ESE # 301 Title: Engineering Ethics and Social Impact

Course Designation: Required / Elective


Prerequisites: U3 or U4 standing

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Goals: The study of ethical decisions confronting individuals and organizations in engineering and science. Related questions about moral conduct, character, ideals, and relationships of people and organizations involved in technical development are discussed. Ethics codes for engineers, computer scientists, and natural scientists are covered. Includes topics in patent law such as licensing, antitrust, misappropriation, espionage, electronic communication privacy, computer fraud and abuse, reverse engineering, ownership and enforcement, export controls

Objectives: Students develop an awareness of ethical challenges they will face during their careers and will be prepared to respond appropriately using moral decision making processes. Introduction to leadership and project management. Exposure to intellectual property law and valuation of intellectual property rights (IPR).

Topics Covered:

| Professionalism and Codes of Ethics |
| Understanding Ethical Problems |
| Ethical Problem Solving Techniques |
| Risk, Safety, and Accidents |
| The Rights and Responsibilities of Engineers |
| Ethical Issues in Engineering Practice |
| Intellectual Property Patents |
| Intellectual Property Trademarks/Copyrights |
Grading System: Class Assignments/Participation: 20%; Mid-term Exam 40%, and Final Exam 40%.

Program Outcomes

- (a) an ability to apply knowledge of mathematics, science and engineering
- (b1) an ability to design and conduct experiments
- (b2) an ability to analyze and interpret data
- (c) an ability to design a system, component, or process to meet desired needs within realistic constraints such as economic, environmental, social, political, ethical, health and safety, manufacturability, and sustainability
- (d) an ability to function on multi-disciplinary teams
- (e) an ability to identify, formulate, and solve engineering problems
- (f) an understanding of professional and ethical responsibility
- (g) an ability to communicate effectively
- (h) the broad education necessary to understand the impact of engineering solutions in a global, economic, environmental, and societal context
- (i) a recognition of the need for, and an ability to engage in life-long learning
- (j) a knowledge of contemporary issues
- (k) an ability to use the techniques, skills, and modern engineering tools necessary for engineering practice
- Any other outcomes and assessments?

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