Honors Philosophy 122  
Honors Seminar: The Ethics of Technology  
June 14-July 23

- How should we determine who gets medical treatment during a pandemic?
- What are the ethical implications of the government implementing a digital contact tracing program?
- Should we pass legislation to prohibit public use of facial recognition technology?
- Is the use of A.I.s and predictive algorithms in the criminal justice system moral?

Take advantage of the first-ever Honors summer class to explore a number of important ethical issues that have arisen in the wake of the many advancements in technology. More than ever, you need tools to think deeply about these important ethical decisions with widespread impact on your life. We will develop a framework for discussing ethics and what it means to be ethical and why that is important to you. We will explore many different learning platforms to engage every type of learner. This course will be engaging, including lively discussions during the synchronous classes and we will even work together to create an ethical podcast.

TuTh 12:35-2:20 PM  #0110  IGETC 3B, CSU C2; Honors Seminar  
Online/Synchronous  Two weekly meetings on Zoom

Professor Jennifer Smith transferred from Los Medanos College to University of California, Berkeley; where she earned a BA in Philosophy. She then went on to San Francisco State University to earn a MA in Philosophy. She loves being in nature, as an avid hiker or the place she feels most at peace kayaking in the ocean. When not teaching or being in nature, you will find her reading recipes to create her newest meal in the kitchen.

Honors Course Schedule & Instruction Mode Details  

Online/Synchronous: This six-week summer course lasts from June 14 to July 23. Class meets twice per week on Zoom. All other work is done asynchronously online on Canvas.

This course will count towards the two required Honors Courses for Academic Year 2021-22. It meets the Honors Seminar requirement for the Honors Scholar medal.