# INTERNSHIP AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT STUDENT SURVEY

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# **OBJECTIVES & METHODS**

## **Objectives:**

- Gauge students' awareness and perceptions surrounding Internship and Career Development and its services
- Learn how to better serve the student body and promote Internship and Career Development's services/events

## **Methods:**

- Series of 13 questions
- Conducted survey for 2 weeks
- Promoted via social media, flyers, and email
- Encouraged participation through prizes

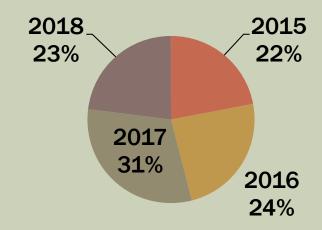
## **DEMOGRAPHICS**



n = 275 completes

## Top 5 majors:

- 1. Psychology
- 2. Public Health
- 3. Business Management
- 4. Neuroscience
- 5. Economics



# STUDENT PERCEPTIONS

Hurdles	True	False	I don't know
It is difficult to fit time for an internship into my schedule	<u>63%</u>	27%	10%
I am nervous that I am unprepared for an internship	<u>56%</u>	38%	6%
It is difficult to find an internship in my area of study	44%	38%	18%
I think I am pretty good at networking	32.06%	45.29%	22.65%

Perceptions	True	False	l don't know
Agnes Scott Alumnae are very open to helping current students find internships and jobs	49%	10%	41%
For-credit internships required at least 10 hours of work per week for 13 weeks	44%	4%	<u>52%</u>
The Hire a Scottie jobs board is a good resource for internship and job information	43%	15%	<u>42%</u>

# STUDENT AWARENESS

Do we offer this service?	Yes	No	I don't know
Strength assessments	41%	5%	<u>54%</u>
Help with LinkedIn Profile	53%	4%	<u>43%</u>
Career panels	61%	5%	<u>34%</u>
Alumnae networking	62%	6%	<u>33%</u>
Help with personal statements and graduate applications	67%	2%	<u>31%</u>
Mock Interviews	71%	1%	<u>28%</u>

# GAPS IN SERVICES AND USE

How important is this service? Have you used it?

Top 5 services students found important	Very Important	Yes
Resume/CV critique	83%	<u>52%</u>
Help with personal statements and graduate applications	81%	<u>12%</u>
Help with cover letters	81%	<u>27%</u>
One-on-one appointments	78%	<u>48%</u>
On-campus career fairs	76%	<u>27%</u>

\*Percentages reflect entire survey population

# WHAT STUDENTS HAVE DONE

Activity	% completed
Created a professional resume	67%
Written a cover letter	50%
Created a LinkedIn profile	42%
Applied for a summer internship	59%
Applied for an internship during academic semester	33%
Accepted an offer for an internship	39%
Completed a for-credit internship	<u>15%</u>
Applied for a summer REU (research experience for undergraduates)	9%
Completed a summer REU	<u>5%</u>

## WHAT STUDENTS WANT

#### Alumnae relations:

"More opportunities to connect with alumnae in high positions/our potential career field (i.e. directory/binder with job/contact info). Mount Holyoke provides a service like this."

#### **On-campus career fairs:**

"I would love to have a career fair at Agnes Scott."

#### Networking:

"Increased opportunities to connect with the broader Atlanta community."

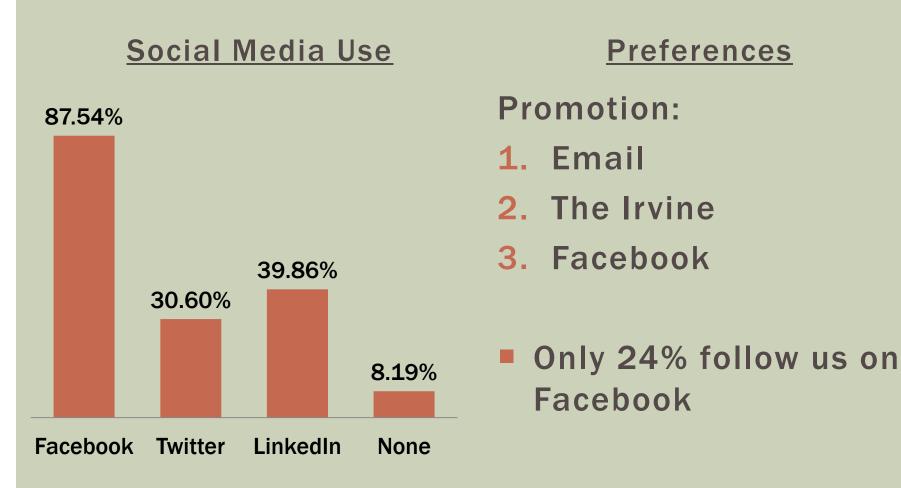
#### **Help with graduate schools:**

"Help finding and applying to grad school! Also, preparation for exams, such as GRE, LSAT, MCAT, etc."

### **Diverse internships:**

"A lot of the internships that go out are more suited for Econ/Business majors. Some diversity would be nice, not just for science majors but also for humanities."

## **SOCIAL MEDIA & PROMOTION**



# CONCLUSION

Lack of awareness

**Educate student body** 

Gaps in perceptions and use

Survey on gaps

Desire for more professional opportunities

Reevaluate services

Preferred ways of communication

**Increase marketing**