



Credential Design Lab: Business Education

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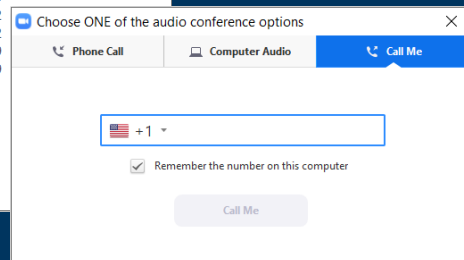
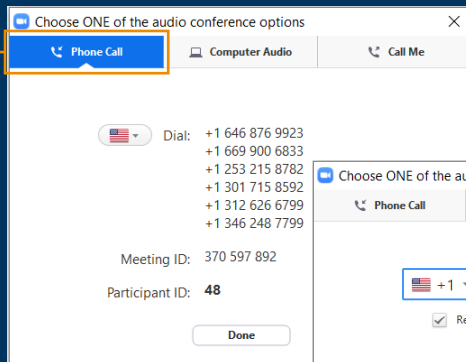
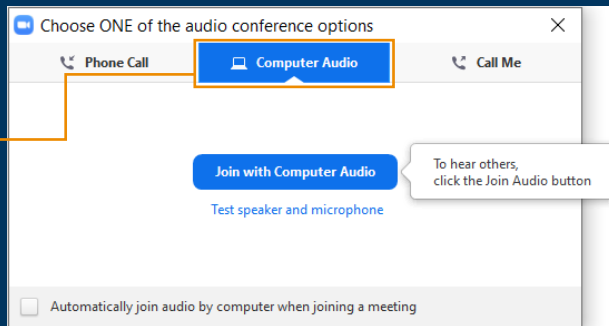
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Audio

- We suggest using your computer's audio and microphone through Zoom
- Or dial in using your phone
- Do not use both—it will cause feedback



Audio Mute/Unmute and Video Stop/Start

The screenshot displays a Zoom meeting window. At the top, the EAB logo is visible. The main content area shows the text "EAB Virtual Session" on a blue background with a geometric pattern. A large, semi-transparent black control bar is overlaid on the bottom half of the screen. This bar contains four icons: a microphone with a red slash, an up arrow, a video camera with a red slash, and another up arrow. Below these icons are the labels "Unmute" and "Start Video". A callout box on the left points to the microphone icon, stating: "Red slashes mean your microphone is muted and your camera is off". A callout box on the right points to the up arrow next to the video icon, stating: "Access audio and video options by clicking the up arrow next to the Mic and Camera icon". At the bottom of the Zoom window, a smaller toolbar is visible with icons for Mute, Stop Video, Invite, Participants, Share, Chat, Record, and a red "Leave Meeting" button. The EAB logo is also present in the bottom right corner of the meeting window.

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Unmute Start Video

Mute Stop Video Invite Participants Share Chat Record Leave Meeting

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Update Your Name

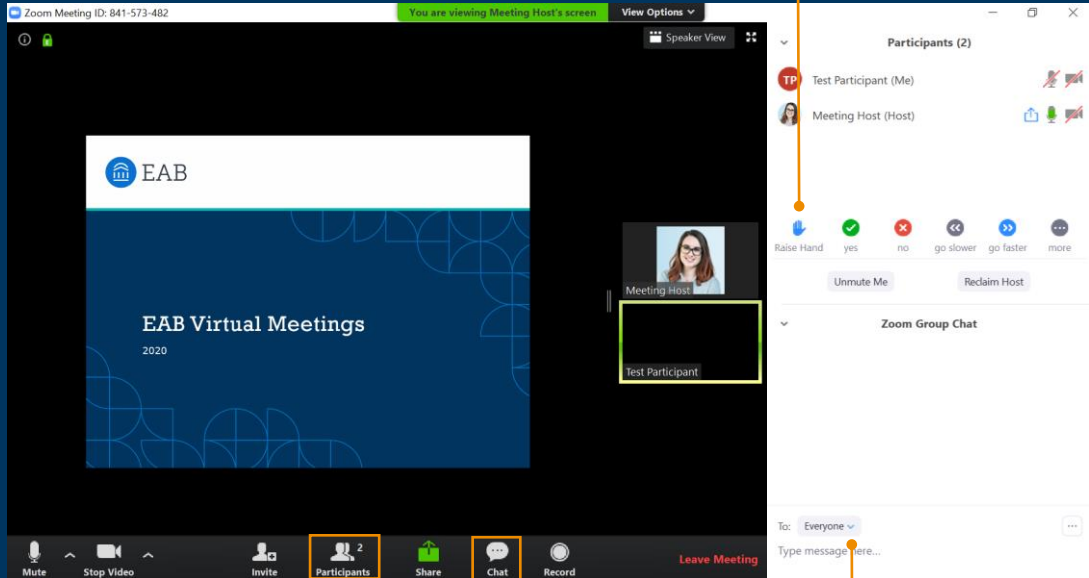
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Update your name and add your institution

Open Participants menu

Chat and Nonverbal Feedback

Use icons to communicate answers and signals to presenter



Open Participants and Chat

Select whether you want to chat with everyone or a specific person

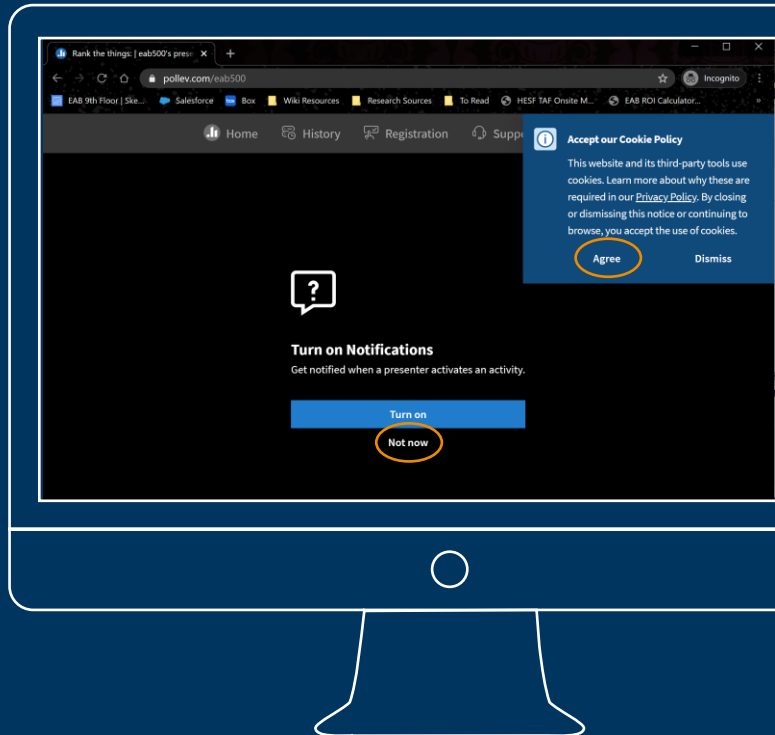
Preparation for Later Discussion

Go to

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(it will also work on your phone)

- No need to accept notifications
- **Please enter your full name**
- Answer the question



Today's Plan

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Letting Us Know Why You're Here

Respond on **PolLEV**:

I'm most interested in:

- Developing non-degree business programs (e.g., badges, mini-degrees)
- Restructuring an existing MBA

Feel free to add other potential goals in the chat!



Logistics and Introductions



Brief Highlights from the Business Education Landscape



Smaller Group Discussions

Introduction

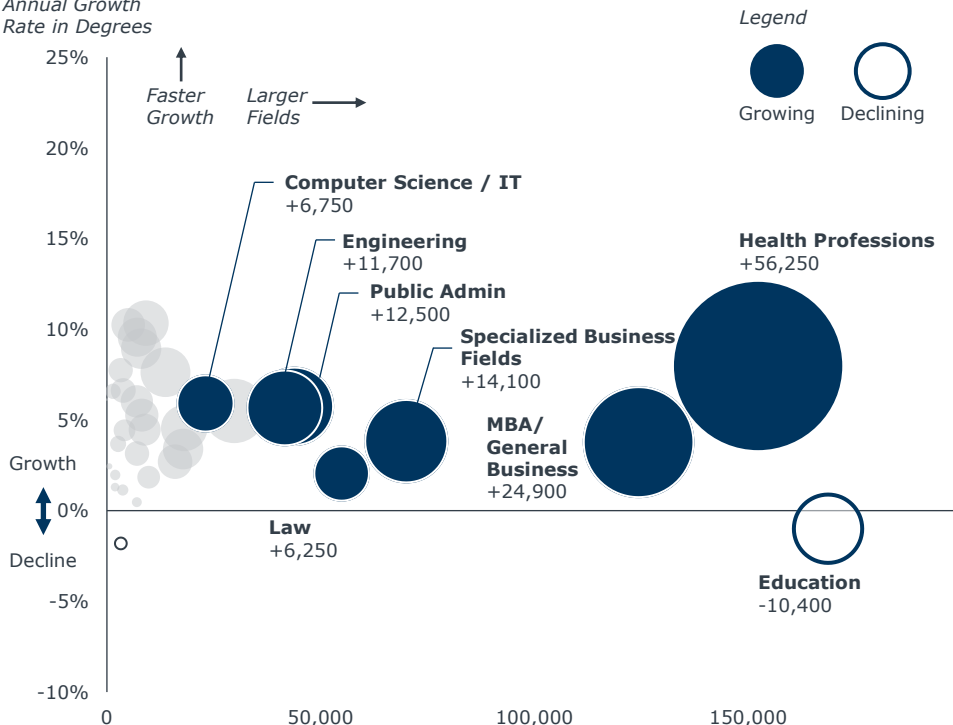
What business programs does your institution currently offer? How are you thinking about your business portfolio strategy in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic?

Almost Every Major Field Growing Five Years Ago

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Change in Master's and Professional Doctorate Conferrals by Field (2-Digit CIP) 2007-2013

Annual Growth
Rate in Degrees



3.7%

**Overall Annual
Growth Rate**

Total Graduate Degree
Conferrals 2007-2013

+171K

**Net Increase in
Conferrals**

2007-2013

+182K

**Increase from
Growing Fields**

2007-2013

-11K

**Decrease from
Declining Fields**

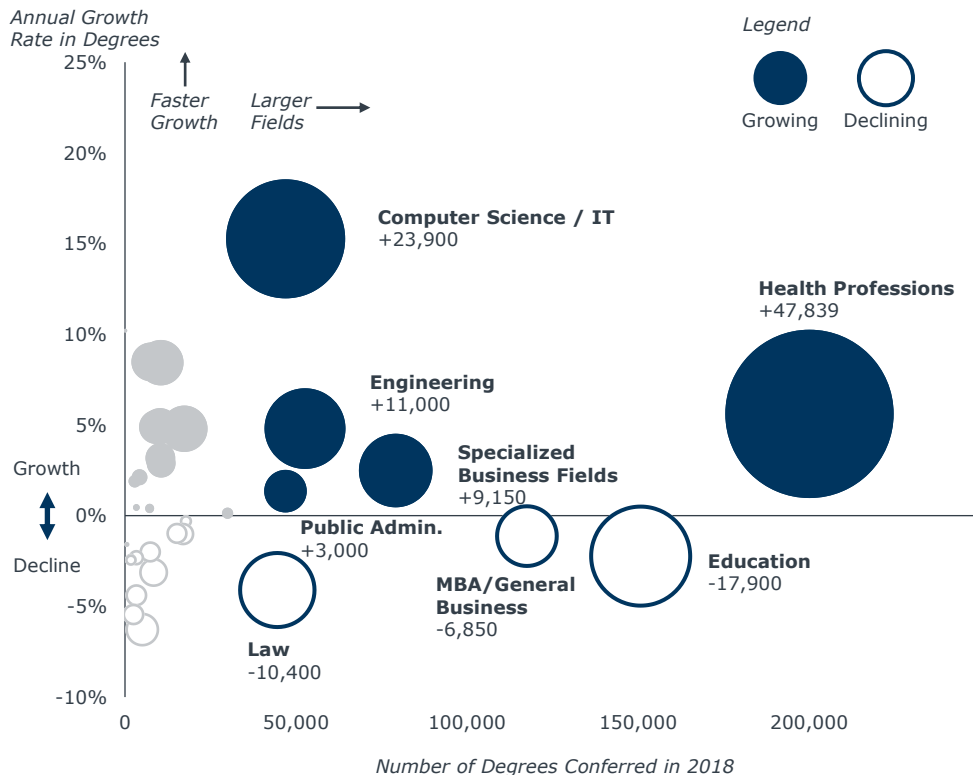
2007-2013

Number of Degrees Conferred in 2013

Source: EAB analysis of NCES Integrated
Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) data.

Now Growth Limited to High-Cost Fields

Change in Master's and Professional Doctorate Conferrals by Field (2-Digit CIP) 2013-2018



1.5%
Overall Annual
Growth Rate
Total Graduate Degree
Conferrals 2013-2018

+69K
Net Increase in
Conferrals
2013-2018

+113K
Increase from
Growing Fields
2013-2018

-44K
Decrease from
Declining Fields
2013-2018

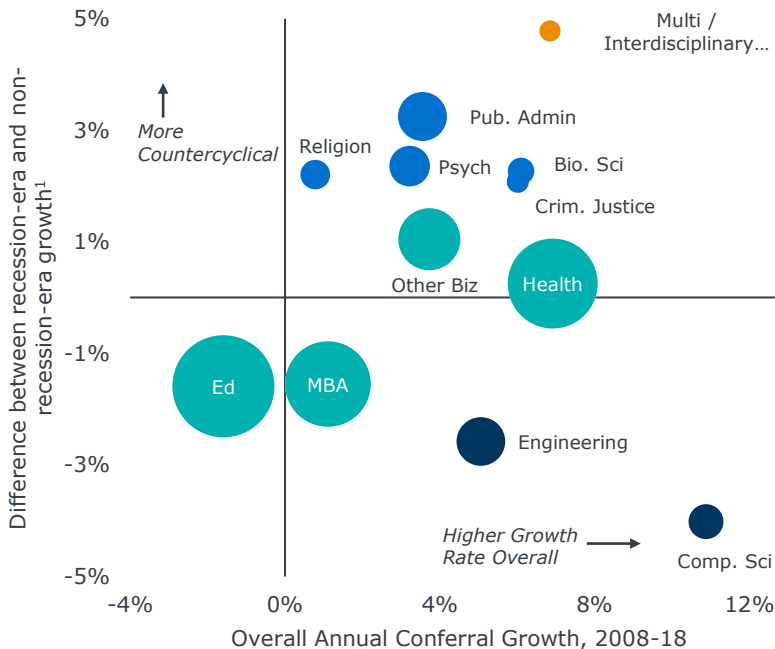
Source: EAB analysis of NCES Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS) data.

Countercyclical Boost Uneven Across Fields

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Fields Best Positioned to Grow are Mostly Small, Few in STEM

Overall 10-year Growth Trend and Countercyclical Growth in Master's and Professional Doctorate Conferrals



The Multidisciplinary Moment?

Interdisciplinary grad degrees fast-growing and among most countercyclical

A Turn Toward Stable Careers

Growth in fields related to government and nonprofit jobs, but will these remain stable in current crisis?

No Boost for Big Fields

Education, MBA growth slowed. Almost no recession impact on health, non-MBA business.

Slowdown in STEM?

Engineering, computer science fast-growing overall but grew more slowly during 2008 recession

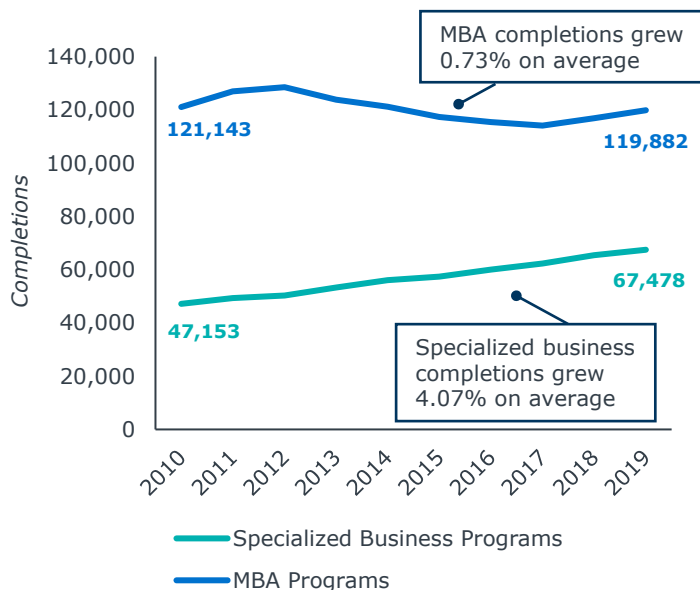
1) Difference in conferral growth rate in 2011-13 (recession-era) and the average of 2008-10 and 2014-2016 (non-recession-era)
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Increased Competition Intensifies MBA Struggles



MBA Completions Stagnant While Student Demand for Specialized Programs Increases Rapidly

Master's-Level Degree Completions for MBA and Specialized Business Programs Over Time



5%

Growth of institutions offering MBA programs, 2010-2019

28%

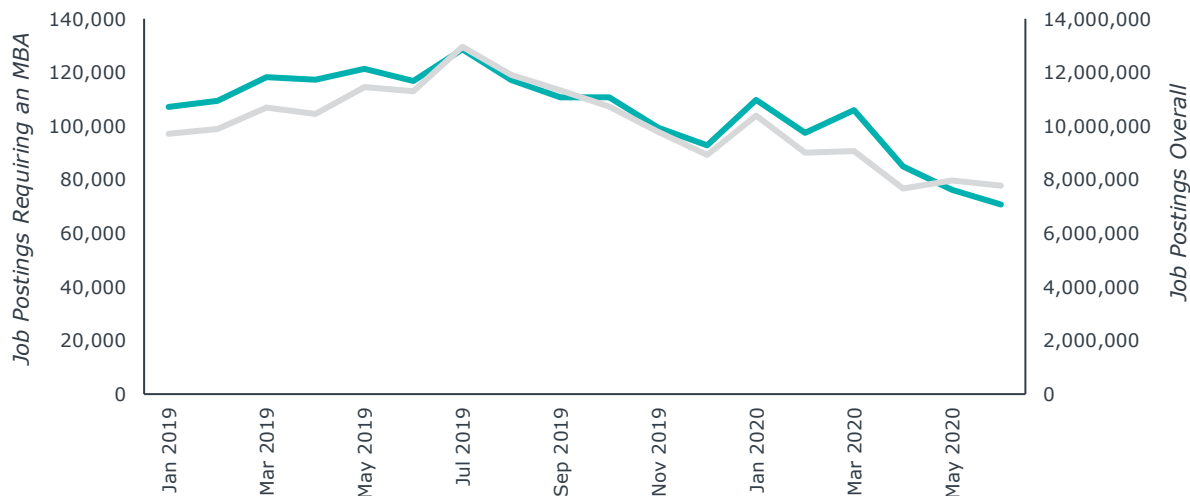
Average annual growth of master's-level data science completions, 2010-2019

COVID-19 Amplifies Decline of the MBA

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Employer Demand for Professionals with MBAs Declined Faster than Demand for All Professionals During Economic Shutdown

National demand over time for applicants with MBAs relative to all job postings



-45%

Decline in job postings requesting an MBA from July 2019 to June 2020

Faster decline than the **-40%** decline in employer demand for all professionals

Traditional MBA Does Not Align with Student Needs

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Traditional MBA Programs Offer

High-Cost and Selective

- Students can expect to spend up to \$160,000 on tuition alone



Time Intensive Programming

- Require full-time, in-person enrollment
- Takes two years to complete the degree



Broad, Generalized Curriculum

- Curriculum offers electives in general finance and management



Today's Working Professionals Prioritize

Low-Cost Programs

- Students increasingly price sensitive
- Today's students face high student loan debt

Faster Time to Completion

- Skill development means more than degree attainment for adult learners
- Accelerated or part-time education meets employer needs now

Focus on Outcomes

- Students increasingly focused on return on investment
- Adult learners respond to outcomes-centric marketing (e.g., alumni outcomes data)

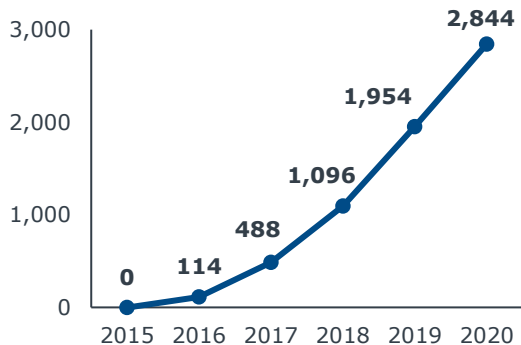
Low-Cost May Be Best Chance to Expand Markets

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As MBAs Struggle to Fill Seats, Low-Cost Program Sees Explosive Growth



Online iMBA Enrollments, 2015-2020



\$22K

Total cost to complete

2.4 yrs.

Typical time to complete

iMBA Innovates on Traditional Format and Reports Career Success

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Required classes conducted through self-paced Coursera courses and live faculty interactions

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Specialization options for students, including Innovation and Business Analytics

20%

Average pay increase for students enrolled in iMBA program

Short Format Can Meet Needs of Multiple Groups

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Harvard University's CORE Certificate Meets the Needs of Three Distinct Audiences:



College Students and Recent Grads

- Students can earn undergraduate academic credit in select start groups
- CORE can help recent graduates quickly learn skills and stand out in interviews



Students About to Start MBA Programs

- Three foundational courses in analytics, economics, and accounting to provide a general background in business



Mid-Career Workers Seeking PD

- Monthly start dates
- Students can choose to enter 12- or 17-week program depending on personal and professional commitments

Two Scenarios

We Know There's a Need for Business Education, But How to Deliver?

Objective: With your group, create the outline for a business credential that you would aim to launch *before January 2021*. You will either develop a new non-credit business program or restructure your current MBA degree to serve the needs of today's students. You'll have 20 minutes in your group to flesh out the program and consider the implementation challenges.

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Develop a New Non-Degree Business Program

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Restructure Existing MBA Program

What to Consider

Program Characteristics

- Title
- Format/Structure
- Length
- Delivery
- Price (and who pays it)
- Topics covered
- Expertise needed

Implementation Challenges

- Hiring instructors
- Registration
- Payment
- Marketing

Hearing from Your Colleagues

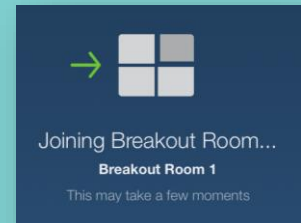
Moving to Break-Outs

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Consider While We Move to Break-outs:

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Where are you most likely to focus your own business program development in the next 12-18 months?

Developing new non-degree business program

Developing a new MBA program

Developing new non-MBA degree business programs

Redesigning existing non-degree business programs

Redesigning existing MBA program

Redesigning existing other, non-MBA degree programs