

CS 463, FALL 2003

Writing Assignment 3

***Due Date: Writing Assignment #2 is due by 7:00 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 13.
Submit by email to dabrum@csupomona.edu or in hard-copy form to 98/T7-17.***

Build on our class discussion on ethical and social issues associated with the Internet by selecting an article on this topic. I suggest you choose an article from a refereed journal. You may choose an article from the popular press instead; if you do, you will need to be more critical of the article since it has not been subjected to prior critical review.

Questions:

1. Put your name and the full citation for your article at the top of the first page of your paper.
2. Briefly summarize the article.
3. What does the author want us to know or to believe about this topic?
4. Does the author want us, or others, to do anything about this topic?
5. What arguments or examples does the author use to support his/her point of view?
6. Does the author make any hidden assumptions? Explain.
7. What is your view on this subject?
 - a. Do you believe that the author discusses legitimate ethical or social issues? Explain.
 - b. Was your view influenced by the article? If so, explain.
 - c. Do you have any previous experience with this topic that influences your view?

Answer each question with an essay consisting of complete sentences. For questions 2, 3, 6, and 7 you should write at least two paragraphs. Do not quote from the article. Rephrase ideas from the article in your own words. Your paper should be at least 2 pages in length (at least 3 suggested) and no more than 6 pages in length (single-spaced, margins no greater than 1 inch).

Your paper will be graded for grammar and spelling (30%), thoroughness (40%), and insight (30%).

Late papers will not be accepted.