UT Austin’s Ethical AI Portfolio Program:
Discover the Future of Technology and Shape Your Career!
https://ethicalai.utexas.edu/

Are you ready to shape the ethical landscape of artificial intelligence? Looking to bolster your CV and stand out in today’s competitive job market? Join the cutting-edge Ethical AI Graduate Portfolio Program at the University of Texas at Austin, and become a pioneer in navigating the complex interactions between AI-based technologies and society.

What is the Portfolio Program?

The graduate portfolio program in Ethical AI is an interdisciplinary, socio-technical program for graduate students from all units across campus to anticipate and prepare for the complex interactions between AI-based technologies and society. To participate, students will take classes under the program, attend related talks, and create a final product related to Ethical AI. In return, students will gain a variety of benefits.

What are the benefits to participating in this program?

There are a broad range of benefits to participating in this program. Benefits include interdisciplinary learning, reserved registration spots in select classes, career enhancement, industry-relevant research, research capstone, a degree notation, connection to initiatives, publications and networking, and problem solving skills.

Is programming knowledge required?

No way! AI-based technologies will be found in every field, not just the technical ones. As such, this program was designed to be interdisciplinary, including disciplines that don’t have a programming background.

How to apply to the program:

The application can be found on the Ethical AI Portfolio Program Admission page. (ethicalai.utexas.edu)

You will need to submit the following materials:

- Academic Summary
- List of Anticipated Courses you’ll take to meet the requirements
- 250-500 words describing planned ethical AI research project
- An approval letter from your Master’s/PhD faculty research supervisor.
Requirements for Participation:

- Students from all backgrounds welcome! Technical expertise is not a prerequisite. Embrace the opportunity to explore Ethical AI without barriers.
- Complete four approved courses, meeting these requirements: 12-15 credit hours total, two must be core courses, no more than two can be from the same department, and no more than 3 hours may be earned via internship or independent study course. Two courses must be outside of your primary primary degree major. (Check below for a tool to help you keep track!)
- Maintain a minimum GPA of 3.0 throughout the program.
- Participate in at least two semesters of a Research Seminar Series. Attend at least 3 sessions each semester of talks held by Good Systems, including those held by the Urban Information Lab.
- Contribute to a research report, paper, thesis, or dissertation in the field of Ethical AI. This can also fulfill degree requirements in your primary program.
- Submit your research findings to peer-reviewed venues related to Ethical AI (approved by your advisor). This could include journals or conferences.

Course Requirement Tool:

The matrix below can help ensure you’re meeting the course requirements of the Ethical AI Portfolio Program. Just remember four approved courses total are required, in addition to the requirements included below:

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<th>Yes/No: Ethical AI Core Course? (At least two required.)</th>
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To Learn More:

- Interested in shaping the future of AI ethically or have questions? Contact Senior Program Coordinator Saleh Afroogh (saleh.afroogh@utexas.edu) for further details and application procedures.
- Check out our website at https://ethicalai.utexas.edu/