

## CSCI 2700 Ethics in Computer Science

**Course Description:** A study of the ethical, social and legal impacts of computers and their applications. Specific attention will be paid to professional responsibility, issues of privacy, property rights, legal issues and real risks.

**Prerequisites:** Completion of CSCI 1200, CSCI 1210, CSCI 1301, or CSCI 2110.

**Textbook:** Ethics for the Information Age, by Michael J. Quinn, 4th Edition, Pearson/Addison Wesley. ISBN: 0-13-213387-3

**Grading:** How to earn points:

Category	Total Possible for each category
One point awarded for each day of attendance	16
Each homework is worth 10 points – 6 Homeworks	60
Paramedic Method Assignment	25
5 Trials	
You will be on one Pro group	5 points for being on the team 5 points for each point argued 1 point for each jury questioned answered 18 maximum points available 2 additional points if your group wins the trial
One Con group	5 points for being on the team 5 points for each point argued 1 point for each jury questioned answered 18 maximum points available 2 additional points if your group wins
Rest of the time – Jury member	1 point for a vote 2 points for each question asked 3 points Maximum available

Total points possible = 150

**Course Grade Scale:**

150 – 135 points = A  
134 – 120 points = B  
119 – 105 points = C  
104 – 90 points = D  
Less than 90 points = F.

**Attendance:** YOU ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND CLASS. While I do not require daily attendance your grade is largely based on class participation. I will not repeat lectures or provide lecture notes for those who miss class. It is your responsibility to find out from a fellow classmate what has taken place in class during your absence. You are responsible for all class material whether or not you attend class. If you stop attending class, do not assume I will drop you from the class.

**Make-up Policy:** Late homework will be accepted, but a penalty of 25% for each day or portion of a day beyond the due date will be deducted from the earned score. All homework will be due at the beginning of class on the due date listed on the assignment, so staying in the lab to work on an assignment during class will not increase the grade and will result in the student missing class. If, due to extraordinary circumstances, a student misses a class when an assignment is scheduled, the instructor must be notified at least a week in advance unless it is some type of emergency. A student may be required to submit documentation as proof of extraordinary circumstances. If the absence is an excusable absence, some form of made-up will be created.

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