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CSST 1370 Ethics of Computer/Network Resources

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Class: Online

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Textbook: Spinello and Tavani (eds.) *Cyberethics: Morality and Law in Cyberspace, 7th ed.*, Jones and Bartlett. Print ISBN: 9781284184068, 1284184064 eText ISBN: 9781284210330, 1284210332

Computer Science SLOs

- Understand modern computer systems, databases, and networking.

Marketable Skills

Students will develop logical and analytical skills

Students will use problem-solving skills

Students will know computing methodologies in demand by public and private sectors

Time permitting course topics

- The emergence of the global network the Internet, its constituent networks, the associated digital revolution present an array of new threats, and opportunities for business in the 21st century.
- No other technical innovation has reached critical mass so rapidly or sustained such exponential growth.
- Provide students with the conceptual tools to understand the technological, geopolitical, and legal environment affecting telecommunications, and information processing.
- Specific topic coverage includes the following (time permitting):
 - Historical Perspective
 - Ethical Commerce
 - Jurisdiction and Governance Issues in Cyberspace
 - ICANN
 - Fair Completion in Cyberspace
 - Free Speech on the Global Network
 - International Censorship and Terrorism
 - Intellectual Property (IP) Issues
 - Future of Copyright
 - Regulating Privacy

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DISTANCE EDUCATION STATEMENT

Students enrolled in distance education courses have equal access to the university's academic support services, such as Smarthinking, library resources, such as online databases, and instructional technology support. For more information about accessing these resources, visit the SRSU website. Students should correspond using Sul Ross email accounts and submit online assignments through Blackboard, which requires secure login information to verify students' identities and to protect students' information. The procedures for filing a student complaint are included in the student handbook. Students enrolled in distance education courses at Sul Ross are expected to adhere to all policies pertaining to academic honesty and appropriate student conduct, as described in the student handbook. Students in web-based courses must maintain appropriate equipment and software, according to the needs and requirements of the course, as outlined on the SRSU website

STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS:

Sul Ross State University (SRSU) is committed to equal access in compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act of 1973. It is SRSU policy to provide reasonable accommodations to students with documented disabilities. It is the Student's responsibility to initiate a request. Please contact Ms. Rebecca Greathouse Wren, M.Ed., LPC-S, Director/Counselor, Accessibility Services Coordinator, Ferguson Hall (Suite 112) at 432.837.8203; mailing address is P.O. Box C-122, Sul Ross State University, Alpine, Texas 79832. Students should then contact the instructor as soon as possible to initiate the recommended accommodations.

STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES AND BLACKBOARD HELP DESK

Sul Ross State University has established a variety of programs to help students meet the challenges of college life. Support to students includes advising, counseling, mentoring, tutoring, supplemental instruction, and writing assistance. For a complete list of academic support services, visit the Student Support Services <https://www.sulross.edu/section/311/student-support-services>. For more information, students are encouraged to contact SSS at (432) 837-9118 or visit Ferguson Hall Room 105. For Blackboard help visit <https://www.sulross.edu/bb> or call 432-837-8523 (M-F 09:00 am-06:00 pm). You can get The Distance Education Handbook at <https://tvpb.sulross.edu/start/index.html>

The Support Desk is where you can direct your more technical questions. For example, if you are having issues submitting a document, getting videos to play, or you are dealing with a technical error in the course. The support desk is open 24 hours a day/7 days a week for your convenience. You can reach the support desk:

By calling 888.837.6055, via email blackboardsupport@sulross.edu, using resources from the Technology Support tab within blackboard, and clicking the Support Desk graphic on the course homepage

Course Policies

Quizzes and assignments must be submitted on time. This a short course assignments need to be turned in every week.

Academic Dishonesty

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Honesty in completing assignments is essential to the mission of the university and to the development of the personal integrity of the student. **Cheating, plagiarism** (also means taking information off line and using it as your own content), or other kinds of academic dishonesty will not be tolerated and will result in appropriate sanctions that may include failing an assignment, failing the class, or being suspended or expelled. Suspected cases in this course may be reported to Student Life. Please note that information online is not free even though there is public access to the information. When using online resources, you must properly cite your reference in the paper as well as on the reference page.

Posting of Grades

Grades are on display in blackboard. Submitting assignments and test are done in blackboard. **Do not** email assignments or test to me everything is to be put into blackboard.

Grading

Letter grades will be determined using a standard percentage point evaluation as outlined below. Please note that this is a tentative schedule and can change. Any changes that happen will be updated in Blackboard. Due Dates for assignments will also be posted in Blackboard.

Your final grade will be determined by calculating points based on the following weights:

- A 90 - 100 points
- B 80 - 89 points
- C 70 – 79 points
- D 60 – 69 points
- F below 60 points

Each week you will have a quiz and a final exam. The final exam is over the entire class. No mid-term. Quizzes and Final is worth 100 points per quiz and final.

W	DATES	TOPICS	READINGS
1	May 20-24	The Internet and Ethical Values	Chapter 1 QUIZ
2	May 25-31	Chapter 2: Information and Power: Regulating and Governing Networked Technologies	Chapter 2 QUIZ
3	June 1-6	Chapter 3: Free Speech Issues	Chapter 3 QUIZ
4	June 7-13	Chapter 4: Intellectual Property in Cyberspace	Chapters 4 QUIZ

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5	June 14-20	Chapter 5: Privacy Rights in the Age of Surveillance	Chapter 5 QUIZ
6	June 21-26	Chapter 6: Cybersecurity	Chapter 6-Quiz Final Exam