Reflections Rubric – CSE3K 2023

Basic Outline:

I want you to submit two (2) reflections throughout the course. These are short papers that you will use to reflect on the readings and topics in the course with an eye towards how they can be used in your future working life.

* 600-800 words (about 1.5 pages single spaced, or 2.5 pages double spaced)
  + Citations required and a short bibliography of anything you cite. Doesn’t need to be much, but citation is important.
* On a topic or reading discussed in the course
* Relate the content of that reading or topic to what you are learning as a CSE major

I am leaving it up to all of you when to do these and on which topic these reflections are on. I want this to be self-directed so that you can choose those things that most interest you, or are the most relevant to what kind of work you will be doing after graduation.

These can take many different forms, but generally you will want to engage with the topic/reading and do one of the following:

* Agree with the issues raised and apply them to your CSE knowledge
* Disagree with the perspective and explain why
  + Best to explain why using your knowledge of CSE (reminder that you are writing to me – an audience that is technology literate, but not a technical expert)
* Modify or otherwise change the topic based on your experience in CSE
  + Something like, “X moral/social idea is good, but in the context of Y technology we need to think about it in this new way…)

Points breakdown:

15 total points

4 points: Knowledge of the reading/topic to the extent you read it and were present for the discussion

* I will not expect you to know everything, but glaring mistakes as to what the reading said, what was discussed in class, or failure to cite will lose points.

8 points: Application of your perspective and knowledge to these ideas, or these ideas to CSE

* The main purpose is for you to find connections between these social and moral ideas and your expertise in whichever CSE field you are interested in or will be working in.

3 points: Grammar, spelling, citation

* Readability and proper format.
* It doesn’t matter which format you chose for the paper and citations, so long as it is consistent and clearly understandable.