**Should universities be allowed to monitor student email and social media accounts? If so, under what circumstances?**

I believe universities should monitor student email and social media to a certain degree. I can see the significant benefits in monitoring these accounts in terms of safety. With this oversight, things such as cyber-bullying and safety threats, like school shootings, can be better prevented. However, a lot of times if you give people an inch, they end up taking a yard. I wish I could say that schools would only monitor these accounts up to a certain point, but that’s not always the reality.

**What crosses the line between campus safety and invasion of privacy?**

I believe the line between campus safety and invasion of privacy is thin, but can exist. For example, campuses may have cameras set up lecture halls, parking areas, entrances/exits for safety purposes, but they would not have them set up in residential restrooms or bedrooms since that would cross the line. The same could be said about monitoring a student’s social media and email conversations. For safety precautions, I could see schools wanting to keep an eye out for any suspicious activity occurring, much like setting cameras up in lecture halls. However, spying on personal conversations within a student’s social media account is like setting up a camera in their bathroom.

**Should Robert have been punished for cheating in class if he did not know his email was being monitored? What about his tutor?**

For me, this gets really complicated because I assume Robert had to give consent in some form to allow the university to monitor his social media and email accounts. I also assume the university has rules and regulations set up that involve immediate punishment if academic dishonesty takes place, such as cheating. In that regard, both Robert and the tutor should be liable for punishment since they did in fact cheat on multiple homework assignments and quizzes. However, I also believe there was an ethical injustice done since the university crossed the line and monitored more than what they told Robert.