Are you interested in making sure the government provides high-quality accurate information on its websites?

Call for Volunteers

The Web Integrity Project at the Sunlight Foundation monitors tens of thousands of federal webpages, closely tracking topics such as LGBTQ rights, refugees and asylum seekers, youth justice, and the Affordable Care Act. Since the project began in February 2018, we have uncovered the removal of, for example, asylum training materials at the direction of senior staff, a breast cancer website, almost 200 speeches from the Immigration and Customs Enforcement website, and Affordable Care Act information from across the Department of Health and Human Services websites. Our work has been covered by The Washington Post, Politico, and other outlets, and has driven congressional oversight.

Website Monitoring Analyst

Volunteer web monitoring analysts are essential to the Web Integrity Project’s work. Volunteers track and classify changes to federal government websites. Each analyst monitors a set of government domains each week, identifying significant or curious changes from a spreadsheet of changes flagged by WIP’s version tracking software. The team of volunteers and staff screen changes at a weekly meeting. Staff write reports and blog posts contextualizing the most significant changes identified, which are disseminated to the media, transparency groups, and congressional offices.

The team works remotely over Slack and video conference, with weekly meetings to discuss important changes, emerging themes, and project updates. This is an unpaid volunteer position, with an expected time commitment of 3-5 hours/week. Volunteers interested in committing more time are encouraged to contribute to writing reports and blog posts.

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