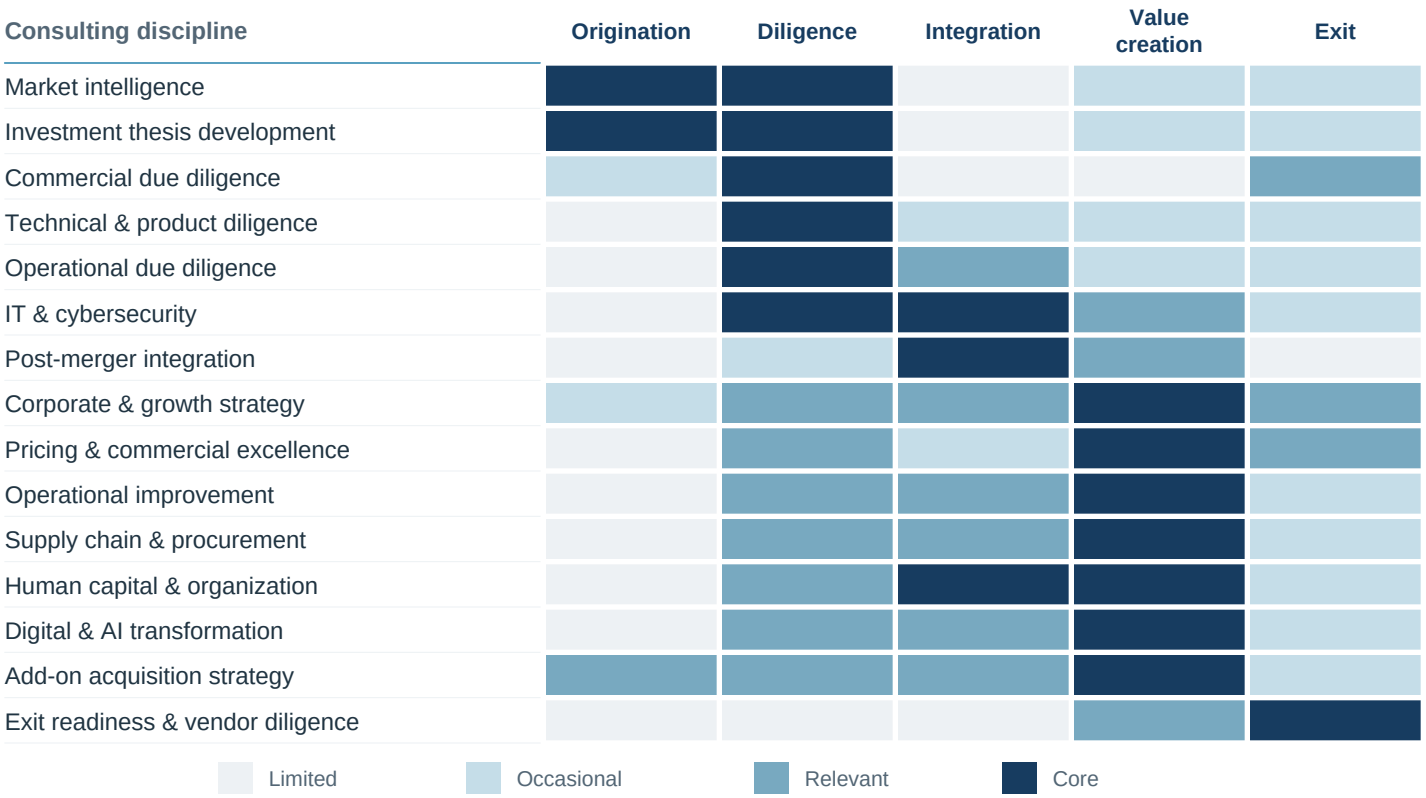
The Private Equity Consulting Ecosystem

Mapping specialist consulting capabilities across the investment lifecycle

Private equity investors draw on different consulting disciplines to identify opportunities, assess targets, integrate acquisitions, improve portfolio company performance and prepare for exit.

01 Origination	02 Diligence	03 Integration	04 Value creation	05 Exit

Consulting capabilities by investment stage



Methodology: ProfessionaLink qualitative framework of typical applications; not measured engagement frequency or spending.

Key observations

01 **Diligence is only the beginning.** Consulting needs extend into integration, growth and operational transformation.

02 **Expertise requirements evolve.** Industry specialists support investment decisions; functional and implementation specialists support ownership priorities.

03 **Value creation is multidisciplinary.** Pricing, operations, technology and human capital offer distinct performance improvement opportunities.

The ProfessionaLink perspective

Match the advisor's industry knowledge, functional expertise and delivery capabilities to the specific requirements of each investment stage.

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