What It Is

This track is designed around global economic issues including how countries sustain improvements in peoples’ lives. You will explore causes of poverty and inequality, determinants of growth, development and structural change, the role of the colonial legacy, and contemporary trends of globalization in determining the global division of labor, trade relations and financial flows between rich and poor countries, gender inequality, and the impacts of climate change and environmental problems.

Central Topics

- Economic growth
- Development
- Technological change
- Poverty & inequality in the Global South
- International trade, capital flows, & development policy
- Climate change & environmental problems

Complementary Minors

- International Studies
- Languages, Literatures, and Cultures (LLC)
- Political Science
- Sociology
- International Business

Picture Your Future

International/development economics is often taken up by those who want to make the world a better place. With these courses, you might see yourself:

- working for an international nonprofit or consulting firm
- working for a multilateral institution, such as the World Bank, IMF, or UN
- joining the Peace Corps
- working for a multinational business
- going to graduate school

Courses

In the international/development track, you will take these three courses (9 credits) as part of your economics electives.

ECON 440 Economics of International Trade and Policy
ECON 442 Economics of International Finance and Policy
ECON 460 Economic Development