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After Williams I worked in strategy consulting for two years in San Francisco. Since then, I've spent three years working on strategic initiatives at an education non-profit in Johannesburg. Studying Political Economy / Economics at Williams helped me develop very transferable skills, even if I didn't strictly work as an economist. I'd say that the combination of quantitative and social/behavioral skills makes for a powerful arsenal for almost any industry. Ultimately, people need to understand that they will learn most "professional" skills on the job, so I'd recommend that at Williams they pursue a well-rounded education that makes them really good at learning... because they'll have to keep learning their whole lives!