



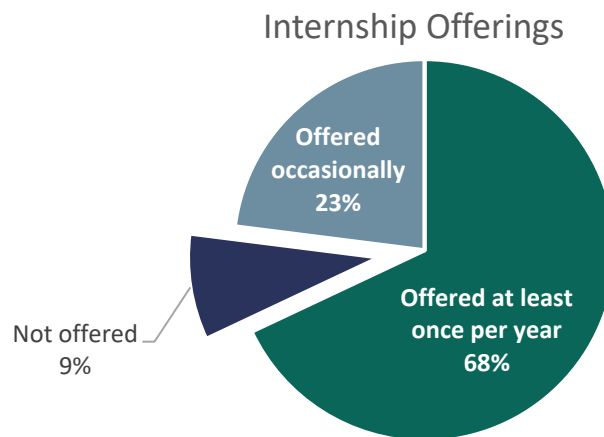
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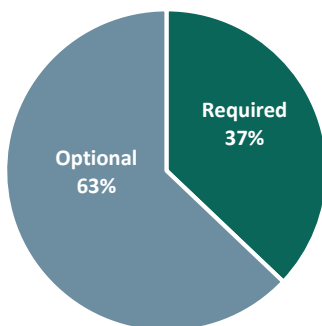
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BA CAREER PREPARATION: INTERNSHIP OFFERINGS

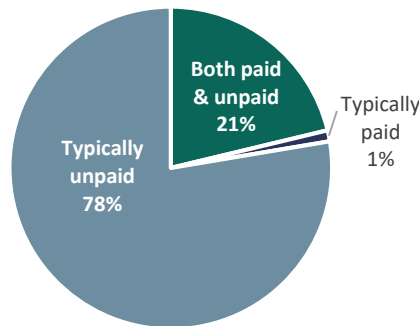
Internships can greatly increase the chances an employer will seriously consider a recent graduate's application.¹ In a 2016 survey of department chairs, virtually all sociology departments (91 percent) reported offering internships to their undergraduates at least occasionally, including 68 percent that offered them once per year. Although internships are available, many of them are not required of students (63 percent) and many more are unpaid (78 percent). As a result, departments report very low student participation. Nearly three-quarters of departments reported that "fewer than half" or "very few" students completed an internship as part of their major.



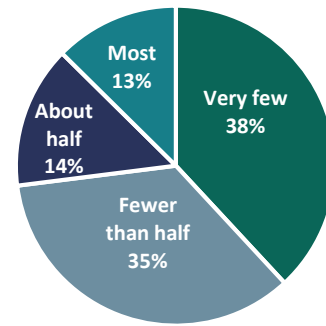
Required or Optional



Paid or Unpaid



Student Participation



Note: Percentages are weighted to adjust for survey nonresponse, based on the universe of sociology degree-granting departments (bachelor's or higher).

Source: American Sociological Association Department Survey, Fall 2016.

¹ Hart Research Associates. 2018. "Fulfilling the American Dream: Liberal Education and the Future of Work." Washington, D.C.: Association of American Colleges and Universities.