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Job Title Junior/Assistant/Associate Specialist - Center for

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Department Center for Effective Global Action **Institution** University of California Berkeley

Berkeley, California

Date Posted Oct. 20, 2025

Application Deadline 11/20/2025

Position Start Date Available immediately

Job Categories Research Scientist/Associate

Professional Staff

Academic Field(s) Computer Science

Engineering - Other

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Job Description

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Position overview

Position title: Privacy Engineer

Salary range: The UC academic salary scales set the minimum pay determined by rank and step at



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appointment. See the following table(s) for the current salary scale(s) for this position: https://www.ucop.edu/academic-personnel-programs/_files/2025-26/represented-july-2025-scales/t24-b.pdf. The current base salary range for this position is \$55,000-\$88,000. "Offscale" salaries, which yield compensation that is higher than the published systemwide salary at the designated rank and step, are offered when necessary to meet competitive conditions

Percent time: 100

Anticipated start: December 2025

Position duration: 2 years

Application Window

Open date:October 15, 2025

Next review date: Wednesday, Oct 29, 2025 at 11:59pm (Pacific Time)

Apply by this date to ensure full consideration by the committee.

Final date: Thursday, Nov 20, 2025 at 11:59pm (Pacific Time)

Applications will continue to be accepted until this date, but those received after the review date will

only be considered if the position has not yet been filled.

Position description

The Center for Effective Global Action (CEGA) is a hub for research, training and innovation headquartered at the University of California, Berkeley. We generate insights that decision-makers can use to improve policies, programs, and people's lives. Our best-in-class academic network includes nearly 200 faculty, 80 scholars from low- and middle-income countries (LMICs)-primarily from East and West Africa-and hundreds of graduate students from diverse academic disciplines who produce rigorous evidence about what works to expand education, health, and economic opportunities for people living in poverty. Our business model involves curating policy-relevant research agendas in collaboration with development leaders, overseeing competitive grant-making to answer critical questions, investing in research capacity, and strategically connecting research and ideas to inform decision-making by governments, NGOs, and the private sector.

CEGA seeks a talented Junior/Assistant/Associate Specialist to support the Center's new Data Privacy Lab, which explores how privacy-enhancing technologies (PETs) can enable data sharing, research, and innovation in LMICs. Through a series of real-world collaborations with partner organizations, the



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Lab will develop and deploy PETs in LMIC settings, using these experiences to create a privacy playbook that supports future organizations in navigating the complexities of applying PETs in practice. This position is based in Berkeley, California with potential fieldwork assignments abroad. They will report directly to Dr. Nitin Kohli, who heads the Lab, and will collaborate with a team to advance the Lab and CEGA's research agendas. The exact role and responsibilities will depend on your strengths and interests, but examples of projects include:

- PET research and implementation: Investigate, evaluate, and implement applicable PETs for different projects such as differential privacy, synthetic data, homomorphic encryption, secure multi-party computation, and private set intersection.
- Production-Grade PET solutions development: Prototype and scale technical solutions for privacy-preserving data sharing and joint analytics and model building across multiple entities.
- Large-scale data engineering: Process and automate the ETL, clean and analyze vast amounts of structured and unstructured data.
- Back-end ops: Build and maintain high-performance computing infrastructure to enable efficient processing and analysis of petabytes of heterogeneous data.
- Data Privacy Lab Support: Advise on grant proposals, reports, and strategy.
- Develop strong relationships and provide technical support to partners in LMICs

Department: https://cega.berkeley.edu/

Qualifications

Basic qualifications (required at time of application)

Bachelor's Degree or equivalent international degree or enrolled in a Bachelor's Degree or equivalent international degree program

Additional qualifications (required at time of start)

Bachelor's Degree or equivalent international degree

Preferred qualifications

- Bachelor's or Master's Degree or equivalent international degree in Engineering, Computer or Information Science, Mathematics, or a related technical field.
- 2+ years of professional experience with object-oriented programming.
- Expertise in Python, as well as at least one other object-oriented programming language (such Java/Scala or C/C++) and SQL.
- Experience with at least one of the following PETs: differential privacy, homomorphic encryption,



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secure multiparty computation, private set. -Experience with *nix sysadmin, DBA, and/or cloud infrastructure deployment (such as Docker or other containerization systems).

- Applied experience with PETs and open-source implementations (e.g., OpenDP).
- Experience with "big data" and cloud infrastructure technologies such as Hadoop and Spark, ideally including past work with large structured and unstructured datasets.
- Good understanding of inferential and descriptive statistics, and working knowledge of statistical programming languages (e.g., R, Julia) and/or libraries for quantitative analysis (e.g., pandas, scikit-learn, tensorflow, torch).

Application Requirements

Document requirements

- Curriculum Vitae Your most recently updated C.V.
- Cover Letter
- Repository of Code Repository of code written that demonstrates programming expertise.
- Research Statement Please discuss research accomplishments and proposed plans. This can include, for example, your publication record, awards, presentations, inclusive research practices that promote the excellence of your research, and areas for future research. (Optional)

Reference requirements

- 3-5 required (contact information only)
- Ideally one out of three references should come from an academic institution.

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- <u>UC Sexual Violence and Sexual Harassment Policy</u>
- UC Anti-Discrimination Policy
- APM 035: Affirmative Action and Nondiscrimination in Employment

Job location Berkeley, CA



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