

### CSCI 300 Essay 2 Grade Rubric

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<b>Summary</b>			
Accuracy	inaccurate statements	most statements are accurate	statements are very accurate
Clarity	very unclear	largely clear, but perhaps incomplete or a little fuzzy	presents a clear and complete summary of the facts
Clarity of Ethical Position Statement	very unclear	largely clear, but perhaps incomplete or a little fuzzy	leaves no doubt about the position taken
Clarity of Legal Position Statement	very unclear	largely clear, but perhaps incomplete or a little fuzzy	leaves no doubt about the position taken
<b>Supporting Arguments</b>			
Ethical Arguments	None presented, or badly misrepresented.	Some arguments presented, but an obvious candidate is missing or poorly presented.	Thorough presentation of supporting arguments
Use of Ethical Concepts to support arguments.	Few or no ethical concepts from frameworks used or used inaccurately.	Some ethical concepts from frameworks used, but some relevant concepts are missing.	All relevant ethical concepts from frameworks used.
Legal Arguments	None presented, or badly misrepresented.	Some arguments presented, but an obvious candidate is missing or poorly presented.	Thorough presentation of supporting arguments
Use of Legal Concepts to support arguments.	Few or no legal (cases, precedence, opinions) concepts used	Some legal concepts (cases, precedence, opinions) used, but some relevant concepts are missing.	All relevant legal concepts (cases, precedence, opinions) used.
<b>Analysis of Counterarguments</b>			
Ethical Counter arguments	Little effort was made to find appropriate ethical counterarguments, or the analysis conducted shows no valid comparison between ethical position and arguments when compared to ethical counterarguments.	Some effort was made to find appropriate ethical counterarguments, or the analysis shows some comparisons were valid; however, some were also invalid when comparing the ethical position and arguments to ethical counterarguments.	Substantial effort was made to find appropriate ethical counterarguments and the analysis conducted shows an excellent use of ethical frameworks and judgement based on the concepts embodied in frameworks.

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