

College of Business Administration

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

Fact Sheet

Majors/Minors/Concentrations

- ❖ **Majors:**
 - Business Economics (BSBA)
 - Monetary Economics
 - Quantitative Economics
 - General Economics
 - International Economics
 - Urban and Public Affairs
 - International Business (BSBA)
 - Economics (BA)
- ❖ **Minors (available to students from any major or college):**
 - Economics
 - International Business

Student Organizations

- ❖ **The Political Economy Club:** Presents social activities, invites speakers on economic issues, current events, and career opportunities, and fosters student discussion and understanding of professional concerns.
- ❖ **Omicron Delta Epsilon:** The international honor society in economics recognizes upper class students who have shown outstanding achievement in Economics.
- ❖ **Association of Graduate Business Students:** The only recognized student organization at Clarion University exclusively for graduate students.

Scholarships

- ❖ The department offers several awards and scholarships to outstanding students each year, including the **Enid Dennis Scholarship**.

Internships

- ❖ The department has an active internship and cooperative education learning program.

Program Preparation

- ❖ Program graduates have entered such diverse beginning professional positions as financial analyst, management, economist (G-9 federal rating), account executive, budget analyst, sales manager, consultant, banking, labor relations, national intelligence, utility management, community development, and forecasting. These programs also provide strong preparation for graduate education. In a recent survey of graduates, over 60% reported some type of post-graduate education. The most frequent graduate fields selected were MBA, law, and economics.

Department Faculty and Staff

- ❖ All faculty members hold the Ph.D. in Economics and are well versed in foundations of economics, statistics, and teaching approaches. As a consequence, beginning courses are taught by interested and competent faculty.
- ❖ The doctorate degrees are all from distinguished universities. The faculty's educational backgrounds represent a variety of areas of economics, which permits staffing of upper level courses and graduate courses with highly competent specialists.



- ❖ The Department of Economics has an exceptionally high Ph.D. course coverage, and its low student/faculty ratio for majors provides high quality instruction and personal attention to the professional needs of students.
- ❖ Faculty members are actively engaged in numerous professional activities. These include publication in academic journals, leadership positions in professional and business organizations, and presentations and discourse of scholarly research.

Faculty Listings

- ❖ Dr. Robert S. Balough, Ph.D. (1981) Professor
Northern Illinois University, B.A., M.A.,
Ph.D.
- ❖ Ms. Shirley D. Hornberger, Department
Secretary
- ❖ Dr. Rod D. Raehsler, Ph.D. (1992) Professor
and Chairperson
University of Wisconsin – River Falls,
B.S.; University of Nebraska, M.A.;
University of Iowa, Ph.D.
- ❖ Dr. William V. Sanders, Ph.D. (1981) Professor
Indiana University of Pennsylvania,
B.A.; Long Island University, M.C.,
M.A.; Pennsylvania State University,
Ph.D.

- ❖ Dr. Lynn A. Smith, Ph.D. (1989) Associate
Professor
University of Pittsburgh – Johnstown,
B.A.; West Virginia University, M.A.;
University of Pittsburgh, Ph.D.
- ❖ Dr. Soong N. Sohng, Ph.D. (1981) Professor
Seoul National University, B.A.;
Wayne State University, M.A., Ph.D.
- ❖ Dr. William F. Stine, Ph.D. (1981) Professor
University of New Haven, B.B.A.;
Baruch College, M.B.A.; Fordham
University, Ph.D.
- ❖ Dr. Sandra R. Trejos, Ph.D. (2004) Professor
Universidad de Costa Rica, B.S.;
Oklahoma State University, M.S.,
Ph.D.
- ❖ Dr. Paul R. Woodburne, Ph.D. (1999)
Associate Professor
University of California at Riverside,
B.S., Ph.D.; University of New
Hampshire, M.A.
- ❖ Dr. Chin W. Yang, Ph.D. (1981) Professor
College of Chinese Culture, B.A.;
Northwest Missouri State University,
M.B.A.; West Virginia University,
M.A., Ph.D.

For More Information:

E-mail: rraehsler@clarion.edu

Website: <http://www.clarion.edu/econ>

Telephone: 814-393-2627

Fax: 814-393-1910

Text: (814) 682-6221 (College of Business Administration)