Professional Practice of Economics

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This course interweaves the (further) development of general professional writing skills with the learning and use of modern data visualization tools such as Google Sheets and Datawrapper, together with discussion of such important workplace skills as email etiquette, how to write a policy brief, how to market yourself, career development, how to give a presentation, effective leadership, explaining economic concepts in non-technical terms, and how to work effectively in teams. Attention is also devoted to post-graduate training and educational options. Examples used in class encompass a wide range of contemporary workplace challenges and concerns. There are ten in-class group exercises and a group project, as well as individual assignments and a final exam.

Prerequisite: ECON 2030 with a grade of C+ or higher, ECON 2103 with a grade of C+ or higher, ECON 2210 (or equivalent) with a grade of C- or higher, and ECON 2220 (or equivalent) with a grade of C+ or higher.