

# **Business Students' Co-op and Internship Information Use**

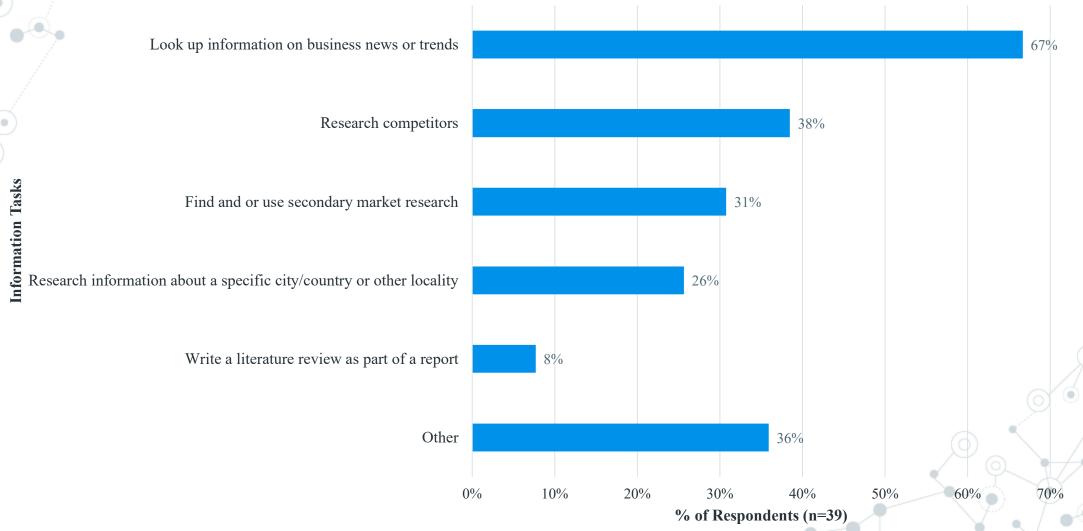
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#### Research Questions

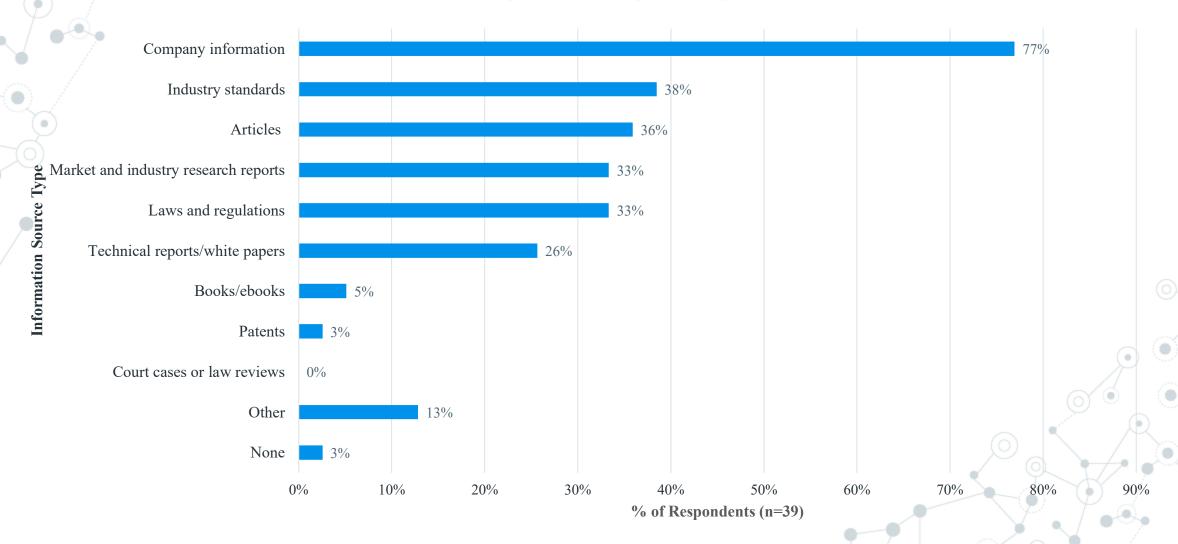
RQ1: What types of information tasks do undergraduate business students complete during co-ops and internships?

RQ2: What types of information sources do undergraduate business students use during coops and internships? How did they first learn about these sources and what is their perceived difficulty in finding these sources?

## Information Task(s) Completed During Business Student Internship/Co-op Experiences



### Information Source Type(s) Used During Business Student Internship/Co-op Experiences



#### Five Most Frequently Used Information Source Types by Major (n=39 responses; 13 respondents selected multiple majors)

|   | Major            | #  | Company information | Industry<br>standards | Articles | Market & industry research reports | Laws & regulations |
|---|------------------|----|---------------------|-----------------------|----------|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| ŭ | Accounting       | 10 | 8                   | 6                     | 2        | 1                                  | 6                  |
| _ | Supply Chain     | 9  | 6                   | 3                     | 2        | 5                                  | 1                  |
|   | Finance          | 8  | 6                   | 4                     | 2        | 4                                  | 2                  |
|   | IB & Engineering | 6  | 4                   | 3                     | 2        | 0                                  | 1                  |
| 0 | Marketing        | 6  | 6                   | 1                     | 2        | 1                                  | 2                  |
| \ | Management       | 5  | 3                   | 1                     | 4        | 2                                  | 2                  |
| 1 | Non-business*    | 3  | 2                   | 1                     | 3        | 1                                  | 1                  |
|   | Economics        | 2  | 2                   | 1                     | 1        | 2                                  | 0                  |
|   | MS/MBA           | 2  | 2                   | 1                     | 1        | 2                                  | 1                  |
|   | MS HRM           | 1  | 0                   | 0                     | 1        | 0                                  | 0                  |

<sup>\*</sup>Non-business included respondents with double majors in a business area and a non-business area (Spanish, communication, or computer science).