

# GLOBAL ETHICS DAY

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Global Ethics Day was established by the Carnegie Council for Ethics in International Affairs in 2014. It is an annual moment for individuals and organizations to explore their values and the principles that shape ethical decision-making.

A top 10 list and toolkit to help you celebrate statistics and data science ethics provided by the ASA Committee on Professional Ethics (CoPE).

# MORE ON GLOBAL ETHICS DAY

As background, Global Ethics Day takes place on the third Wednesday in October. This year, the theme is [#EthicsReenvisioned](#). The event is hosted by the [Carnegie Council for Ethics in International Affairs](#). It encourages individuals and organizations worldwide to engage with ethical issues and activate their communities for a more just and peaceful world. General [Activities](#) are suggested for group and individual participation by the Carnegie Council for Ethics in International Affairs.

This year, the ASA Committee on Professional Ethics decided to use this day to get our members and beyond engaged in meaningful activities regarding ethics in the professions of statistics and data science. Whether you work in industry, business, or government, we want to help you reenvision ethics by making statistics and data science ethics accessible. This presentation contains a top ten list with an overview of the activities and ends with a toolkit that you can download and use for Global Ethics Day and beyond.

And guess what? Some of them require very little effort on the part of the organizer because we know you are busy!!!



# #10: ATTEND THE ASA GLOBAL ETHICS DAY WEBINAR

- **TITLE: GLOBAL ETHICS DAY: ETHICAL THINKING IN OTHER BACKYARDS**
- **SPEAKERS: DONNA CHEN, PROFESSOR, CENTER FOR HEALTH HUMANITIES AND ETHICS AND THE DEPARTMENTS OF PSYCHIATRY AND OF PUBLIC HEALTH SCIENCES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA SCHOOL OF MEDICINE**  
  
**KORY TROTT, DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH INTEGRITY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO**
- **MODERATOR: MATT ROTELLI, RETIRED VICE PRESIDENT OF BIOETHICS, ELI LILLY, PRINCIPAL CONSULTANT, NAT AND MATT CONSULTING, LLC**
- **DATE & TIME: OCTOBER 15, 2025, 3PM TO 4PM**
- **YOU MUST REGISTER TO ATTEND BY CLICKING THIS [LINK](#)**

# #9: REFLECT ON A PAST ASA ETHICS WEBINARS

- **FIND THE WEBINARS HERE:**  
<https://community.amstat.org/ethics/webinars>
- **DOWNLOAD THE STUDY GUIDES COMPLETE WITH DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**  
A study guide is in the toolkit for each of the webinars. Your group members or your students can watch the webinar of your choice independently or together. You can use the questions at the end of the study guide to facilitate a large or small group discussion.

# **#8: HOST A LUNCH & LEARN DISCUSSION OR SEMINAR**

- **OPTION 1: CHECK OUT THE DISCUSSION GUIDE IN THE TOOLKIT. ITS ALREADY PLANNED FOR YOU!**
- **OPTION 2: INVITE YOUR ETHICS OFFICER OR A GUEST SPEAKER TO YOUR GROUP OR CLASS. PLAN TIME FOR Q&A AND DISCUSSION. WE INCLUDED A SAMPLE INVITATION AS A MODEL IN THE TOOLKIT.**
- **OPTION 3: HAVE YOUR GROUP READ AN ARTICLE AND JOIN A VIRTUAL OR IN-PERSON BROWN BAG. WE HAVE A LIST OF SUGGESTED ARTICLES IN THE TOOLKIT OR CHOOSE YOUR OWN.**

# #7: EXPLORE AN EXISTING ETHICS CASE SCENARIO

- **WE'VE PROVIDED YOU A LIST OF LINKS TO ETHICS CASE STUDIES IN THE TOOLKIT. SOME EVEN PROVIDE DISCUSSION GUIDES.**

Wait! You don't see one that resonates with your audience or captures a common scenario for your group. Don't worry. See #4 with easy instructions on how to create your own.

# #6 ORGANIZE OR JOIN AN ETHICS MEET-UP

- **ISOLATED STATISTICIAN OR DATA SCIENTIST?**  
This one is for you. You can do it virtually or through your local ASA Chapter.
- **LEADER OR MEMBER OF A CHAPTER?**  
You could organize one or even a few of these if your chapter is spread out.
- **ASA SECTIONS OR A GROUP THAT SPREAD ACROSS THE MILES (OR KILOMETERS)?**  
Plan an online meet-up.

Our Meet-ups Planning Guides give ideas on what you could do at the meetup for any of these situations.

# #5: HOST A SMALL GROUP OR CLASS DISCUSSION

- **GO FORMAL BY USING THE ARTICLE DISCUSSION GUIDE IN THE TOOLKIT.**  
This one includes links to articles, brief overviews, and discussion questions.
- **GO INFORMAL AND MAKE THIS DISCUSSION PARTICIPANT LED.**  
Give the group an opportunity to submit prompts or topics for discussion. Let them choose an activity.
- **IT'S IN THE TOOLKIT**  
There are several ideas in the toolkit from proposing ethical questions and getting group input to creating a list of common ethical issues and how to respond. There are games like a digital ethics scavenger hunt or brainstorming via "Yes, and ...".



# #4: CREATE AND DISCUSS A CUSTOMIZED ETHICS SCENARIO

- **WHILE YOU MAY BE SKEPTICAL, LLMS ARE A GREAT HELPER IN THIS AREA. USE THE TOOLS!**

LLMS write realistic case studies tailored to any level audience.

- **IT'S IN THE TOOLKIT**

We have created a prompt template with examples for you to fill in key information to customize a case study based on audience, area of application, and specific settings.

# **#3: GIVE A SHORT PRESENTATION ON THE ASA GUIDELINES**

- **WAIT! WHAT? YOU DON'T HAVE A PRESENTATION READY TO GO ON THE ASA GUIDELINES. THAT'S OKAY. WE HAVE A FEW YOU CAN STEAL, ETHICALLY : ). USE THE ENTIRE PRESENTATION OR JUST A FEW SLIDES.**
- **YOU CAN PICK A PRINCIPLE FROM THE GUIDELINES AND GIVE EXAMPLES OF HOW A FEW OF THE ELEMENTS COULD BE UPHELD OR VIOLATED. GET CREATIVE!**

## **#2: PUBLISH A THOUGHT PIECE ON SOCIAL MEDIA OR A BLOG ENTRY.**

- **YOU COULD DRAW FROM REAL WORLD EXPERIENCE OR SOMETHING YOU SEE IN THE MEDIA. WE HAVE A LIST OF EXAMPLES WITH LINKS AND A GUIDE FOR WRITING YOUR PIECE.**
- **CAUTION: MAINTAIN APPROPRIATE CONFIDENTIALITY. THE ASA ETHICAL GUIDELINES DO COVER HOW TO HANDLE MISCONDUCT INVESTIGATIONS. CLEANSE THE DETAILS APPROPRIATELY WITHOUT WATERING DOWN YOUR KEY POINTS. MORE ON THIS IN THE TOOLKIT.**

# #1: COMPLETE THE ASA ETHICAL GUIDELINES REVISION SURVEY

- THE THEME OF GLOBAL ETHICS DAY IS ETHICS RE-ENVISIONED! YOU CAN HELP ASA COPE RE-ENVISION ETHICS. WHILE CORE ETHICAL PRINCIPLES REMAIN THE SAME, THE SCENARIOS TO WHICH WE APPLY ETHICS ARE UNDERGOING CONSTANT EVOLUTION (E.G. ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE). THE ASA ETHICAL GUIDELINES WILL CONTINUE TO EVOLVE AS APPLICATIONS EVOLVE.
- REVIEW THE CURRENT GUIDELINES: [ASA ETHICAL GUIDELINES](#)
- SHARE YOUR SUGGESTIONS FOR UPDATES, CLARIFICATIONS, OR EXPANSIONS USING THIS [FORM](#).

**AS A GROUP, AN INDIVIDUAL, OR A WEEKLY RITUAL UNTIL YOU'VE COMMENTED ON ALL PRINCIPALS. WE VALUE YOUR FEEDBACK!**