helps if you enjoy discussing and questioning.

### ADVISORS

#### Undergraduate Advisors

Advising hours noted on our web:  
[www.sjsu.edu/economics](http://www.sjsu.edu/economics)  
Quick Links: Advising

#### Graduate Advisors

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### GENERAL EDUCATION OFFERED

- ECON 1B (area D1)

### MAJORS OFFERED (GE)

- Bachelor of Arts, Economics
- Bachelor of Science, Economics

### MINORS OFFERED

- Economics

### GRADUATE PROGRAMS

- Masters of Arts, Economics
- Master of Arts, Applied Economics

### SOCIAL MEDIA

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