How do you feel your experiences outside of your regular classroom assignments effected your current situation?

My internship lead to a job offer, and without the valuable experiences I gained from the research I conducted I would not have been able to land my internship.

They helped me build my resume which allowed me to get my foot in the door for employment opportunities and I got lucky with one that liked me. I'd had maybe 6 or 7companies I interviewed with but my experiences were just to help establish a chance to get an offer.

My external internships were critical for me landing a job post grad

Since I didn't do many extracurriculars I'm not sure, but I believe doing more outside the classroom would have benefitted me. I commuted to school and worked though, so participating in extra activities was very difficult

Doing research helped me understand I did not want to be a professor, and to explore other options.

A litte bit of influence but now in graduate program for mathed

I participated in an REU in 2021 at Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health and now currently pursuing my Masters of Science in Cardiovascular Epidemiology at the same school.

They enriched my skills to be able to apply what I had learned in the classroom to real-world problems.

I did not participate enough in research opportunities or internships. I wish I had spent more time applying statistics outside of the classroom so to build my confidence for graduate programs or employment.

I wish I had been able to find and participate in more research experiences or projects analyzing data before graduating.

i believe my experiences outside of the classroom helped teach me everything i knew about data science in the "real world" and in post grad roles

positively

Very heavily. Through outside experience, I learned Python and SQL, learned how to work on data science projects with a team, and learned how to meet the specific needs of clients

They inspired me to work in education

Helpful

My research helped prepare me for the processes of my current job (also research)

The internships I had were significant in allowing me to get a job after graduation

I talk a lot about my independent study project during interviews so I think that experience definitely helped me strengthen my resume and provide lasting experiential benefits

Not much

Have helped establish the fundamentals, but have not utilized any specific highly theoretical topics from the major.

It helps me build more experience in real world

I was on the [athletic] team, which impacted my academic life greatly. I took finals proctored on the road, was missing lectures for games, etc. it helped me develop personal responsibility and advocacy, and challenged myself to balance two demanding things.

Over my undergrad experience I completed 3 summer internships in addition to 1 on campus research experience and 1 research fellowship. This allowed me to have a very robust resume at the time of graduation

It gave me extra opportunities to use my skills, and apply them to real world data.

Not too much.

I wish I was coached a little bit more before going to things like a hack-a-thon or conference and I wish someone told me that while the content or project is important it is also way more important to network with the individuals at the event.

I completed a few Data Analytics Certification courses which helped me get accustomed to what my career would look like after college.

Contributed to my experience and resume and gave me more to talk about during interviews, as well as look back on.

I learned much more outside of the classroom than inside.

I feel that my internships outside the classroom as well as independent research work helped to further my understanding of math/statistics and prepared me for my current graduate degree.

My outside experiences provided me with the knowledge and skills to excel in my current job. By participating in undergraduate research, I was able to apply to jobs in academia and gain my current position.

Helped with my learning of data and statistics concepts that would be useful in the workplace

Being a TA is good experience in teaching, public speaking, and general communication as well as making you more of a subject expert in whatever class you're teaching.

My internships allowed me to experience corporate life before graduating. Starting my first job, I felt completely prepared.

I mainly participated in leadership and volunteer activities. I think it helped me get into graduate school and learn about being a leader in health fields

I think that they helped me contextualize statistics in the real world and how it can be applied to fields such as insurance.

My research experiences outside, particulary the two data science/statistics REUs that I did, helped me gain on-hand experience with real-world data which helped me gain statistical skills not possible in the classroom.

I think they were key to where I am now.

I believe that My experiences outside of the classroom are the reason i was able to get the job that i have, because they gave me practical experience that both strengthened by skills and strengthened my resume.

It gave me a sense of direction for my graduate studies

Positively

My on-campus research experience was critical to my career path. I will be starting a PhD in May, and my positive undergraduate research experience was what got me here.

It helps in terms of understanding how what I've learned in classroom assignments can be applied.

These experiences set me up to better understand how my skills can apply in the real world context.

I feel as if they had no impact. I have significant project, research, and internship experiences and I still have not found a degree-relevant career. The job market is terrible.

Crucial to my current successes.

I feel the capstone project and research I did had no effect on my current situation. The research had nothing to do with anything I was interested in and I quit it before I ever got to do much. The capstone project was pretty much a review of a bunch of my previous classes and the final project was similar to final projects in normal classes.

I got hired because of the internship I had off campus

I feel that they have only helped, I just wish I would have done more of them.

Out of class experiences in my field were a huge help to prepare me for the workforce in the industry I wanted to go into. They were very helpful in presenting real world applications for the class material I had been learning.

It has helped slightly

None

The internships and research experience increased my marketability

I graduated very quickly which left very little time for outside experiences related to my field

I could've scouted an internship.

I think my internship helped me significantly in landing a job after graduation.

The mathematical research I did helped me achieve rigor necessary for my current masters program

My experience outside of the classroom taught me about how to handle and clean messy datasets

My internships were vital to achieving my current position.

It definitely helped me. I felt that many of the stats professors were more academic focused, and lacked job related knowledge. We had to research these things independent of our classes

Both were extremely important, I applied what I learned in the classroom in independent projects/competitions that caught the attention of employers

Helped a lot, but did contribute a lot to stress at the same time as they often stacked on top of other responsibilities.

Easy to get a job

I think experiences outside of my regular class assignments helped best prepare me for the workforce and differentiate me in interviews.

Helpful in general

Experiences outside classroom assignments allowed me to further explore my interests and helped me to impress job interviewers

I really enjoy research, so the opportunity to participate in clinical trial research and other science research was rewarding.

My (off and on campus)internships had the biggest impact on my current situation.

It helps and shapes my view for future. I wish I could have continued one of my research experience to help me gain more insights for Graduate study

Not that much. The research I did wasn't really relevant to statistics.

I learned a lot from them, and my internship helped me get my current job.

They built up my resume for grad school application. And faculties, Ph.D. mentors, and peer students I met offered me valuable advice and insights into turning points in my life.

It helped me network & prepare for my future experiences

Not to much effect

Internships were crucial in giving me industry exposure and helping me narrow what i wanted to do after graduation.

I don't feel like they have potential positive effects on my current situation since I'm still searching for full-time opportunities. The internship experience was at a non-profit organization and it didn't turn into a full-time offer. The research experience was during my first-year at the university and it's not related to my majors.

Working in industry gives me a lot of confidence and enables me to acquire on-the-job skills that are super useful for my current industry job

It helps me see classroom material in action and further motivates me

They were very helpful in getting a job and growing my passion for statistics and abilities to apply what I learned in class.

I feel that they may have helped me get into grad school but have not really helped in my job search.

It helped me see all the different Ways my education can be used for good

The internship I did directly related to my capstone, so it was able to heighten my academic prowess.

It has prepared me for graduate school which I am now attending.

Helped me learn how to apply data in a corporate and business environment.

Gave a greater context for fields or subfields I might be interested in pursuing later in life, as well as helped me form connections with peers and faculty I wouldn't have otherwise.

I did a Summer Institute in Biostatistics at [school] which I feel really helped me better understand what kind of jobs and/or graduate programs I wanted to pursue.

They lead me to where I am currently. The experience outside of the classroom was invaluable to gaining entry into my current field of work.

It certainly prepared me for more hand-on understanding of the processes and problems faced by Data Scientist

They gave me necessary skills to thrive in the workforce.

The ability to apply what I was learning in statistics and machine learning to live problems really expanded my view of what I would be capable of with this degree.

I think it was very important to have experience working outside of the classroom on research and projects so I could apply that to what I currently do, which is a data science position at a corporate office.

I couldn't get into the graduate program that I did without my summer research experience that was sponsored by the statistics department.

Gave me a good sense of expectations and knowledge I needed to know. Also gave me a network of people with similar interests.

Improved understanding of the knowledge and skillset required to do cutting edge research

Not much

My most valuable experiences came from the REU in Health Data Science at [school] and by conducting computational biology research at [company]

Very beneficial to choosing advanced education path.

My software engineering internship confirmed to me that software engineering was an acceptable job post graduation. My role as a TA allowed me to enjoy engaging with statistics after taking the class. My biology research experience discouraged me from pursuing post-grad education for a biology career.

They helped to prepare me for where I am now

Helped me land a job.

Doing professional internships helped me understand what I wanted to do professionally and directly lead to my first full time job via a return offer I received before my senior year.

I think that my experiences outside of the classroom had a greater impact on my ability to start my career than my degree itself.

I suppose the experience helped improve my coding skills, however, I still do not qualify for jobs like software engineering. Nevertheless, the experience helped me know research process, which can help me in my future studies.

It was crucial to the job I was able to get.

I think the experiences I got were better at helping me gain exposure of what the career prospects my degree can provide.

My internship experience was crucial to my professional development

My internship helped me get recognized and receive a job from my current company.

The work experience was important for my career post grad. And would help me get into grad school if that's what I desire.

Doing undergraduate research gave me the experience and skills to successfully find my current opportunity, and confidently use my knowledge in a new field.

My NSF REUs and my undergraduate research were the main thing that got me into my PhD program

It helped me decided which career path I wanted to follow.

Good

I think they helped me understand what the real work environment looked like after graduation, and prepared my soft skills outside the classroom.

They led to me having the job that I currently do, though I would have had a job I was happy with available following graduation regardless.

Helped a lot on my job seeking

As useful or more useful than course material for my current job.

Benefited my resume and job search

My experience at the Statistical Consulting Center as an undergraduate has had no effect on my current situation.

The helped elevate my interest in statistics, which greatly helped me get into graduate school.

My thesis prepared me for created comprehensive research documents: a skill that has proven invaluable in Law School.

Prepared me for a world outside of school and granted me opportunities to expand my network.

it is a little useful.

The outside of the class internship was essential in getting me my current position

My current job involves collecting and visualizing data to present to decision makers. My thesis provided some additional experience in this type of work and may have contributed to my selection for the role.

They provided good experiences/projects that I could speak to during interviews.

The NSF study helped a lot with my confidence in my R skills and statistical knowledge

They cultivated an interest in learning more about statistics and economics.

It helped me to get into and prepared me for graduate school

Great

I feel as though my experiences outside of classroom assignments resulted in me needing to go get my master's due to lack of job opportunities for myself. As an internship that would've lasted more than 3 months would've given me the necessary experience, I believe.

Made a huge difference in being able to have relevant experience in what I wanted to do as a career.

Extremely influential. I interned at the place I now work full-time.

I got me the job that I have today

It really helped. It gave me something to discuss during job interviews that the interviewers found really interesting

They just gave me some experience to put on my resume

I think my lack of experiences outside my regular classroom assignments has hurt my ability to get a job.

My internship although not directly stats related gave me business experience which led to the development of skills I use now.

My internship helped me apply my skills and benefit me only a little bit

My internships did much for helping me get my current job than any of my coursework did

Very much so! Those experiences gave me context for my degree and helped me to realize which parts of the degree are the most important.

I gained a lot of insight as to what businesses target to have completed vs what schools teach. I also learned a few technical skills that I still apply today.

My industry internship is what got me the job I currently have

Very much. I worked on and off campus in a statistics related field.

The internship I had the summer before graduating led to my current full time role with that same company.

They greatly influenced my current situation, as I was able to parlay my work experience outside of school into my current position.

Absolutely. My off-campus internship ended up placing me in the job I had after graduation.

Helped me gain experience for the workforce.

Little to no effect. I did not get a job related to teaching or natural language processing.

I didn't participate in any experiences outside a classroom other than a job at [company] that didn't relate to my study of statistics.

My experiences outside of class made a huge impact on helping me learn the direction I wanted to go with my life.

I worked in tech full time while I was getting my degree.

Honestly, working part time in the industry during the last 2 years of undergrad helped me immensely. It gave me the skills that are in-demand, but that universities don't teach. It made me stand out and was valuable experience.

Beneficial

Helped me apply skills I learned in the classroom.

Real world experience via internships and capstone projects were essential to learning needed skills and being able to have experiences to talk about in interviews. I don't think I would have been half as successful in interviews without those experiences.

It's the reason I have a job. Very positive experience.

My off-campus internship became an offer of full-time employment after graduation, so the internship was extremely important to my current employment

It helped me get a full time job so I'm glad that I had it.

It would have been beneficial to participate in more statistics related experiences outside of the classroom.

I learned more outside the classroom than inside. Having graduated, I learned that my program was lackluster and overly focused on old, frequentist statistics in R.

Huge impact. Wouldn't have the job(s) or experience I do without them.

N/a

These experiences were for my minor in women's studies, so they did not affect my current situation

My experience didnt help, but a more applicable experience wouldve.

Internships were cruciall

The majority of what I do for work was learned outside of classrooms and was extremely impactful. I feel those experiences affected my current situation greatly.

Helpful. I wish I had done more internships. I was also a student athlete which was very time consuming.

They both gave me an understanding of what actually working a real job in the field was going to be like.

They greatly helped me get into medical school

The best thing I ever did in school was participate in an on-campus job that gave me the necessary skills and mentorship to land a job in my desired career field and industry,.

I have a different perspective because I did not participate in many outside activities, and I can see the value in them from my position. If I had participated in those experiences, especially an internship, I would feel much more prepared.

The Work was far more valuable

My internship got me a return offer which was how I got a job.

I don't think they effected my current situation at all (though they might have affected it by giving me experience working with a professor over an extended period of time who could now write me a letter of recommendation for grad school).

They were a huge help. I really appreciated the opportunities to translate what I was learning to actual use-cases.

Fine

Solidified understanding of course material and/or revealed areas that required further learning. Gave real-world and more flexible opportunity to apply statistical knowledge to a chosen project or non-stats related field.

They provided me with real data experiences, which was extremely beneficial to me in my current job.

The capstone project I did had a great deal of influence on me getting an off campus internship and that internship had a big influence on my getting my current job. Overall those experiences outside of the regular classroom helped my resume and made the job search a lot easier.

I think I learned more from my off campus research experience. I was able to take a lot of classroom examples and see how they played out and actually conduct research from step 1 to the finished product.

Helped me with getting a job. Reinforced soft skills

They introduced me to a broad range of topics which is useful

They helped me have professional experience that showed employers that I knew how to work in a practical setting

Internships helped grow my resume

Being able to take graduate courses during my undergraduate career accelerated my progress in acquiring a Masters degree, which I am currently now doing in one year.

They were more applicable to what I do now in my career.

They contributed quite a bit.

They helped

Helped me get a job

I learned additional valuable skills outside the classroom the aided my professional and academic development.

Great network and opportunities from instructors and the university

Kept me busier and forced me to take time management seriously

They helped me getting a job, I learned useful skills that can be applied to my job.

it completely changed my trajectory for grad schools

They were not that helpful

I was disappointed with the outcome of both my on-campus research and internship experiences, in terms of learning outcomes, tangible results, and growth opportunities. This led me to graduate early and apply to graduate programs at other institutions.

I could not have landed the job I did without completing multiple off-campus internships during my undergrad career.

They gave me perspective of what I want in a job

Apart from the work necessary to get internships, it was not necessary. I enjoyed engaging with my community but there was no need from an academic perspective.

My internship was in civil engineering so it has not helped me further my career in statistics.

My internship primarily led to my current job.

They had a very positive effect on my current situation, especially my creative writing courses and all the friends that I made during my college journey.

They better prepared me for work after graduation.

I wish I had more experiences outside of classroom

I wish I could have been more involved in research while in undergrad or participated in an REU/internship. I think having more experience would have better prepared me in my job hunt

The experiences I gained outside of my regular classroom assignments (especially those related to research) definitely helped me prepare myself as a student and competitive candidate for the Statistics PhD program I am currently in.

Great influence

Possibly boost my resume

So far I have not gotten a job so I don't think it helped much

Greatly as it allowed me to become a more well-rounded person rather than a strictly academic focused person. It also led to networking opportunities which have helped me in my current position and hopefully in the future when I go back to school / look for a bigger job.