Privacy Policy
The following document is a description of Aura and its services’ collection of user data, how said data is used, and a description of the choices you as a user have regarding how your data is used. Additionally, the way Aura will provide notice upon changes to this document is described at the end.

1- User types
To understand how Aura utilizes your data, you must first determine what type of user you are.

Aura currently defines four types of users:

a) Students- those members of universities who define themselves as “Student” upon Aura account signup
b) Account Holding Mentors- those members of universities who define themselves as “Mentor” upon Aura account signup
c) University Administrators- those members who possess administrative access to the site
d) Non-Account-Holding Mentors- those members who have created a “Project” or “Lab” without registration of an account with Aura

2- What data do users share with AURA?

Students:
- First name as defined on account signup
- Last name as defined on account signup
- Field of study
- Email
- Expected graduation year
- Description of self
- Resume
- The projects for which they have applied for
- The labs for which they have applied for
- Current Lab
- Current project

Account Holding Mentors:
- First name as defined on account signup
- Last name as defined on account signup
- Field of study/department at university
- Email
- Position (Lab Director, PhD Student, Professor, No Official Position)
• Description of self

On lab creation:
  o Lab name
  o Lab website
  o Description of lab
  o Field(s) of study
  o Lab projects
  o University affiliation

On project creation:
  o Project name
  o Description of project
  o Desired Experience
  o Compensation
  o Attendance
  o Hours/week
  o Accepted class years
  o Field(s) of study
  o Date of creation
  o University affiliation

University Administrators:
  • Aura doesn’t currently collect any data from University Administrators

Non-Account-Holding Mentors:

On lab creation:
  o First name
  o Last name
  o Lab name
  o Lab website
  o Email
  o Description of lab
  o Field(s) of study
  o Lab projects
  o University affiliation

On project creation:
  o Project name
  o Description of project
  o Desired Experience
  o Compensation
  o Attendance
  o Hours/week
  o Accepted class years
  o Field(s) of study
3- **How this data is exchanged between users**

By registering as a Student user with Aura, you consent to reveal the following data to other Aura users:

- First name as defined on account signup
- Last name as defined on account signup
- Field of study
- Email
- Expected graduation year
- Description of self
- Resume
- Current lab
- Current project

Additionally, by applying to a lab or project, a Student user reveals a personal statement to the project/lab mentor(s). Mentors will be able to view the Student user profiles that apply to their labs/projects.

**Account Holding Mentors on the creation of a project/lab consent to reveal the following data to other Aura users:**

- First name
- Last name
- Project/lab name
- Lab website
- Email
- Description of project/lab
- Field(s) of study
- Lab projects
- University affiliation
- Desired Experience
- Compensation
- Attendance
- Hours/week
- Accepted class years
- Date of creation

**Non-Account-Holding Mentors on the creation of a project/lab consent to reveal the following data to other Aura users:**

- First name (only on creation of lab)
- Last name (only on creation of lab)
- Project/lab name
- Lab website
- Email
4- **How AURA will use this data**  
AURA retains the right to use this data in an aggregated and anonymized manner for improvement of its platform and marketing purposes. This includes the right to disclose any aggregated and anonymized statistical data gathered from students and professors to any person or organization. A best effort attempt will be made to prevent unique identification of students. AURA will do this in an ethical manner and in accordance with privacy law.

5- **User choices about their data**  
To use the AURA platform, the data described above must be accessible to AURA. Once a user no longer desires to utilize the AURA platform, they have the option to send an email to hello@joinaura.us in order to have their data removed from the system.

6- **Notification of changes**  
AURA wants to be transparent about how your data is used. That’s why AURA will notify all users of any changes made to this privacy policy. Each user will receive an email from hello@joinaura.us informing them of any changes made to the privacy policy in the event that AURA change how it uses your data.