

## Course Syllabus

NOTE: This syllabus is subject to change during the semester. Please check this syllabus on a regular basis for any updates.

Department : Computer Science  
Course Title : **Computer Ethics**  
Section Name : GAME1301  
Modality : ONLINE

## Instructor Information

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## Course Description

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A study of ethical issues that apply to computer related professions, intellectual property and privacy issues, professional responsibility, and the effects of globalization. Emphasized the practical application of computer ethics through case studies and current events in the game and simulation industry.

## Prerequisites/Corequisites

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Prerequisite: ITSC1401/BCIS 1405 or consent of instructor.

## Scans

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SCANS 1, 2, 5, 6, 9 & 10

## Course Objectives

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This class will help students gain understanding of ethical issues relating to computer/technology/gaming. They will explore issues relevant to today's industries and recognize where they stand on controversial issues.

### **Required Readings/Materials**

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#### **Ethics for the Information Age (4th edition)**

by Michael J. Quinn

978-0-13-213387-6

### **Course Requirements (Lectures, Assignments and Assessments)**

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Chapter Exams :	30%
Labs:	30%
Discussion Board:	20%
Final:	20%

### **Assignments and Scheduling**

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Assignments, labs, exams, and discussion board will be listed in Blackboard. Please see blackboard for due dates.

### **Grading Policy**

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I do not accept late work. Technological issues will not be considered as valid grounds for late assignment submission. In the event of a server outage, students should submit assignments to the instructor.

<b>Percentage %</b>	<b>Grade</b>
90-100%	A
80-89%	B
70-79%	C
60-69%	D

### **Special Needs**

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Odessa College complies with Section 504 of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. If you have any special needs or issues pertaining to your access to and participation in this or any other class at Odessa College, please feel free to contact me to discuss your concerns. You may also call the Office of Disability services at 432-335-6861 to request assistance and accommodations.

### **Learning Resource Center (Library)**

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The Library, known as the Learning Resources Center, provides research assistance via the LRC's catalog (print books, videos, e-books) and databases (journal and magazine articles). Research guides covering specific subject areas, tutorials, and the "Ask a Librarian" service provide additional help.

### **Student E-mail**

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Please access your Odessa College Student E-mail, by following the link to either set up or update your account: <http://www.odessa.edu/gmail/>. All correspondence will be submitted using your Odessa College email.

### **Student Portal**

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### **Technical Support**

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For Blackboard username and password help and for help accessing your online course availability and student email account contact the Student Success Center at 432-335-6878 or online at [https://www.odessa.edu/dept/ssc/helpdesk\\_form.htm](https://www.odessa.edu/dept/ssc/helpdesk_form.htm).

### **Important School Policies**

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For information regarding student support services, academic dishonesty, disciplinary actions, special accommodations, or student's and instructors' right to academic freedom can be found in the Odessa College Student Handbook.