

## [Top 10 Economics Summer Schools 2012](#)

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Unbeknownst to many, there are a number of summer schools that run from June-August (unless you are in Australia when they run in January) that cover a wide range of economic topics. These courses can be used to fill course deficiencies, expand your knowledge, interact with international students and professors, or give you the chance to travel the world and have an excuse for it! Summer schools are offered at every level of education from first-year economics majors to PhD graduates and in every sub-discipline of economics from A-Z (JEL of course!).

We have done a little bit of research and have listed here some of our favourite summer schools in economics, chosen based on topics, faculty, international focus, and prestige. We have tried our best to publish this before the application deadlines, but if they have passed at least they are now on your radar for next year! (in alphabetical order):

### [Asia Summer Institute in Behavioral Economics](#)

**National University of Singapore, July 23 – August 3, 2012**

The purpose of this summer institute is to introduce graduate students and beginning faculty in economics, business, and related disciplines to the findings and methods of behavioral economics. The teaching faculty includes professors from Harvard University, University of California, Berkeley and California Institute of Technology. The National University of Singapore will cover most participant costs during the conference, including hostel housing and some meals.

### [Barcelona GSE: Labour Economics, Banking, Microeconomics](#)

**Barcelona Graduate School of Economics, June 25 – July 6, 2012**

The 2012 summer course offering includes three professionally oriented summer schools: Labor Economics, Banking, and Microeconometrics. These short summer programs are addressed to researchers, professionals, and graduate students who want to improve their competences in specific fields of knowledge.

**Cambridge Econometrics Summer School**  
**Cambridge University, July 16-23, 2012**

The Summer School is comprised of a series of three 2.5-day courses. The courses are delivered by experienced, leading econometricians from the University of Cambridge. All courses will teach econometrics from an applied perspective and demonstrate the techniques in the internationally used econometric software packages of Stata, EViews and OxMetrics.

**China Economic Summer Institute**  
**Peking University, June 22 – 24, 2012**

The workshop intends to group together the best scholars working on China in China, the US and Europe with other top-level scholars who have an interest in working on China in the future. This initiative is currently co-sponsored by UC Berkeley Center on Institutions and Governance, the University of Chicago Booth School of Business, the School of Economics and Management at Tsinghua University, the Guanghua School of Management at Peking University and a joint program of the LICOS-Center for Institutions and Economic Performance at the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven and Stanford- CASS REAP.

**Financial Markets and the Macroeconomy**  
**Kiel Institute for the World Economy, June 24 – 30, 2012**

The Summer School addresses PhD students and Post-docs with a strong academic record and a keen interest in policy issues, as well as members of financial and policy institutions, including central banks, ministries and international organizations. Speakers include Jean-Claude Trichet, former President, ECB.

**I.S.E.O Summer School: Building the new global welfare after the crisis**  
**Institute for Studies on Economics and Employment, June 23-30, 2012 (Italy)**

Nobel Laureates and outstanding economists from all over the world will lecture every day and will be at disposal of the attendants for the whole week. Lecturers will focus on several important aspects of the new global economic equilibrium. The aim of the Summer School is that of gathering a large number of graduates in Economics or Social Sciences coming from the most important international universities to improve their knowledge in economics.

**International Entrepreneurship, Summer School Poland**  
**Wroclaw University of Economics, June 30 – July 14, 2012**

Summer School Poland is an intensive study and fun program through which for students and graduates of all majors. Undergraduate and Postgraduate programmes will be taught in Economics and Business Finance and International Business Management and Strategy.

**International Summer Program in Economics Education**  
**Hebrew University, July 15 – August 16, 2012**

A new five-week Summer School in Economics for international undergraduate and MA students with some background in Economics. Two major components of the program will include

advancing the students' knowledge of Economics and research skills and graduate application advising.

**London School of Economics Summer School**

**LSE, July 2 – 20, 2012 & July 23 – August 10, 2012**

The Summer School offers 60 intensively taught 3-week university level courses in Accounting, Finance, Law, Economics, International Relations, Government and Society, and Management which are taught at a London based campus. Application is open for undergraduate students, postgraduate students and professionals.

**Summer School in Law and Economics: Property Rights and Private Law**

**The University of Chicago Law School, July 9 – 20, 2012**

The program for the 2012 Summer School will have four subject units. Lectures will be delivered by Chicago's most prominent Law and Economics faculty. The University of Chicago invites Scholars from Mainland China, Hong Kong, and Taiwan to apply to the two- week program.

This is by no means a comprehensive list and we welcome additions, especially if you have had personal experience at one of these courses!