

Markkula Center for Applied Ethics
2025 Business Ethics Internship Opportunities
Alliance for Responsible Data Collection
Ethical Data Collection Policy, Research & Program Internship

Part - time (10 hours a week)

Remote

Begins June 2025

Opportunity is open undergraduate rising seniors

Organization Overview: The Alliance for Responsible Data Collection, ARDC, is a cross-industry initiative whose mission is to preserve open access to publicly available data by providing a trusted framework for responsible data collection based on transparency, choice, and accountability for varying downstream uses. ARDC develops and promotes voluntary technical standards and governance guidelines for responsible data collection (e.g., data scraping, crawling, and mining). ARDC members represent non-profits, academia, thought leaders, and business enterprises that collect or use public web data. As a founding member of ARDC, Bright Data LTD is one of the world's most powerful web data platforms. The Bright Initiative by Bright Data is a global program that leverages public internet data to drive positive change.

Internship: The Ethical Data Collection Policy, Research, and Program Intern will work closely with ARDC founding member Bright Data, as well as steering committee members from The Common Crawl Foundation, Sequentum, and The Norton Law Firm to provide policy research, outreach, and administrative program support. This internship offers an excellent opportunity to gain hands-on experience developing and promoting ethical practices for how data is collected while contributing to thought leadership around legal and policy issues related to balancing the importance of open access to publicly available data with copyright, privacy laws, and emerging AI regulations.

Key Responsibilities: The list below describes the types of activities and work that may be expected of the intern. The specific assignments and scope will vary based on the available time and ARDC priorities.

Ongoing Monitoring & Research

- Track emerging laws, regulations, and guidance impacting data collection, AI governance, privacy, and compliance.
- Provide regular updates and reports to internal stakeholders.

Regulatory Submissions & White Papers

- Assist in drafting and submitting responses to regulatory consultations.
- Support the development of white papers, position papers, and policy briefs.
- Collaborate with industry groups, trade associations, and regulatory bodies.

Industry Events & Thought Leadership

- Attend industry events, conferences, and policy discussions to represent the company.
- Engage with regulators, policymakers, and industry stakeholders to promote responsible data collection and compliance practices.

Research & Analysis

- Conduct research, polls, and surveys on topics such as the use of public internet data and sentiment around data scraping.
- Analyze and summarize findings to inform team discussions and decision-making.

Educational Content & Writing

- Write articles and blog posts on relevant topics.
- Collaborate with members to develop and refine content.
- Post and share articles across platforms.
- Curate and maintain a research library of articles related to data scraping and public internet data.
- Review and summarize key findings from articles, sharing insights with the team.

Outreach & Community Engagement

- Contact potential members to introduce them to our work.
- Respond to inquiries from potential members and provide relevant information.
- Assist in organizing and promoting events, discussions, and initiatives.

Administrative & Technical Support

- Track action items (ARs) and follow up on outstanding tasks.
- Take and organize meeting notes, ensuring key takeaways and next steps are documented.
- Maintain and update shared files and resources in Google Drive.
- Assist in gathering input for meeting agendas and ensuring meetings run smoothly

Qualifications

- Strong organizational and communication skills.
- Strong writing and research skills.
- Ability to work independently and manage multiple tasks.
- Interest in open data rights, privacy law, AI governance, data ethics, copyright, and compliance.
- Experience with public speaking and outreach is a plus.
- Technical skills in data standards, coding, or related areas are a bonus

This internship is a great opportunity to gain experience in a collaborative and mission-driven environment. Potential for ongoing and expanded work throughout the Fall semester. If you're eager to learn and contribute, we'd love to hear from you!