

**WILMINGTON UNIVERSITY**  
**COURSE INFORMATION & SCHEDULE**

**FACULTY MEMBER:**

**TERM:**

**COURSE TITLE:** Ethics for Computer Professionals

**COURSE NUMBER:** PHI 314

**OFFICE HOURS/METHOD OF CONTACT:**

**TEXTBOOKS**

A list of course textbooks are available on the [Wilmington University Bookstore website](http://bookstore.wilmu.edu/).  
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**COMPUTER REQUIREMENTS:**

Students taking this online course will be required to take exams in a proctored environment using Respondus Monitor which requires a LockDown Browser and webcam. Many computers come built-in with a webcam or you can use the type that plugs in with a USB cable. Students can purchase a low cost web cam online or directly through the Wilmington University Campus Store using financial aid funds. Web cams can be purchased from many online stores, such as Amazon, for as little as \$14.99.

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

The theory and practice of ethics for computer professionals are examined. The primary goal of the course is to study the basis for ethical decision making and the methodology for reaching ethical decisions. Ethical issues related to the design, implementation, application, and protection of computer and information systems are explored. Emphasis is placed on the technical and administrative aspects of computer and Internet crimes, safeguards and security, privacy, confidentiality, and data integrity.

**COURSE OBJECTIVES:**

This course will provide students with the knowledge and skills to:

- 1.

**A. Teaching Methods:**

This is a distance learning course. You will be required to demonstrate that you

related to information technology. Articles will be submitted through the assignment section on Canvas and also posted on the discussion board for the entire class to read and discuss the following week. Credible sources such as a newspaper or technical magazine must be used for the current event source. Please note that Wikipedia is not a credible source and cannot be used for your current event.

- **Exams** - Three tests based on the lectures, cases, current event articles, discussion board posts and chapter materials. Tests will be proctored using the Respondus Lockdown browser
- **Ethics Topic Assignments** - Paper, mind map, and presentation on an ethics topic. Students will choose a topic related to ethics in information technology. They will write a 4 page APA paper and create a mind map on their topic. Using just their mind map students will do a video presentation. In Week 7, you will critique 3 of your classmates projects..