

MINNESOTA WEST COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE

COURSE OUTLINE

DEPT. CST

COURSE NUMBER: 1182

NUMBER OF CREDITS: 1

Lecture: 1 Lab: 0 OJT: 0

Course Title:
Computer Ethics

Catalog Description:
Computer Ethics discusses the ethical issues relating to computers and technology including social networking, cell phone use, digital copyrights, and legal issues. Current events and topics related to technology and how it has changed our society will be discussed. Policies that address ethical technology issues will be developed.

Prerequisites or Necessary Entry Skills/Knowledge:
None

FULFILLS MN TRANSFER CURRICULUM AREA(S) (*Leave blank if not applicable*)

- ☐ Goal 1: Communication: By meeting the following competencies:
- ☐ Goal 2: Critical Thinking: By meeting the following competencies:
- ☐ Goal 3: Natural Sciences: By meeting the following competencies:
- ☐ Goal 4: Mathematics/Logical Reasoning: By meeting the following competencies:
- ☐ Goal 5: History and the Social and Behavioral Sciences: By meeting the following competencies:
- ☐ Goal 6: The Humanities and Fine Arts: By meeting the following competencies:
- ☐ Goal 7: Human Diversity: By meeting the following competencies:
- ☐ Goal 8: Global Perspective: By meeting the following competencies:
- ☐ Goal 9: Ethical and Civic Responsibility: By meeting the following competencies:
- ☐ Goal 10: People and the Environment: By meeting the following competencies:

Topics to be Covered
Social networking
Role of the IT professional
How technology has changed our Society

Student Learning Outcomes
Identify networked communications
Describe digital network communications
Identify ethical practices regarding digital communications

Describe social networking
Describe intellectual property
Discuss legislation relating to digital communications
Discuss expectations of privacy
Describe the role of the Computer or Network technician as it relates to ethical issues

Is this course part of a transfer pathway: Yes ☐ No ☒

***If yes, please list the competencies below**

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