
FALL 2013 SYLLABUS

Course:	CPSC 3610, 45521
Title:	Ethical and Social Issues in Computing
Class Schedule:Time and Day	Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9-9:50
Class Location:	EMCS 301
Credit:	3 hours
Professor:	Kathy Winters
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ADA STATEMENT: Attention: If you are a student with a disability (e.g. physical, learning, psychiatric, vision, hearing, etc.) and think that you might need special assistance or a special accommodation in this class or any other class, call the Disability Resource Center (DRC) at 425-4006 or come by the office, 102 Frist Hall <http://www.utc.edu/disability-resource-center/> .

If you find that personal problems, career indecision, study and time management difficulties, etc. are adversely affecting your successful progress at UTC, please contact the Counseling and Career Planning Center at 425-4438 or <http://www.utc.edu/counseling-personal-development-center/index.php>

TEXTS:

Ethical and Social Issues in the Information Age, 5th edition, Joseph Kizza, ISBN: 9781447149897

Please check this link from the UTC InfoSec center for additional resources for your course work and paper: <http://www.utc.edu/center-information-security-assurance/resources.php>

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course examines the ethical and social issues arising from advances in computer technology and the responsibility that computer professionals and users have with regard to computer use by focusing on the intrinsic link between ethics and the law, how both try to define the validity of human actions, and on the moral and ethical dilemmas created by computer technology that challenge the traditional ethical and moral concepts. Prerequisites: English 1020 and CPSC 1000 or 1100 with grades of C or better or department head approval.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Differentiate between ethical theories• Identify implicit assumptions and biases in arguments• Demonstrates an awareness and understanding of controversial issues relating to computing and society. |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Demonstrate ability to give an oral presentation, which is well organized, with a clear purpose.• Demonstrate effective and professional delivery of an oral presentation.• Demonstrate ability to write a paper, which is well organized, with a state purpose and clear organization of ideas.• Demonstrate ability to write a paper whose content is detailed, accurate, and follows standard English usage. |

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrate original thought. • Demonstrate correct use of references, cited in a standard formatting style. |
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GRADING POLICY: GRADES WILL BE DETERMINED BY THE FOLLOWING.

Attendance	10%
Assignments	20%
In class Discussions	20%
3 Exam and Final	30%
Two essays	20%

Letter grades will be assigned as follows:

- A= 90-100%
- B=80-89%
- C=70-79%
- D= 60-69%
- F=below 60%

BEHAVIOR POLICY:

Disruptive behavior in the classroom will not be tolerated. Cell phones will not be tolerated. We will do a lot of discussion and therefore the cell phones would be disruptive. You must turn them off prior to coming to class. The use of your cell phone during an exam will result in a zero for that exam.

COURSE WEBSITE AND COMMUNICATION:

We will be using the Blackboard system. You may access lecture notes, labs, on-line discussions and your grades through this system. I will also use the blackboard system to communicate with you via email. Therefore, it is imperative that your UTC email address is current. Failure to read an email will not relieve you of the responsibility of knowing the information. If you need to contact me please do so by email and give me sufficient time to respond, weekday - to 24 hours and weekend - up to 48 hours.

ATTENDANCE:

Attendance is Mandatory. This class is designed to be participative and interactive. This expectation cannot be met if you are not in class.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR FALL 2013:

Class begins	August 19, 2013
Last Day to withdraw without a W	September 1, 2013
Labor Day Holiday	September 2, 2013
Midterm grade notifications	September 30 – October 4, 2013
Last official day to withdraw with a W	October 20, 2013
Fall Break	October 21-22, 2013
Thanksgiving Break	November 28-December 1, 2013
Last Day of Classes	December 2, 2013
Final Exam	Wednesday, December 4: 8-10 am

This syllabus is subject to change with notification on blackboard, email, or other written notification.