

4 Es: Education, Ethiopia, Economics, and Experience

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with different interests. As I've already mentioned, my love for business and economics is the reason I'm here studying it to make it my career in life.

My interest in business may have been influenced by the fact that both of my parents work in it. I've taken several economics classes in the past, and I'm still taking them because it's the only subject I find so fascinating. People may wonder why I don't get bored with it, but in all honesty, I'm happy to take economics classes as often as I can. Economics enables us to think logically and view business in terms of specific economic concepts rather than how we would typically view it. I feel like I'm taking baby steps to build my career in business and economics as a student-worker here at ASU at Lake Havasu. I feel like it is a win-win when you get the chance to work to develop your experience for your major and have fun at the same time.



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Leaving behind families and friends and moving to a foreign country is a big step for every international student. Education plays a big role in teenagers' lives—it fosters awareness, fosters open-mindedness, and fosters optimism about the world. It also helps people become more logical. We international students look for better educational opportunities and employment opportunities that will push us outside of our comfort zones and into new environments. My family prioritized education when I was growing up, so I came to believe that getting an education was the only surefire way to succeed in life. Ethiopia is a developing nation in east Africa that employs a strict approach to education. Ethiopian students are under a lot of pressure and have a heavy workload compared to students in American schools. When I moved to the United States to study Business Administration, classes weren't challenging for me because of the way I had learned in my country. School in the US is much simpler and clearer compared to Ethiopia. There are wide areas of different fields for students



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