

Economics Major Orientation

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- Outline for the session:
 - ① Introductions
 - ② Presentation from Undergraduate Student Affairs
 - ③ Overview of the Department of Economics and its major degree programs
 - ④ Additional opportunities in Economics
 - ⑤ Online resources

- These slides are available online at:
https://www.briancjenkins.com/pdf/Fall_2019_UCI_Econ_Orientation.pdf

Facts about the Department

- 28 regular faculty members with diverse research interests
- 2,805 undergraduate majors (as of Fall 2018).
 - ① Economics (612 majors)
 - ② Business Economics (1,905 majors)
 - ③ Quantitative Economics (288 majors)
- 9.44% of all majors undergraduate majors (as of Fall 2018).
- Whether you should enroll in one of our three majors and which major you should choose depends on your interests and post-UCI ambitions.

What is an Economics Major?

- From the UCI Department of Economics webpage:

Economics is the study of the allocation of scarce resources; the way that individuals, groups, governments, and businesses make choices; and the consequences of those choices for people, nations, and society.

- An economics degree (even business economics) is much more like a traditional liberal arts degree than a profession-oriented degree like business administration or accounting.

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- **Quantitative Economics:** best prepares students for careers in business and finance, for law school, for M.B.A. programs, and for graduate studies in the social sciences.
The Department strongly urges students to consider the major in Quantitative Economics.

Additional Opportunities in the Department

- **Specialization in International Issues and Economics:**

<http://www.economics.uci.edu/undergrad/major/specializations.php>

- **Department of Economics Honors Program:**

<http://www.economics.uci.edu/undergrad/honors.php>

- **UCI General Catalogue:**

<http://catalogue.uci.edu/>

- **Department of Economics homepage:**

<http://www.economics.uci.edu/>

- **Social Sciences Undergraduate Student Affairs:**

<http://www.undergrad.socsci.uci.edu/offices/studentaffairs.php>

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