Undergraduate Research Assistants Spring 2018

MCCOMBS STUDENT	MCCOMBS FACULTY	PROJECT	URA DUTIES
Kristina Tubera	David Harrison (MAN	Complements or Clones?: How similarity between a leader and their second-in-command affects group outcomes.	Helped with the collection and preparation of archival data about CEOs and COOs. Their primary task was to assist with the development of a tool that extracts sections of text from more than 5,000 earnings call transcripts and prepares that text for analysis with LIWC. Also aided in the construction of a large database linking this text data with data collected from other sources.
Maitreya Movva	Douglas Hannah (MAN)	Building multi-sided markets: The case of Lyft, Inc.	Gathered data from a variety of sources, including analyst reports, press coverage, and personal observation. He then synthesized this data into a comprehensive longitudinal case study of Lyft, with specific attention to the firm's growth strategy over time, providing a rich summary of Lyft's founding, evolution, and rise to an \$11B company.
Barbara Sun	Shuping Chen (ACC)	Earnings growth pressure and bank loan quality.	Gathered executive ownership data from banks' proxy statements.
Anurag Bansal	Jonathan Cohn (FIN)	Analysis of SEC 13-D and 13-G filings	Read and analyzed hundreds of SEC 13-D and 13-G filings, which an investor is required to file upon accumulating more than 5% of an exchange-listed company's outstanding shares. From each filing, then encoded information about the filer, the company, and the investor's stated purpose in acquiring a large position in the stock.

Jacob Peel	Huseyin Tanriverdi (IROM)	Financial Identity Theft: Determinants of Initial Financial Loss and Effectiveness of Loss Recovery Mechanisms. Data Breaches in U.S Federal Government.	Helped with a review of the identity theft literature and empirical analysis of legacy IT systems vulnerabilities and increased data breaches in federal agencies. Researched the literature on legacy IT systems to help develop some explanations as to why the federal agencies are not able to replace the legacy systems with modern systems and what kinds of data security and privacy vulnerabilities are present in legacy IT systems.
Poonam Agrawal	Y. Sekou Bermiss (MAN)	Executive Mobility and Resource Configuration in Complex Environments	Located specific media industry data for manuscript revision (the largest television and radio advertisers in the years 1949-1955) and then digitized, coded, and formatted the raw data so that it could be merged to the pre-existing dataset.
Sai Andanamala, Anning Xu, Sarah Noor, Saumya Gupta, Anesh Rao, Will Acheampong, and Shayan Ali	McCombs Behavioral Lab		The Behavioral Research lab URAs assisted with the data collection of any research project that used the lab. They checked participants into the studies, obtained informed consent, provided participants with instructions, and supervised the data collection sessions. The URAs also assisted with participant recruitment throughout the semester.