

# Final Project Description: Ethical Dilemma Research Paper

Throughout the semester, you will choose an *informatics ethical dilemma* and apply *three ethical perspectives* covered in the class to explore potential solutions to your selected dilemma. You are required to apply readings from the course as well as readings from outside of the course, including incorporating the three ethical theories as part of your analysis. This final project is broken down into several components that you will complete throughout the semester.

**Proposal (week 3):** must include the proposed *title* of your research paper as well as a one-page description of the *informatics ethical dilemma*. At this stage, you are not required to have settled on your ethical theories yet. Please make sure to include your *strategy* for finding appropriate outside readings.

[PHASE2A]

**Outline (week 6):** will typically include bulleted lists, filling in as much detail as you have ready at this point; must include the three planned ethical theories; must **list** of at least **10** potentially relevant references / scholarly readings, with **5** of them coming from beyond the course syllabus (external sources). [PHASE2B]

**Rough Draft (week 10):** must be at least a half-complete version of your final paper; should be 1,000-2,500 words; must **cite** at least **10** sources, including **5** from external sources. [PHASE2C]

**Final Paper (week 15):** must be complete, coherent, and easy to read; must incorporate feedback from all previous stages; should be 2000-2500 words; must cite at least **20** sources, including **10** external sources. [PHASE2D]

**Peer Reviews of Rough Draft (week 10-11):** peer-review the rough draft of two of your peers; prepare a one page peer review for each of them; must include: a brief summary of the purpose and content of the paper as you understood it, the strengths of the paper, and constructive feedback on how to improve it

**Final Presentation (week 15):** record a 5-min video presentation of your paper.