**ABSTRACT** 

The Influence of Perceived Social Support on Career Adaptability in MBKM

**Internship Students** 

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This study aims to examine the effect of perceived social support on career

adaptability among MBKM internship students. Career adaptability refers to an

individual's ability to cope with career demands, job transitions, and unforeseen

challenges. Perceived social support is derived from family, friends, and significant

others. The research method employed is quantitative with a simple linear

regression approach. The study participants included 393 students currently

undertaking MBKM internships. The findings reveal that perceived social support

has no significant effect on career adaptability. Potential contributing factors to

this result include irrelevant quality of social support, the relatively short internship

duration, and unmeasured mediating variables such as self-efficacy or career

optimism. This research provides insights into the importance of aligning social

support with the career needs of internship students.

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