



# Careers in economics

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## Pathways within economics

- Finance
  - Huge variety of job roles e.g. investment banking, pensions, insurance, trading, tax, audit, accountancy, risk +++++
- Consulting
- Other business areas
- Data & Statistics
- Technology e.g. FinTech
- Public Sector
- Economic Development / International Development



# Job roles in economics

## Typical career pathways

- Civil Service Fast Streamer
- Policy Officer
- Chartered Accountant
- Data Analyst
- Stockbroker
- Investment Analyst
- Political Risk Analyst
- [and more](#)

## What do Bath grads do?

- Accountant / Audit Trainee
- Assistant Finance Manager
- Data Analyst
- Financial or Investment Analyst
- Trader
- Management Consultant
- Software Developer
- Sales Operations
- and [many more](#)



## Graduate programmes

- Lots of graduate schemes in Finance and Business
  - See MyFuture or other sites such as TargetJobs, Prospects, efinancialcareers
  - Many multinational investment banks have graduate schemes
- Civil Service Fast Stream (and other schemes)
- NGDP local government scheme
- More public sector graduate schemes options in our helpsheets... [Careers in Politics](#) and [Careers in Social Policy](#)





## Top Tips

- As an Economics graduate you can work in many different roles, therefore it is vital that you research your career options and understand what you value in a job.
- **Network**, talk to people in roles you are interested in as there are many different job roles in both private/public sector.
- Interested in **investment banking**? Get involved in societies, attend employer events and apply for internships.
- Practise **psychometric tests** and understand the application process e.g. assessment centres
- **Follow small to medium organisations online**, including start-ups, to gain awareness and access to job opportunities.
- **Tailor ALL your applications** to the role. It is a very competitive field and organisations need people with skills that match their competencies.



## Careers in economics helpsheet

More helpsheets available in [Get Started - Career Options](#) guide

## Careers for those studying Economics



### What jobs do Economists do?

Every year data is collected on what happens to UK and EU graduates from universities in the UK based on what activity they were involved in six months after graduation. Nationally economics graduates had a large concentration of graduates who were working in business, HR and finance professions, with 54.3% of those in employment in the UK in these roles compared to 10% of graduates from all subjects. Figures relate to 2016 cohort.

To find out what students from your course here at Bath have gone on to do look at our [What do Bath graduates do?](#) web pages. You may be surprised at the variety of jobs. There are large

### I'm not sure which career to choose

In some occupations your economics knowledge and skills could be central to the job whilst for other jobs they could be an asset, however getting the job could be more reliant on your broader skills and personal qualities. Take time to explore other factors like your values and strengths. Think about what energises you and what de-motivates you. These factors are equally important to consider as your degree subject. For more general help on self-assessment look at the [how to choose a career page on MyFuture](#).

Combine this research with talking to a Careers Adviser so you can start to get some ideas to explore. You don't need to know what you want to do before speaking to a Careers Adviser but





## Questions

- Email us on [careers@bath.ac.uk](mailto:careers@bath.ac.uk)
- Make sure to register on [MyFuture](#)
- Looking for general careers information for final year/postgraduate students? [Check out this video!](#)

