**Information Ethics**

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**Academic Integrity**

When you start a research project, you will be learning from academics and authors who have looked at problems connected to your field of interest. You must engage with more sources than just one or two in order to address your study topic with seriousness. College-level research goes beyond identifying a single "correct" solution. To fully understand the depth of your subject, you need study a variety of sources.

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In addition to ensuring that your instructors have a thorough understanding of your knowledge, acting ethically as a student will allow you to deepen your understanding of the material you are studying by sincerely engaging with it, seeking out a variety of viewpoints, and clearly expressing your own ideas.

**Information Has Value**

Information has significance because it may educate you on new concepts and lay the groundwork for original thoughts and discoveries from your own perspective. A fundamental aspect of being a student is seeking out fresh information from a variety of sources. Getting new knowledge may help you develop your own worldview and provide you the tools you need to think critically in both your personal and professional endeavours.

Although not always effective, paying attention to your social media accounts' privacy settings can assist. When disclosing details about yourself and others, have a healthy level of self-awareness in mind and be mindful of potential issues. When handling data and information, you have an impact on both other people and yourself. It's crucial to remember that how you manage information can have both good and perhaps bad effects on a bigger group.

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**Introduction to Digital Citizenship**

Consider both the big-picture ideals and how those values relate to your own digital life while creating your code of ethics. You also have obligations as a digital citizen, such as encouraging civil, fact-based conversations online. An ethical and lawful way to access digital sources, use online information to make educated decisions, and assist others in doing the same are all characteristics of a digital citizen. Student Monique says she will apply principles like respecting others' privacy and exercising critical thought to her specific commitments. She also likes taking photos of sports and working at the student health clinic.

**Digital Citizenship in Practice**

As a responsible digital citizen, Monique understands the value of learning as much as she can about topics that affect her and her neighbourhood. She prefers the brief news articles that are available on her social media feed due to her hectic schedule as a student, photographer, and volunteer. Every other post promotes a fitness class or makes false claims about a miraculous sports diet. She begins to deliberately look for well-reasoned, scientifically sound sources from many websites to learn the complete context of the videos she sees on social media. She can better serve the students that come to the clinic since she is well-prepared and has a deeper knowledge based on reliable information.

**Quiz**

