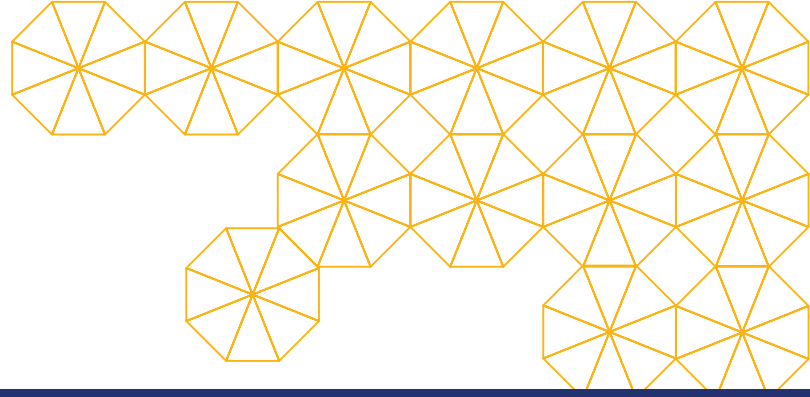




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Cybersecurity

UC Berkeley



UC Berkeley Cybersecurity Clinic

Digital security + privacy for the social sector

Social sector organizations, including journalists, human rights defenders, and social justice activists, are critical drivers of social change. Their work is essential for healthy democracies, human rights, and justice to thrive.

But as technology becomes more important to their operations, these organizations face growing threats, like cyberattacks, targeted surveillance, online harassment, and the spread of disinformation.

Many lack the resources to secure their digital operations. The UC Berkeley Cybersecurity Clinic is empowering social sector organizations to use technology to fulfill their missions, defend against digital threats, and build digital capabilities so they can drive social change.

WHO WE ARE

The UC Berkeley Cybersecurity Clinic is a trailblazing interdisciplinary, public-interest digital security clinic within the University of California, Berkeley's Center for Long-Term Cybersecurity. Through a model similar to university clinics in law and medicine, we train teams of students to help social sector organizations build the capabilities they need to proactively defend themselves against malicious governments, powerful corporations, hate groups, and extremists.

WHAT WE DO

The UC Berkeley Cybersecurity Clinic is enabling social sector organizations to use technology to fulfill their missions. We are training the next generation of digital security leaders. And we are forging a new community around public-interest technology.

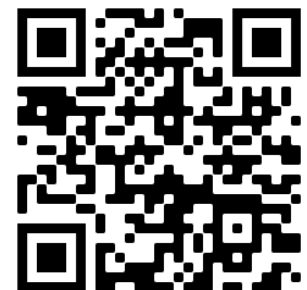
Defending the Social Sector

- We help social sector organizations proactively defend themselves against digital threats, enabling them to focus on fulfilling their missions and driving social change.
- We offer custom, long-term client engagements to build the digital capacity of social sector organizations.



“My goal is to improve information technologies that support communities and civil society. The I School and [Cybersecurity Clinic] have given me the skills and confidence to be a better advocate for users and socially conscious products. I'm excited to bring this knowledge to my new role as a Program Manager at Microsoft's Artificial Intelligence and Research group.”

– Lily Lin '19, cybersecurity clinic participant Masters Information Management Systems



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<https://cltc.berkeley.edu/program/cybersecurity-clinic/>

QUICK FACTS

185+

students engaged since 2018

25

nonprofit organizations supported
across four continents

23

UC Berkeley academic programs
participating

- We directly consult with social groups and provide them with the tools and knowledge to defend themselves against politically motivated bad actors and digital threats.

Training Digital Security Leaders

- We are building and training the next generation of digital security leaders.
- We teach students through a hands-on approach, whereby they strengthen and support organizations to implement digital safety practices using a holistic and tailored approach.
- By engaging students from varying backgrounds and disciplines, we encourage a diverse group to pursue careers in public-interest technology and expand the pool of potential participants in the cybersecurity workforce.
- The UC Berkeley Cybersecurity Clinic shows students that they don't have to choose between a career in tech or a career in the public interest. They can do both.

Grow the Public Interest Technology Community

- We are leaders in building a new public-interest technology community where digital security is part of the bedrock of the social sector.
- We grow our impact by sharing our institutional knowledge and serving as a model and collaborative resource for other universities that want to establish similar clinics.
- We are proud to be a founding member of the Consortium for Cybersecurity Clinics (cybersecurityclinics.org), an international network of university-based cybersecurity clinicians, trainers, and advocates committed to sharing best practices, expanding the reach and visibility of cybersecurity clinics, and lowering the barriers for other institutions of higher education to successfully establish their own clinics.

JOIN US

Our mission is bold and our aspirations are big, but grounded. To enable the UC Berkeley Cybersecurity Clinic to reach its full potential, we must grow our community, train more students, and serve more organizations. We invite your support:

Gifts of all sizes support our students and faculty to advance groundbreaking research, grow the public interest technology community, expand our services and outreach to civil society organizations, and create diverse pathways into public interest cybersecurity careers.

Leadership gifts in six and seven figures may establish endowments in perpetuity, and/or open discussion of naming benefits affiliated with clinic student support, fellowships, programs, physical spaces, or named faculty endowments.

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“Our team created a cybersecurity playbook for a nonprofit law firm that advocates for human and environmental rights in developing countries. Working with incredible thought leaders in the tech, law, and human rights space fueled my passion for social impact by eradicating the digital divide through safe cybersecurity practices and access to information.”

– Boikanyo Tefu, cybersecurity clinic alumna participant, UCB Master of Journalism 2020, Multimedia Journalist and Content Manager at the UC Berkeley School of Law's Human Rights Center

