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Required Storage Medium: Flash Drive

Program Outcomes:

Student will be able to:

- 1.1. Recognize professional responsibilities and make informed judgments in computing practice based on legal and ethical principles.
- 3.1 Communicate effectively in a variety of professional contexts.

Course Outcomes:

Students will be able to:

- 1. Gain a well-grounded understanding of professional, legal, security, social, ethical issues and social issues
- 2. Evaluate the ACM/IEEE Code of ethics and apply it from the case studies of real-world issues
- 3. Develop well-written research papers that illustrate the ideas and principles covered in this Ethics course.
- 4. Present a well-organized oral presentation and answer questions effectively.

Course Outcomes Mapped to Program Outcomes						
Social and Ethical Issues						
Course	P0	PO	PO	PO	PO	PO
Outcomes	1.1	1.2	2.1	2.2	3.1	3.2
1	X					
2	X					
3	X					
4					X	

Prerequisite by Topic:

- General Computer literacy
- Ability to write an undergraduate research papers

Critical thinking
Understanding of computer programming and networks

Tentative Listing of Topics Covered in the Course:	# wks
Overview of Ethics	1 wk
Ethics for IT Workers and IT Users	1 wk
Critical Thinking Skills: Tools for Evaluating Ethics Issues	2 wks
Computer and Internet Crimes	1 wk
Privacy	1 wk
Freedom of Expression	1 wk
Intellectual Property	1 wk
Software Development	2 wks
Employer / Employee Issues	2 wks
Impact of Information Technology on the Quality of Life	1 wk

Oral and Written Communications: Every student is required to submit at least 2 written report(s) (not including exams, quizzes, or commented programs) of typically 1 page and to make 1 oral presentation(s) of typically 10 minutes duration. This material will be graded for grammar, spelling, and style, as well as for technical content, completeness, and accuracy.

Social and Ethical Issues: The entire course is devoted to Social and Ethical Issues

Theoretical Content: None

Problem Analysis & Solution Design: None

Grading Scale		Course Evaluation	
90-100	A	Assignments	30%
80-89	B	Quizzes	10%
70-79	C	Midterm Exam	20%
60-69	D	Research Paper	20%
59-below	F	Oral Presentation	20%

Attendance Policy: Students are expected to attend class regularly.

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Supported Browsers

Instructure products support the current and previous major releases of the following browsers:

- **Chrome** 102 and 103
- **Firefox** 101 and 102 ([Extended Releases](#) are not supported*)
- **Edge** 102 and 103

- **Respondus Lockdown Browser** (supporting the latest [system requirements](#))
- **Safari** 14 and 15 (Macintosh only)

You can verify that the browser you are currently using is up to date by using the browser checker tool in the link below.

<https://community.canvaslms.com/t5/Canvas-Basics-Guide/What-are-the-browser-and-computer-requirements-for-Canvas/ta-p/66>

Important note: If you need help downloading one of these browsers, The Online and Distance Education Staff will be happy to help you. Submit a helpdesk ticket by emailing DistanceEd@mvsu.edu. Please use your MVSU email address to submit your helpdesk ticket.

Cheating and Plagiarism: You are expected to submit your own work in all of the assignments and to give credit to authors when citing scholarly works (books, academic journal articles, conference publications, etc.) when you use them. Copying, and/or cheating of any kind will not be tolerated. Any student who submits another student's work as their own will have committed the act of plagiarism. This includes programming assignments and papers. Cutting and pasting from another paper (from web) without giving proper credit to the author of the original paper will be considered plagiarism. The student receives an automatic F on that paper/assignment if it is plagiarized. If the student commits the act of plagiarism a second time, then the student will receive an F grade for that class.

Any infraction will result in a grade of F, along with the student being reported to the appropriate disciplinary committee and the Dean of Student Affairs.

Academic Integrity Policy: Academic integrity is a commitment to the values of honesty, trustworthiness, fairness, respect and responsibility in academia. Academic integrity is violated by any dishonest act that is committed in an academic context. Honesty and integrity are essential values of the Mississippi Valley State University's mission to pursue truth and knowledge. Academic excellence can be reached only with the cooperation and support of students. Students are expected therefore to accept responsibility for maintaining honesty and integrity in all acts inside and outside the classroom, studio or laboratory.

For a detailed description of sanctions and appeal procedures, consult Student Handbook pg. 59.

https://www.mvsu.edu/sites/default/files/student_handbook

Late/Missed Assignments: Since assignments must be uploaded using Canvas, no assignments will be allowed to be submitted past the deadline. Students will have sufficient time to complete all assignments.

ADA/STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS:

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program at the beginning of each semester. For more information or to schedule an appointment, please contact Mrs. Kathy Brownlow, via phone or email at 662-254-3443 or kbrownlow@mvsu.edu.

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