Project Title:

Ethics in Social Media and Influencer Culture: Responsibility and Accountability in the Digital Age

To analyze the moral obligations of content producers and social media influencers, examine typical moral dilemmas they encounter, and take into account the consequences for followers, brands, and society.

Project Outline:

1. Introduction to Social Media Ethics

- Objective: Provide an overview of why ethics are important on social media, especially concerning influencers. Discuss how influencers shape culture, lifestyle, and consumer behavior.
- **Key Points:**
 - Definition of influencers and their role in digital marketing.
 - Brief history and growth of influencer culture.
 - Overview of ethical principles that apply to influencers: transparency, honesty, and responsibility.

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Key Ethical Issues in Influencer Culture

- **Objective:** Identify and explain the major ethical issues in influencer culture.
- Key Topics:
 - Transparency and Disclosure: The ethical importance of disclosing sponsorships and paid content.
 - **Honesty in Product Reviews:** The responsibility of influencers to provide honest, fact-based reviews.
 - **Privacy and Consent:** The ethical considerations around posting content that involves others, especially minors.
 - o **Influencer Authenticity vs. Brand Pressure:** The potential conflict between maintaining authenticity and brand expectations.
 - o **Mental Health Impact:** How influencer culture impacts followers' mental health and self-esteem.

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Case Studies of Ethical Issues

• **Objective:** Analyze real-life cases where influencers faced ethical controversies.

Describe what happened, the ethical issue involved, and the outcome.

Examples of Cases to Study:

- o Influencers who failed to disclose sponsored content.
- Cases of misleading or false advertising (e.g., promoting ineffective or dangerous products).
- Incidents where influencers violated privacy or used sensitive topics for clicks or publicity.

GROUP III - SAPIRA, Lee

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CATEGORY	POINTS		Criteria
	30	30	Comprehensive analysis of ethical
Research and			values; demonstrates deep understanding
Content Depth			with well-chosen examples.
		25	Covers most values with solid analysis; relevant examples included.
		20	Basic coverage of values; limited depth or focus.
	25	25	Uses 2-3 relevant case studies; connects
Case Studies and			well to ethical values with clear
Real-Life Examples			explanations.
		20	Uses $1-2$ case studies; lacks depth in
			analysis.
Application of Ethical	20	25	Excellent application of values to real-
Values			life scenarios with clear explanations.
		20	Good application of values, though may
			lack of depth.

Survey Engagement	15	15	Well-designed survey with insightful analysis of follower views.
		10	Basic survey with some analysis of results.
Group Collaboration and Participation	10	10	Strong collaboration; equal presentation.
-		7	Good collaboration, though some members contributed more than others.
TOTAL	100		

INTRUCTIONS:

The measures that follow should be taken when working in groups and collaborating:

- 1. Select a group leader.
- 2. Every member of a group needs to participate and contribute to the final product.
- 3. The group leader is in charge of keeping track of records and reporting on each member's duties and responsibilities.
- 4. This is for an individual grade in group collaboration. The leader must attach or included the report record for my assessment.
- 5. Submit and attach the pdf file to my lindalachama@g.batstate-u.edu.ph account.