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## SI 410 Ethics and Information Technology

### SCHEDULE

#### Week 1: Ethics and Information Technology

7 September	Course Logistics (+ ethics survey)
8 September	Lab: Using Library Electronic Resources (Scott Dennis, MLibrary)
9 September	Computer Ethics

#### Discussion Guide 1

#### Essay Assignment

#### Week 2: Ethics and Information Technology

14 September	Models
15 September	Lab: Essay Writing Fundamentals (Sweetland Center)
16 September	Infosphere

**Due: Essay Topic (4:00 pm)**

#### Week 3: Ethics and Information Technology

21 September	Philosophy and Object Oriented Programming (Guest)
22 September	Lab: Personal Ethical Behavior (findings of survey)
23 September	Back to the Really Big Picture

#### Week 4: Information Integrity

28 September	Boundaries of Trust
29 September	Lab: Introduction to MediaWiki
30 September	Wikipedia as an Information System

#### Discussion Guide 2

**Due: 1<sup>st</sup> Draft of Essay**

#### MediaWiki Assignment

#### Week 5: Information Integrity

5 October	Wikipedia and Trust Management
6 October	Lab: Advanced MediaWiki
7 October	Wikipedia and Anonymity

**Due: 1<sup>st</sup> MediaWiki Entries**

#### Week 6: Information Integrity

12 October	Plagiarism in the Online Environment
13 October	Discussion: Integrity and Trust
14 October	Enforcing Integrity

**Week 7: Presentations**

19 October      Study Break: No Class Today  
20 October      Lab: Student Presentations on MediaWiki  
21 October      Student Presentations on MediaWiki

**Due: Revised Essay****Week 8: Avatars & Identity**

26 October      What is an avatar?  
27 October      Lab: Briefing on Assignment and Tools  
28 October      Identity in Cyberspace

**Discussion Guide 3****Avatar Assignment****Week 9: Avatars & Identity**

2 November      Avatars: Continuum or Prosthesis  
3 November      Lab: Avatar Construction  
4 November      Avatars and Anonymity

**Week 10: Avatars & Identity**

9 November      Privacy Reconsidered  
10 November      Lab: Unreal Engine  
11 November      Synthesis of Identity and Virtuality

**Game Scenario Assignment****Due: Avatar Reflection****Week 11: Virtual Environments**

16 November      Ethics of Game Play  
17 November      Lab: Unreal Engine  
18 November      War Gaming

**Discussion Guide 4****Week 12: Virtual Environments**

23 November      Gaining Advantage in Virtual Environments  
24 November      Lab: Bartle Test of Gaming Personality  
25 November      Thanksgiving Break

**Week 13: Virtual Environments**

30 November      Games and Gender  
1 December      Lab: Virtual Environments Free Time  
2 December      Rape in Cyberspace Revisited

**Due: Game Scenario (Team)****Week 14: Ethics and Information Technology**

7 December      Team Presentations on Virtual Environments  
8 December      Lab: Team Presentations on Virtual Environments  
9 December      Making Sense of Ethics and Information Technology

**13 December (11:55 pm)****Due: Final MediaWiki Entries + All Excused Late Work**