With a 3.8 GPA, you're in a strong position to apply to many excellent economics programs. Below is a list of 50 colleges that offer strong economics departments, ranging from highly competitive to well-regarded institutions that may be slightly less selective but still offer top-tier opportunities.

Top Tier Schools (Highly Competitive)

1. **Harvard University** (Cambridge, MA)

2. **Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)** (Cambridge, MA)

3. **Stanford University** (Stanford, CA)

4. **Princeton University** (Princeton, NJ)

5. **University of Chicago** (Chicago, IL)

6. **Columbia University** (New York, NY)

7. **Yale University** (New Haven, CT)

8. **University of California, Berkeley** (Berkeley, CA)

9. **University of Pennsylvania** (Philadelphia, PA)

10. **Northwestern University** (Evanston, IL)

Highly Selective Schools

11. **New York University (NYU)** (New York, NY)

12. **University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)** (Los Angeles, CA)

13. **University of Michigan** (Ann Arbor, MI)

14. **University of California, San Diego (UCSD)** (San Diego, CA)

15. **Duke University** (Durham, NC)

16. **University of California, Santa Barbara (UCSB)** (Santa Barbara, CA)

17. **University of Virginia** (Charlottesville, VA)

18. **University of Southern California (USC)** (Los Angeles, CA)

19. **Brown University** (Providence, RI)

20. **Cornell University** (Ithaca, NY)

Strong National Universities

21. **Boston College** (Chestnut Hill, MA)

22. **University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill** (Chapel Hill, NC)

23. **University of Florida** (Gainesville, FL)

24. **University of Texas at Austin** (Austin, TX)

25. **University of Wisconsin-Madison** (Madison, WI)

26. **University of Maryland, College Park** (College Park, MD)

27. **Indiana University Bloomington** (Bloomington, IN)

28. **University of Minnesota Twin Cities** (Minneapolis, MN)

29. **University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign** (Champaign, IL)

30. **University of Pittsburgh** (Pittsburgh, PA)

Mid-Range Selectivity

31. **Ohio State University** (Columbus, OH)

32. **Michigan State University** (East Lansing, MI)

33. **University of Miami** (Coral Gables, FL)

34. **University of Connecticut** (Storrs, CT)

35. **University of Denver** (Denver, CO)

36. **Florida State University** (Tallahassee, FL)

37. **University of Arizona** (Tucson, AZ)

38. **University of Kansas** (Lawrence, KS)

39. **University of Iowa** (Iowa City, IA)

40. **University of South Carolina** (Columbia, SC)

Solid Programs with Less Selectivity

41. **University of Oklahoma** (Norman, OK)

42. **University of Tennessee, Knoxville** (Knoxville, TN)

43. **University of Nebraska-Lincoln** (Lincoln, NE)

44. **University of Alabama** (Tuscaloosa, AL)

45. **University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee** (Milwaukee, WI)

46. **University of New Hampshire** (Durham, NH)

47. **University of Missouri** (Columbia, MO)

48. **University of Rhode Island** (Kingston, RI)

49. **University of Texas at Arlington** (Arlington, TX)

50. **University of Delaware** (Newark, DE)