



Honors Philosophy 122

Honors Seminar: The Ethics of Technology

June 13-July 21

- Is Twitter morally obliged to block racist ideologies or scientifically incorrect beliefs?
- What ethical commands should driverless cars be given?
- 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?

This popular class explores a variety of important ethical issues that have

arisen in the wake of recent advancements in technology. More than ever, you need tools to think deeply about these important ethical decisions with widespread impact on your life.

First, we will develop a framework for discussing ethics and what it means to be ethical and why that is important to you. This hybrid and engaging course will use a variety of learning platforms,

including lively discussion during the on-campus classes and online where

we will explore intriguing topics related to technology. Your final project will be creating a short video in teams on an issue you choose related to technology ethics. We will watch your video in

class—after which your team will help to guide an in-class discussion on the topic. Don't miss this opportunity to take the required Honors Seminar this summer in a flexible, fun and accelerated way.

TuTh 12:30-2:35PM #0110 IGETC 3B, CSU C2; Honors Seminar

Hybrid Class: Two In-Person Meetings Weekly

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

This six-week summer course lasts from June 13 to July 21. Class meets twice per week in-person on the LMC Pittsburg campus. All other work is done asynchronously online on Canvas.

This course will count towards the two required Honors Courses for Academic Year 2022-23. It meets the Honors Seminar requirement for the Honors Scholar medal.