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A recent roundup of commentary on ethical issues currently affecting organizations.

"Experts say 'predatory' essay writing firms are thriving, and there's no law to stop them" This CBC piece goes undercover in the dark world of custom essay writing, and interviews professors and academic integrity specialists at Ryerson about the result.

You can access the article here:

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/contract-cheating-nursing-investigation-1.5109322>

"Why Not Appoint an Algorithm to Your Corporate Board?", from Slate. Given the huge information-processing demands on corporate boards, it's not surprising that some are talking about increased use of algorithms. This piece doesn't mention the word, "ethics," but it's shot through with ethical issues.

You can access the article here:

<https://slate.com/technology/2019/03/artificial-intelligence-corporate-board-algorithm.html>

"Fashion, Intellectual Property, and David vs Goliath" (on BusinessEthicsHighlights.com). This piece explores the difficult legal terrain faced by small companies in the fashion industry, when faced with clearly unethical behaviour by bigger companies.

You can access the article here:

<https://businessethicshighlights.com/2019/04/24/fashion-intellectual-property-and-david-vs-goliath/>

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