CSCD Computer Ethics

Individual Writing Project: Internet Implications

Collect news articles, from print or electronic sources, on failures and/or problems caused by computer technology. The articles should be current, that is, published during the last six months. Write a brief summary and commentary on **two** articles indicating how they relate to topics covered in our text book.

Examples of topics from the text book.

- ❖ Intellectual Property
- ❖ Information Privacy
    - o Information Disclosures
    - o Data Mining
    - o Consumer Backlash
    - o DMCA
    - o Open Source
- ❖ Privacy and the Government
    - o Covert Government Surveillance
    - o USA Patriot Act
    - o Data Mining by the Government
    - o National ID Card
    - o Invasion
- ❖ Computer and Network Security
    - o Malware
    - o Hacking
    - o Cyber Crime and Cyber Attacks
    - o Online Voting
- ❖ Computer Reliability
    - o Data Entry or Data Retrieval Errors
    - o Software and Billing Errors
    - o System Failures
    - o Computer Simulations
- ❖ Professional Ethics
- ❖ Work and Wealth
    - o Automation and Employment
    - o Globalization
    - o Digital Divide
- ❖ Plagiarism

Deliverable:

Submit as a one page, double-spaced Word document and the two scanned articles delivered to Canvas.

Submit the two articles as pdf files. (You may print the files to a pdf.)

Do Not Zip Your Files!

IMPORTANT: Do not forget to identify your assignment deliverables with the course number, date, week number, and assignment name. Papers submitted without this format may not be graded or credited.

NOTE:

This document will be very loosely graded satisfactory/unsatisfactory or pass/fail. Papers submitted on time can be revised and resubmitted to improve their grade. Late papers will not be regraded.

Feedback will be given to the chosen technological issue, guiding students in their examination of evidence and identification of patterns and anomalies, as well as selection of suitable resources.

In this phase of the assignment, students will demonstrate Analytical Thinking by systematically examining evidence to identify patterns and anomalies.

In this phase of the assignment, students will demonstrate Written Communication by submitting a clearly written summary of the articles researched.