Grading Rubric for Research Paper
CI 2311W: Intro to Technology & Ethics in Society

Paper Component	full points	part points	no points
Technical specifications (no associated point value; this is a non-negotiable expectation)			All papers must adhere to the document specifications listed in the assignment instructions: double spaced with standard 1" margins. The content of your paper must also be at least 1300 words in length. And this word length requirement does not include the Title page or the List of Sources page(s). If your paper is slightly longer than 1300 words, that is stil acceptable. There will be no penalty for going longer. However, if your paper is less than the minimum word count, **the paper will be returned to you, ungraded.** If the final paper does not adhere to the document specifications listed in the assignment instructions (does not use double spacing and standard 1" margins) **the paper will be returned to you, ungraded.**
Title page (10 points possible)	Paper begins with a <u>separate</u> title page that includes ALL of the following five components: **student name, course number, section number**, **date of submission, brief title of the paper.**	Paper begins with a <u>separate</u> title page, but it is missing 1-2 of the following components: student name, course number, section number, date of submission, brief title of the paper.	Paper begins with a <u>separate</u> title page, but it is missing more than 2 of the following components: student name, course number, section number, date of submission, brief title of the paper summarizing the premise or content. Or no separate title page was included at the beginning of the paper.
The First Part: Introduction of the the topic: background (10 points possible)	Very effective opening paragraph(s) introducing the background of topic you are going to discuss in the paper. Captures reader's attention	Moderately effective opening paragraph(s) introducing what will be discussed throughout the paper, and minimally captures readers' attention.	Ineffective opening paragraph(s); does not provide a proper introduction to the paper. Or a proper introduction to the paper is not provided at al . Confuse your readers.

Second Part: **Ethical Dilemmas** **And Your Strategy** (60 points possible)	Clearly state the ethical dilemmas in the topic and analyze what ethical theories/principles are behind the dilemmas. 1) need to use **at least two ethical theories,** which are referenced and defined. 2) Critical analysis is **very thoughtful and evidence-based.** It means you need to use external sources to support them. 3) Based on the dilemma, propose your strategy. The strategy needs to take the interests of all stake-holders. 4a's strategy in Budinger and Budinger might be helpful. It could be design/improve the software, or propose strategy.	The principles or theories are referenced, but they are only addressed briefly and not fully. Critical analysis was sufficient but examples were not included to support the points made in the paper. The design/improvement of application, or strategy/method did not well address the dilemmas.	Basic ethical principles and theories were not adequately addressed. Critical analysis was insufficient. The design/improvement of application, or strategy/method did not address the dilemmas at all.
Summary or **Conclusions** (10 points possible)	Very effective at providing a summary of the key points and illustrate the possible limitation of your method if there is any.	Moderately effective at providing a summary of the key points and illustrate the possible limitation of your method if there is any.	Weak summary of the key points

Organization (10 points possible)	Very well organized, demonstrates logical sequencing and structure. Paper generally follows a logical progression and includes proper transitions between paragraphs.	Suitably organized, but demonstrates some illogical sequencing or structure. There are some problems with logical progression of the paper or some weak transitions between paragraphs.	Weakly organized with no logical sequencing or structure and the writing was difficult to follow throughout. Paper fails to follow a logical progression and does not include proper transitions between paragraphs.
Mechanics: Spelling, Grammar, & Sentence Structure (10 points possible)	Proper spel ing and grammar used throughout. Proper sentence structure and complete sentences were used throughout. NO run-on sentences, unclear sentences, or awkward arrangement of sentence structure.	1-5 misspelings, uses of improper grammar or improperly structured sentences that did not significantly distract the reader. 1-5 run-on sentences, unclear sentences, or awkward arrangement of sentence structure.	More than 5 misspelings, uses of improper grammar, or improperly structured sentences that distracted the reader from the content and quality of the writing. More than 5 run-on sentences, unclear sentences, or awkward arrangement of sentence structure.
APA or MLA formatting throughout document + List of Sources (10 points possible)	Uses correct APA or MLA formatting throughout the paper, including properly formatted in-text citations and list of sources. The citation for each source is complete and properly composed according to the formatting style used. If APA format is used for the list of sources at the end of the paper, "References" is centered at the top of the first page of sources; If MLA format is used, "Works Cited" is centered at the top.	1 – 5 blatant errors in APA or MLA formatting. Minor errors will not be penalized. Some missing components in list of sources.	More than 5 blatant errors in APA or MLA formatting. Minor errors wil not be penalized. More than 5 errors or missing components in list of sources.

Student name:

Points Earned	Total Points Possible	Percentage	Grade
	120		

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