The Mission of the Department of Economics at the University of Hawaii at Hilo is:

To assist individuals in acquiring the knowledge and skills necessary for sound decision-making in their personal and professional lives. The Department serves students and communities of the Island and State of Hawaii, as well as students from the North American mainland and the Asia/Pacific region.

Goals for the Economics Department:

1. Providing a personalized, high-quality baccalaureate economics education.
2. Inspiring the awareness and development of values and leadership skills within a context of cultural diversity.
3. Offering opportunities for hands-on learning through research and simulation experiences.
4. Offering academic programs responsive to community needs, and
5. Supporting faculty excellence in research and in teaching.