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Introduction to Ethics Syllabus			
Course Title	Introduction to Ethics		
Course Code	HUM 1200	No. of Credits	2
Department	All departments	College	All colleges
Pre-requisites Course Code		Co-requisites Course Code	
Course Coordinator(s)	Akam Kamal		
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Learning Hours	Section (1) Sunday	10:00-11:50	# G-15-16
Contact Hours	Thursday	8:00-12:00 AM	# 240
	Tuesday	9:00-12:00 AM	# 240
Course Type	University Requirement		
Offer in Academic Year	Spring 2016		
COURSE DESCRIPTION			
<p>This course aims at introducing the students to various ethical concepts related to the practice of their professions and opens to them a new panorama of virtuous living, This course is try to study the basic truth about the human nature in order to discover the deepest and most common truths about the human person , establishes guiding principles that facilitate life in a community, on the other hand, summarizes the main theories of ethics: Egoism, Altruism, Hedonism, Utilitarianism, Deontology and Existentialism. However, it involves the nature of Ethics in applied areas of life and professional fields, especially with regard to Komar university specialties: Business Ethics, Engineering Ethics and Medical Ethics.</p>			
COURSE OBJECTIVES			
<p>The main purpose of this course is to illustrate one of the three KUST pillars: Ethics, Knowledge and Skills, by introducing students to fundamental moral philosophies and the relationship between theoretical and applied ethics. This Course provides students with what they need in order to understand and question critically about moral meanings in either academic life or workplace.</p>			
COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES			



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After participating in the course, students would be able to:

1. To help student to understand basic principles of Ethics.
2. Identify the key concepts of ethics in either theoretical or applied domains.
3. Outline the historical development of ethics and main schools for moral philosophy.
4. Recognize some practical knowledge about self and about different ethical issue.
5. Describe the relationship between ethical behaviors and ethical codes in professional fields.
6. Implement ethical values in practical activities with regard to voluntarism and community services.

GUIDELINES ON GRADING POLICY

Points	Percentage Scores	Grade
A	95-100	4.0
A-	90-94	3.7
B+	87-89	3.3
B	83-86	3.0
B-	80-82	2.7
C+	75-79	2.3
C	70-74	2.0
C-	65-69	1.7
D+	60-64	1.3
D	55-59	1.0
D-	50-54	0.7

Note: Passing Grade is 60% & Above

COURSE CONTENT

Course topics include:

Chapter 1: An Introduction

Chapter 2: The historical development of Ethics

Chapter 3: Ethics Theories

Chapter 4: Ethics & Related Domains

Chapter 5: Applied Ethics

Week 6: Professional Ethics: Business

Week 7: Professional Ethics: Medicine

Week 8: Professional Ethics: Engineering



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COURSE TEACHING AND LEARNING ACTIVITIES

Course Teaching and Learning Activities:

1. Lectures
2. Class discussion
3. In class brainstorming sessions
4. Reading articles and recalling related ideas
5. Seminars Attendance, watching and participating in debates

COURSE ASSESSMENT Tools

Assessment Tool	Description	Weight
Community Service	Each student is required to participate in a practical activity under the supervision of community service	10%
Homework (2)	To practice two exercises or projects orally or in written with regard to two given topics	(2 x 5) 10%
Quizzes (4)	(1&2) Covers theoretical ethics (3&4) Covers applied & professional ethics	(4x 5) 20%
Class Participation	To practice in class brainstorming sessions, recall previous topics and prepare for the next	5%
Midterm Exam	Covers weeks (1-7)	20%
Final Exam	Covers all weeks	35%
Total		100%

ESSENTIAL READINGS:

Textbook & References:

- Lee Archie & John G. Archie. Introduction to Ethical Studies (An Open Source Reader).
<http://philosophy.lander.edu/ethics/ethicsbook.pdf>
- Kevin Gibson, Business Ethics People: profit and place, McGraw – Hill Higer Education 2006.
- John Hooker, Why Business Ethics, Carnegie Mellon University, April 2003.
- Lee Archie and John G. Archie, Introduction to Ethical Studies, canto 2010

COURSE POLICY

Refer to Student Handbook & Attendance policy:

<http://sar.komar.edu.iq/files/Student%20hand%20Book%202013.pdf>

- Academic honesty
- Attendance
- Close book at exams



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GUIDELINES FOR SUCCESS

- Lectures reviewing two hours a week.
- Paying attention in the classroom for better understanding and asking about complicated topics
- Commitment and implementation of duties (assessment tools).
- Punctuality regarding class attendance and other duties.

Course Calendar:

Week	Date	Chapter / topic	Assessment Tools & CLO
1	28 –Feb 2016	An Introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Course Syllabus - Why should we study Ethics? - Ethics & Philosophy 	1
2		Reasons & Values <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reason - value Right & Wrong <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wrongness - Contractualism - Responsibilities - Promise - Relativism 	C.P 1
3		The historical development of Ethics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ancient Age Ethics - Mediaeval Age Ethics - Modern Ethics Theories 	C.P 3
4		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Theories of Ethics (Ethics schools) Egoism & Altruism Hedonism & Utilitarianism	Quiz (1) 2,3
5		Deontology & Existentialism “Act in Accordance with Universal Law” by Immanuel Kant	C.P 2,3
6		Ethics & Related Domains <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ethics & Religion - Ethics & Law - Ethics & Etiquette - Ethics & Moral Philosophy 	C.P 4
7		Applied Ethics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Definition - Applied Ethics vs. Theoretical Ethics - Types of Applied Ethics 	Quiz (2) 2,5
Midterm Exam			



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8		Professional Ethics: Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Business Ethics ○ Levels of Business Ethics ○ Ethics and Stakeholders ○ Ethics in the workplace ○ Organizational culture and social responsibility ○ Diversity in the workplace 	C.P 5
9		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Management Ethics ○ Decision Making Ethics ○ Ethics in administration role <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Planning - Organization - Leading - Controlling 	C.P 5
10		Professional Ethics: Medicine <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Health Ethics ○ Health and safety 	Quiz (3) 5
11		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The principle of Medical Ethics ○ Medical Manufacturing Ethics 	C.P 5
12		Professional Ethics: Engineering <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Engineering Ethics ○ Ethics Engineering in work place 	C.P 5
13		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Engineering Code Ethics ○ Code apply for science ○ Engineering Ethics in Global Economy 	Quiz (4) 5
14		Overview of Business, Medicine and Engineering Ethics	(1,2,3,4,5)
15		Revision for All chapters	1,2,3,4,5
16		Final Exam	