

# Financial Economics

Bachelor of Arts Degree

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## Admission Requirements

*(In years as established by the college)*

A high school diploma with the following specific courses:

- 4 English
- 2 Algebra I & II
- 1 Geometry
- 2 Lab Science (biology & chemistry or physics)
- 2 History/Social Studies
- Academic electives (to equal at least 17 credits)

*To ensure current mathematical skills, students should take a mathematics course during their senior year of high school.*

## Did You Know?

The School of Economics is small enough that we get to know our students and can help them achieve their goals, whether it is going to Europe or Australia for a semester or obtaining a summer internship with a specific type of company. Yet at the same time, the School of Economics is large enough to offer a rich assortment of core economics courses and electives, as well as other student-oriented activities.

## College of Natural Sciences, Forestry, and Agriculture

### Program Description

A degree in financial economics provides students with a strong foundation in economic theory and quantitative methods, along with coursework in the area of business finance. Graduates are well-prepared for lucrative and exciting careers in the fields of finance and banking. Employers regularly ask the School of Economics to recommend recent graduates for jobs.

### Specialized Information

The School of Economics maintains an economics lab where students can seek assistance or discuss economics-related issues. Several of our top students work in the lab and some even serve as teaching assistants in our courses. Because the School of Economics is very active in research, undergraduate students frequently participate in projects and, in some cases, co-author publications.

We encourage our students to take advantage of study abroad and summer internship programs. During a typical semester, several of our students study overseas and most summers, about 10 School of Economics students apply their learning in internships.

The School of Economics has several scholarship funds available to excellent students.

### Associated Honor Societies and Student Organizations

Students are encouraged to join the Student Portfolio Investment Fund (SPIFFY). They also may participate in travel courses to China and Russia, and visits to the New York Stock Exchange and other financial institutions.

### NEBHE Program

Applicants to this program who reside in Vermont are eligible for reduced tuition (in-state plus 50 percent) under the New England Regional Student Program, administered through the New England Board of Higher Education ([nebhe.org](http://nebhe.org)).

### Career and Graduate Opportunities

Private, public and nonprofit sectors

### UMaine Graduate Programs

Master of Arts in Economics  
Master of Arts in Financial Economics  
Master of Science in Resource Economics and Policy

## Representative Courses

ECO 120 Principles of Microeconomics  
ECO 121 Principles of Macroeconomics  
ECO 321 Intermediate Macroeconomics  
ECO 420 Intermediate Microeconomic Theory with Calculus

ECO 339 International Finance  
ECO 353 Money and Banking  
ECO 485 Introduction to Economic Statistics and Econometrics

## About UMaine

The University of Maine, founded in Orono in 1865, is the state's premier public university. It is among the most comprehensive higher education institutions in the Northeast and attracts students from across the U.S. and more than 60 countries. It currently enrolls 12,000 total undergraduate and graduate students who can directly participate in groundbreaking research working with world-class scholars. Students are offered 88 bachelor's degree programs, 64 master's degree programs, 25 doctoral programs and one of the oldest and most prestigious honors programs in the U.S. The university promotes environmental stewardship on its campus, with substantial efforts aimed at conserving energy, recycling and adhering to green building standards in new construction. For more information about UMaine, go online ([umaine.edu](http://umaine.edu)). Equal opportunity information also is available online ([umaine.edu/eo](http://umaine.edu/eo)).

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