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ITMM 485 / 585
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Legal and Ethical Issues in
 Information Technology



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**Ch1: Introduction to Ethics and
 the Law**
**Part I: Introduction to the
 Course**



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Learning Objectives:

- Clearly understand syllabus and requirements
- Define the term cyberethics
- Recall and summarize the four phases of the development of cyberethics
- Recall the three distinct perspectives of applied ethics
 - ✦ Discuss how they are applied to cyberethics
- Describe/discuss Brey's "Disclosive" method for cyberethics

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Learning Objectives:

- Explain differences between law and ethics
- Recall the types of law in the U.S.
 - ✦ Define each type
- Explain the differences between statutory, regulatory and common law
- Recall and explain the structure of U.S. Federal Law

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Today's class

- **Introductions**
- **Review Syllabus and Expectations**
- **Resources**
- **Chapter I**

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Packback for Class Discussions

- Packback is "an AI-supported online discussion platform for developing critical thinking, curiosity, and writing skills"
- You will find it under "???" in Canvas
- You will need to register for the Packback service and there is a fee

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- Go to <https://app.packback.co/join/VDC-UKQ-NKY4> (opens in a new tab)
- Sign in or create a Packback account
- Click “Confirm and Check Out” and you will be added to the community

The infographic is divided into three columns with icons: a calendar for 'Weekly Deadline', a document for 'What to Post per deadline period', and a star for 'Other Expectations'. The deadline is Sunday at 11:59 PM CT. Post 1 is a Question, and Post 2 is Responses (choice of Response, Counterpoint, or Supporting point). Other expectations include a minimum Curiosity Score of 70 for Questions and 40 for responses, and partial credit for posts not meeting this requirement.

What Goes Into Your Packback Curiosity Score / 100?

Curiosity

How thoughtful and open-ended your question is.

- Depth
- Original thinking
- Exploration

Credibility

How well you support ideas.

- Quality sources
- Proper citations



Communication

How clearly your post is written.

- Organization
- Formatting
- Media use



Convention

Writing mechanics feedback only.

- Grammar
- Spelling
- Does NOT affect score

Packback Review

- Packback’s AI “flags” posts that may not be meeting standards or may be violating community guidelines
 - ❖ Plagiarism
 - ❖ Class Logistics Posts (e.g. “When is the next assignment?”)
- Low Effort/Low Detail Posts
- Posts are reviewed by moderators
- Offending posts are moderated and no longer count for credit until they are re-published

ITMM 485 role in the curriculum

- Communications-intensive (C-coded) elective
- ACM/IEEE Information Technology Curricula 2017 Supplemental Domain ITS-SRE Social Responsibility
- Legal and ethical components of management for the IT Entrepreneurship and Management specialization in the Bachelor of Information Technology and Management
- Human, organizational, and societal security curricular content for the Bachelor of Science in Applied Cybersecurity and Information Technology

ITMM 585 role in the curriculum

- Law/ethics course in the IT Entrepreneurship and Management specialization in the Master of Information Technology and Management
- Elective course for all ITM graduate degrees
- Human, organizational, and societal security curricular content for the Master of Cyber Forensics and Security

