UVA Biocomplexity Social and Decision Analytics Division
Science Communication Internship

The UVA Biocomplexity Institute's Social and Decision Analytics Division (SDAD) is seeking an interested UVA student to work on:

- 75% - Science communication, including but not limited to
    - researching effective communication strategies;
    - writing and editing copy describing SDAD research projects for press releases, websites, blogs, etc.;
    - developing data visualizations, infographics, etc.; and
    - posting content to SDAD-branded accounts (e.g., Twitter/X, LinkedIn).
- 25% - Community management, including but not limited to
    - fostering an active and engaged alumni network of undergraduate, graduate, and postdoctoral employees (e.g., organizing virtual networking events).

This position will develop writing, editorial, and graphic design skills, as well as social media and community management experience. Interns will also have an opportunity to learn web development (e.g., CSS/HTML) and programming skills in languages such as R and Python.

Interns will learn about data science techniques and the research being done at the Social and Decision Analytics Division. SDAD operates at the intersection of statistics, computer science, engineering, and the social sciences. We examine how information generated within communities and through local, state, and federal programs can be leveraged to improve people's quality of life and inform public policy.

This is a virtual position (SDAD is in Arlington, VA) and will require 10 to 15 hours per week through the 2023-2024 academic year. There may be an option to extend the position through August 2024. The position pays $15/hour.

Interested students should contact Joel Thurston at jt9sz@virginia.edu.

You can learn more about the Social and Decision Analytics Division here: https://biocomplexity.virginia.edu/institute/divisions/social-and-decision-analytics

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