Internships are becoming increasingly important. Although recent economic conditions may seem to suggest the opposite, more and more students are turning to internships outside of school to further their education and demonstrate commitment to employers. This infographic outlines some important statistics and trends in internships, including supply and demand, who gets hired, the internship, compensation, and internships to jobs.

Supply and Demand
- 36% of seniors were employed full-time during the fall of 2016.
- 53% of seniors were employed full-time during the fall of 2017.
- 65% of seniors were employed full-time during the fall of 2018.
- 63% of the Class of 2012 completed a full-time internship.
- 28% of the Class of 2012 completed a full-time internship.

Who Gets Hired?
Most important qualities employers consider when hiring an intern are:
- Interview performance (66%)
- Relevant experience (21%)
- 83% of employers would consider intern applicants for full-time positions.

The Internship
- Students:
  - 47% spend 30-40 hours per week.
  - 85% work for pay.
- Employers:
  - 86% use seasonal interns.
  - 10% use unpaid interns.

Compensation
- Paid vs. unpaid:
  - 1/3 of students are paid.
  - 2/3 of students are unpaid.
- 72% of students consider compensation the most important factor when considering an internship.

Internships to Jobs
- 69% of internships will lead to full-time employment.
- 39% of internships will lead to part-time employment.
- 22% of internships will lead to a job offer.

Virtual Internship
- 33% of interns are on virtual internships.
- 20% have been online since 2013.
- 71% of students would consider a virtual internship.

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