CS 33006

Social & Ethical Issues

Suggested: Due electronically by 9:15am on Monday 23 November 2009 (but no late penalty for submissions received by 9:15am on Monday 30 November)

Grading: Total of 155 points, allocated as 20 points for Social & Ethical Issues and 135 points for writing

Read Appendix Plagiarism in the class textbook, as well as any supplemental material that you like from other sources, including the web.

Write an essay of 5-7 pages, which should:

- 1. Briefly define plagiarism and the general concerns.
- 2. Discuss plagiarism in university classes, including the commonalities with plagiarism in general as well as specific concerns in this setting. Consider Kent State University's policy on "Student Cheating and Plagiarism", as referenced on the course syllabus.
- 3. Discuss plagiarism in scientific papers written by university professors and graduate students, including the commonalities with plagiarism in general as well as specific concerns in this setting. Consider the ACM's "Policy and Procedures on Plagiarism", available online at http://www.acm.org/publications/policies/plagiarism policy

Type your summary into a word processor such as Microsoft Word, Open Office, or Google Docs. Format the essay as you did for previous summaries: use a 12 point font, double-space your text, do not add an extra line between paragraphs, and indent the first line of each paragraph. If you use any supplemental sources, cite your references.

This assignment is due the Monday *after* Thanksgiving, but my suggestion is to work on it over the weekend as usual (or before) and submit it to me the Monday *before* Thanksgiving so that you have the holiday free. However, if your schedule is too busy, you're welcome to send it to me by the Monday after Thanksgiving.

Submit your written summary to me to me electronically in .DOC or .PDF format, with your last name in the filename. Send the file via email to walker@cs.kent.edu with "Homework 8" as the subject of the email.

As before, I will reply to your email to confirm the receipt of your assignment.