



AI will change the world as we know it. Let's ensure those changes are positive.

Last month at the UN, 300+ prominent figures, 9 former heads of state and ministers and 10 Nobel laureates and recipients, including 'Godfather of AI' Geoffrey Hinton, signed a global [call for international red lines on AI](#) development to prevent unacceptable AI risks.

AI is important to the world, but also to you:

- **Career** - With fellowships like [MATS](#) and [ERA](#), as well as job opportunities at [Google](#), the UK AI Security Institute and elsewhere.
- **Financial** - Opens doors to various funding opportunities - even for personal part-time projects! Eg. list here: <https://www.aisafety.com/funders>
- **Intellectual** - [AI alignment](#) is a significant but new problem, meaning there's lots of unexplored research directions that you can make progress on. There's also not an overwhelming amount of existing literature to review - yet!
- **Project Prep** - Even if you change your mind later, there are lots of resources to get started on AI Safety research (see below) - it could help you learn the research skills you'll need regardless.

AI Safety is a small field that's growing fast. Now's the chance to get in early!

If you're interested,

Here are some open problems with resources for getting started:

1. Broad overview - <https://ilm-safety-challenges.github.io/>
2. Mechanistic Interpretability - <https://arxiv.org/pdf/2501.16496>
3. Technical AI Governance - <https://taig.stanford.edu/>

These projects also open the door to **applying for free project advice / mentoring**

- **Effective Thesis** <https://www.effectivethesis.org/services/#mentorship>
 - "Ideal for self-directed students who may benefit from targeted 1:1 feedback and guidance on navigating a high-impact thesis or career".
 - Opportunity to be advised by a working **AI alignment researcher**.
- **80,000 Hours** - <https://80000hours.org/speak-with-us>
 - For opportunities beyond your thesis, including free career advice.

Anything else?

Don't hesitate to contact us! Here's our website: <https://durhamaisafety.github.io/>

We can give you 1-1 advice on projects and research question choice, help you learn about AI Safety, and can put you in contact with professionals in the field.

Also, keep an eye out for [DAISI events](#) – they're a great way to learn more and network!