

Wagner College
ETHICS AND THE INTERNET
RFT 22
Dr. Adrian Ionescu

TEXTBOOKS: *Computers, Ethics, and Society*, 3rd Edition (main book)
by M. David Ermann & Michele S. Shauf, ISBN 0-19-514302-7
Keys For Writers, Raimes, Houghton Mifflin Pub.

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COURSE WEB PAGE: <http://ionescu.pageout.net/>

COURSE OBJECTIVES: This course is designed to enhance your ability to critically think about issues surrounding the RFT theme, diversity, the business world and current events and to express your thoughts clearly and distinctly in oral and written form.

PURPOSE:

- Discuss issues related to the themes of the ethics & history of internet
- Develop an awareness of the personal and societal relevance of science & internet
- Improve oral & written communication skills and problem-solving skills
- Develop the student's original thinking skills through systematic reflection & discussion

ASSIGNMENTS: Assignments will be given periodically throughout the course. These include writing projects, both formal and informal, as well as reading projects. Some assignments will be weighted differently than others.

RESEARCH PAPER: Using APA style, research paper must be properly cited with at least 5 sources and grammatically correct.

WRITING CENTER: For help with any stage of your paper-getting started, organizing ideas, or final polishing--you can make an appointment with one of the WITs by calling the Writing Center, 420-4234 (or just drop by). The Writing Center is downstairs in the library. Any WIT can help, Sundays-Fridays. Check <http://wagner.edu/writing> for hours, and if these hours are not convenient for you, e-mail writing@wagner.edu, about meeting a WIT outside of regular hours.

GRADE DISTRIBUTION

Attendance and Participation	20%
Critical analysis of <i>Honky</i>	10%
Assignments	30%
Final Research Paper	30%
N. Y. Times Discussion of Articles relating to Internet & Ethics	10%

GRADING SCALE: Letter grades will be determined by the following scale, where 100 corresponds to the highest point total earned by any student in the class:

Average	Grade
93 - 100	A
90 - 92	A-
87 - 89	B+
83 - 86	B
80 - 82	B-
77 - 79	C+
73 - 76	C
70 - 72	C-
67 - 69	D+
60 - 66	D
< 60	F

COURSE POLICIES:

- There will be no make-up examinations. *A student who is unable to attend a major examination due to illness or other emergency is required to contact his instructor within 24 hours of the exam time.* If an exam is missed due to an emergency, the final will be counted twice; once as a final, and once in place of the missed exam. Late homework will not be graded.
- Any preceding policies may be waived at my discretion

For inclement weather updates or other announcements please check your e-mail and the following page regularly: <http://www.wagner.edu/faculty/users/ionescu/notes.htm>.

If you have a disability for which you may be requesting an accommodation, you are encouraged to contact both your instructor and Dina Assante in the Academic Advisement Center, 390-3278 as early as possible in the term.