Short-Term Data Task Workers Needed (\$16-24/hr, Remote)

Background

Cinder Oak LLC is seeking task workers to support Wikipedia researchers at Cornell University with a simple data task. Wikipedia is the largest reference website and an important source of information about high-profile people. However, women's biographies are less prominent in search engines and they may actually be read less than men's articles—contributing to inequalities across fields where visibility is important to success, like higher education. To learn more about the relationship between Wikipedia presence, searchability, and visibility and the pros and cons of having an image appear in Wikipedia, we're surveying researchers who have Wikipedia pages to understand how they think about the benefits and risks of increased exposure.

The Task

Our goal is to identify researchers who have Wikipedia Pages for the purposes of a survey. However, to do that, we need to identify scholars who have or could have a Wikipedia page so that we can email them a survey link. We collected a list of potential participants from Web of Science (WoS), a platform that contains records about people who have published scholarly journal articles. To find out which of these researchers have a Wikipedia Page, we created a list aided by software that suggests possible Wikipedia Pages for each person. We need help verifying whether each person has a Wikipedia Page or not.

The task itself is simple—it involves reviewing a spreadsheet to see if the researcher from the Web of Science list is the same person featured in the Wikipedia page, if the person is deceased, or if a new Wikipedia page has been created for them. The task can be done on your own schedule, while watching tv, or listening to a podcast and is easy to pick up and put down when you have time/energy. There will be one 45 minute call on zoom to provide instructions.

Compensation

Compensation is \$24 per spreadsheet completed, plus \$24 for the initial training. We estimate each sheet will take about 1-1.5 hours. We ask for a minimum commitment of 4 sheets, and there is no upper limit until all sheets have been completed. Compensation is on a 1099/contractor basis.

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