



STEM Careers

Economist

Job Description: Address economic problems relating to the distribution of goods and services or monetary and fiscal policies, done through research, reports, and various plans.

What does an Economist do?

- Study economic and statistical data in areas such as finance, labor, or agriculture
- Conduct research on economic issues
- Compile and analyze data into reports to explain phenomena and forecast trends.
- Apply mathematical models and statistical techniques to analyze data
- Conduct and/or supervise research projects
- Present economic impact of policies to the public
- Consult businesses, public and private agencies, as well as other employers on economic relationships
- Develop guidelines and standards, and points of views to be used in forecasting trends

Your Interests:

- Do you like using math and statistics to solve problems?
- Are you interested in researching issues in economics?
- Can you clearly communicate your ideas to others?

Outlook: **Bright**

Average Salary - \$50.79 hourly, \$105,630 annually

Projected Job Openings - 1,600 over the next 10 years.

Education/Program of Study:

- Most positions require graduate school such as a master's (like an MBA) or Ph.D.
 - Degrees are often held in areas such as Accounting, Finance, Mathematics, Economics, or other related fields.

Sources:

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