

Ethics for Professionals

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Abstract

The purpose of this paper is to impart knowledge and awareness of Value of Ethics.

Paper includes several sections i.e. it depicts a general and technical idea of what actually Ethics means? Ethical behavior means that you are living, working or playing in an ethical way by the set of standards that are generally considered to be right or good.

The second half of the paper presents the clear view on the Suggestions for professional i.e. how an ethical behavior can help the business man and the customer as well in the present business environment.

Paper also includes principles of business ethics it says all professional and private record should be protected, secured and maintained the confidential information should be only used for the actual business responsibilities. If any information is disclosed it needs to be authorized by the individuals. Students are expected to adhere to and practice the Code of Ethics like: representation, academic honesty, respect for district rules and regulations, respect for the open exchange of ideas

Introduction:

Profession is a significant domain of production and production related activities. it is an interaction of human being as well as the living and non-living entities of rest of nature. Ethical conduct of profession is the right utilization of one's professional skills towards the fulfillment of human goal. The issues of unethical conduct of profession are presently becoming a matter of widespread concern.

It becomes crucial to ensure the ethical utilization of the professional capabilities such competence can only be acquired through right understanding and the orientation to live with ethical human conduct.

Current Scenario in professional ethics

The unethical practices are rapidly increasing and their impact is also becoming far reaching. A good number of people have started nurturing the feeling that with money,

everything can be obtained, any person can be purchased and any system can be bent to one's advantage. Apses on the part of big organization in ethical conduct of profession have led to large scale disaster. Such as Bhopal gas tragedy, the Chernobyl disaster endangring public life and property and causing serious degradation to environment.

List of Some Silent Categories of unethical practices

- Misleading advertisements
- Cut Throat Competition
- Adulteration
- Endangering the health and safety of public at ;large
- Misleaded hoarding
- Misuse of public funds
- Corruption in multiple forms and at various levels

What is Ethics?

I do no believe in immortality of the individual and I consider ethics to be an exclusively human concern with no superhuman authority behind it”.

Ethics is asset of principal concerning proper conduct .Ethical behavior means that you are living, working or playing in an ethical way by the set of standards that are generally considered to be right or good.

Because we each have our own moral code, laws are based on ethics, while others are not. Not all ethical behavior however, has become law.

E.g. cheating when you are playing a game with friends or family members are not against the law but it is still unethical behaviour.and cheating on your taxes is against the law and is unethical.

Most of us develop our own moral code our sense of right and wrong-when we are growing up. We often base our morals on what we see around us for e.g. a child may very well grow up to tell lies as well. But as they grow will know about telling a lie is wrong.

Often despite what you were raised with, you can redevelop your moral code and practice ethical behavior as a grown up. This is first done by establishing what ethical b behavior- or unethical behavior is exactly in the world you live or work in. As a general rule lying, cheating stealing or otherwise harming ant other individual is considered to be bad ethical behavior. But there are other actions that constitute unethical behavior as well

For ex. you don't tell a lie, but you don't tell the whole truth-leaving certain parts out, this is unethical behavior.

Behavior as soon as we are old enough to take note of our surroundings as small children, but this doesn't mean that we are stuck with those values. Many people have near perfect ethical behavior taught to them but fail to use those ethics after they reach adulthood, or in some of their life or business dealing so, you must ask yourself if you are practicing ethical behavior each and everyday. If you are not correct the problems and try to do better in the future.

“Professional ethics concern the moral issues that arise because of the specialist knowledge that professional attain and how the use of this knowledge should be governed when providing a reserve to the public”

Suggestions for Professionals

- Return value to your customer (Internal and External) in all business decisions.
- Return value to your community locally and globally
- Deliver quality in timely fashion
- Be honest in you work be telling the client, customer or boss that the task or project you are working on will not meet the target date.
- Ask for help in order to meet project or task deadline, A professional will not feel slighted if he or she acknowledge that he or she need help
- When you accept an assignment, start using words like we, us and ours. A professional never works at cross –purpose with the employer
- If the employer wants respect from employees, he/she should treat all employees as professionals in their own right. Remember if you treat someone as a professional, they will treat you like one too.
- Promote your profession i.e. Information Technology.
- Do things for the good of your self, the customer and the profession. you are not a true professional if you don't deliver out comes that satisfy all three of these areas
- Provide respect to others, this means truly thinking of their belief and desires and the contribution they make to the organization, however small.

Principles of Business Ethics

You need to have moral standards and ethics in your business of practice. The ethics should describe what the organization's pledge is towards safety including a healthy workplace, which is free of discrimination and harassment. the environment of the workplace should be fair, diverse, a drug and alcohol free and should have a balance between the responsibilities of both work and family. There also should be private and confidential records between the client and the employee. All professional and private record should be protected, secured and maintained the confidential information should be only used for the actual business responsibilities. If any information is disclosed it needs to be authorized by the individuals

All information that is public should be appropriate accurate, and perfect. The management needs to be responsible for making the ethical decisions. All relationship with the vendor should be performed justify and fairly

Ethics for Students of Professional Education

As the excesses of the past and the downfall of major institutions recede from memory, we should not lose sight of an important question that these events raised — what is the role of professional education programmes in promoting ethical behavior? Though the financial crisis put the spotlight on management education, reports of doctors being involved in organ transplant rackets, accountants being party to major corporate frauds, or careless engineers being responsible for accidents at construction sites suggest that this question is equally relevant to other professional disciplines.

Education, particularly at elite schools, gives graduates considerable power and influence at an early age. These graduates ascend to senior management and even CEO positions by the age of 40, and influence major decisions taken by corporations. These developments imply that the importance of a strong moral compass cannot be over-emphasized.

Student code of ethic

Students are expected to adhere to and practice the Code of Ethics on a District and college level and while representing the District or college of the District.

I. Representation

Every student of the District is expected to represent him or herself honestly and respectfully in all situations, whether orally or in written statements. Honest and respectful representation includes, but is not limited to, providing only truthful material information on all District applications, financial aid forms, waivers, and any other official document. Students are also expected to behave respectfully to all administrators, faculty, staff, students, and visitors in a District or college environment and to behave respectfully when representing the District or any of the colleges at off-campus events. Students will not consciously misrepresent him or herself to any member of the District or college community or to any other person while representing the District or any college.

II. Academic Honesty

Students are expected to maintain the highest standards of academic integrity. Work that is not of the student's own creation will receive no credit. If a student is uncertain of what these standards are, he or she may consult his or her instructor for appropriate counsel, but a student's ignorance is no legitimate defense for academic dishonesty. Academic dishonesty includes lying, cheating, stealing, and using unauthorized materials on any assignment, quiz or exam.

- The act of lying is to intentionally provide false information or a false statement with the purpose of misleading or with irresponsible regard of the truth. Lying, in both academic and non-academic activities, is impermissible.
- Cheating is acting dishonestly in order to gain an unfair advantage. Cheating includes giving or receiving unauthorized aid on any assignment, quiz, or exam. Instructors must be consulted regarding which materials are acceptable for students to use on any assignment, quiz, or exam. Not complying with the restrictions of the instructor will result in appropriate discipline, as decided by the instructor or department. Cheating also includes using the same material of work previously used for another course unless the student has permission from the instructor to do so. Cheating furthermore includes plagiarism, which is when a student uses the ideas of another and declares it as his or her own. Students are required to properly cite the original source of the ideas and information used in his or her work.
- Stealing is the act of taking without permission and without intention to return. The prohibition of stealing includes property of any nature as well as academic work.

III. Respect for District Rules and Regulations

Students of the District are expected to adhere to the rules and regulations set by the District.

- School Property: Graffiti and defacement of school property is unacceptable and a violation of District Rule and Regulation. Students shall be responsible for the costs of the damages resultant from their behavior. In order to ensure that the District and campus facilities remain in pristine condition, students are also expected to report instances of graffiti or defacement of school property immediately as well as consciously account for or dispose properly of their belongings.
- Illegal Substances: The use of illegal drugs and alcohol is not permitted on District or college property as well as the abuse or misuse of prescription drugs.
- Sexual Assault and Harassment: Students shall refrain from using language or acting in a manner that is disrespectful or inappropriate towards other students and members of the District/college community. Sexual assault and harassment is inexcusable and shall result in disciplinary action in accordance with District or college policy.

IV. Respect for the Open Exchange of Ideas

Students shall be guaranteed that their First Amendment right of Freedom of Speech will be observed by all District and college members, including other students. Students are encouraged to engage others in thoughtful and meaningful dialogue while refraining from acting or using language with malicious intent.

Classroom Conduct: Students must behave respectfully toward their peers and professors. In the classroom setting, students may not interrupt their classmates or professor, make fun of them or their expressed views, or disrupt the learning environment. It is important to maintain the best learning environment for all students and professors.

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