

Course information:

| <i>Copy and paste</i> College/Scho | | | m <u>Class Search/Cour</u> inary Arts and Scien | - | School of Humanities, Arts & Cultural Studies |
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| Prefix IA | S Number | 294 | Title | Games and Ethics | Units: 3 |
| Is this a cross | s-listed course? | No | If yes, please i | dentify course(s) | |
| - Is this a shared course? | | No | If so, list all ac | ademic units offering | g this course |

Note- For courses that are crosslisted and/or shared, a letter of support from the chair/director of **each** department that offers the course is required for **each** designation requested. By submitting this letter of support, the chair/director agrees to ensure that all faculty teaching the course are aware of the General Studies designation(s) and will teach the course in a manner that meets the criteria for each approved designation.

Is this a permanent numbered No course with topics?

If yes, all topics under this permanent numbered course must be taught in a manner that Chair/Director Initials meets the criteria for the approved designation(s). It is the responsibility of the

chair/director to ensure that all faculty teaching the course are aware of the General Studies designation(s) and adhere to the above guidelines.

n/a (Required)

Course description:

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Requested designation: Global Awareness-G

Note- a separate proposal is required for each designation requested

Eligibility:

Permanent numbered courses must have completed the university's review and approval process. For the rules governing approval of omnibus courses, contact <u>Phyllis.Lucie@asu.edu</u> or <u>Lauren.Leo@asu.edu</u>.

Submission deadlines dates are as follow:

For Fall 2016 Effective Date: October 1, 2015

Area(s) proposed course will serve:

A single course may be proposed for more than one core or awareness area. A course may satisfy a core area requirement and more than one awareness area requirements concurrently, but may not satisfy requirements in two core areas simultaneously, even if approved for those areas. With departmental consent, an approved General Studies course may be counted toward both the General Studies requirement and the major program of study.

Checklists for general studies designations:

Complete and attach the appropriate checklist

- Literacy and Critical Inquiry core courses (L)
- Mathematics core courses (MA)
- Computer/statistics/quantitative applications core courses (CS)
- Humanities, Arts and Design core courses (HU)
- Social-Behavioral Sciences core courses (SB)
- Natural Sciences core courses (SQ/SG)
- Cultural Diversity in the United States courses (C)
- Global Awareness courses (G)
- Historical Awareness courses (H)

A complete proposal should include:

- \boxtimes Signed course proposal cover form
- \boxtimes Criteria checklist for General Studies designation(s) being requested
- \square Course catalog description
- \boxtimes Sample syllabus for the course
- \boxtimes Copy of table of contents from the textbook and list of required readings/books

It is respectfully requested that proposals are submitted electronically with all files compiled into one PDF. **Contact information:**

Theresa Devine E-mail theresa.devine@as Phone 602-543-2814 Name

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For Spring 2017 Effective Date: March 10, 2016



Department Chair/Director approval: (Required)

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Chair/Director name (Typed): Louis G. Mendoza

Date: 10/1/15

Chair/Director (Signature):

Arizona State University Criteria Checklist for

GLOBAL AWARENESS [G]

Rationale and Objectives

Human organizations and relationships have evolved from being family and village centered to modern global interdependence. The greatest challenge in the nuclear age is developing and maintaining a global perspective which fosters international cooperation. While the modern world is comprised of politically independent states, people must transcend nationalism and recognize the significant interdependence among peoples of the world. The exposure of students to different cultural systems provides the background of thought necessary to developing a global perspective.

Cultural learning is present in many disciplines. Exposure to perspectives on art, business, engineering, music, and the natural and social sciences that lead to an understanding of the contemporary world supports the view that intercultural interaction has become a daily necessity. The complexity of American society forces people to balance regional and national goals with global concerns. Many of the most serious problems are world issues and require solutions which exhibit mutuality and reciprocity. No longer are hunger, ecology, health care delivery, language planning, information exchanges, economic and social developments, law, technology transfer, philosophy, and the arts solely national concerns; they affect all the people of the world. Survival may be dependent on the ability to generate global solutions to some of the most pressing problems.

The word university, from universitas, implies that knowledge comes from many sources and is not restricted to local, regional, or national perspectives. The Global Awareness Area recognizes the need for an understanding of the values, elements, and social processes of cultures other than the culture of the United States. Learning which recognizes the nature of others cultures and the relationship of America's cultural system to generic human goals and welfare will help create the multicultural and global perspective necessary for effective interaction in the human community.

Courses which meet the requirement in global awareness are of one or more of the following types: (1) indepth area studies which are concerned with an examination of culture-specific elements of a region of the world, country, or culture group, (2) the study of contemporary non-English language courses that have a significant cultural component, (3) comparative cultural studies with an emphasis on non-U.S. areas, and (4) in-depth studies of non-U.S. centered cultural interrelationships of global scope such as the global interdependence produced by problems of world ecology, multinational corporations, migration, and the threat of nuclear war.

Reviewed 4/2014

| | ASU[G] CRITERIA | | | | |
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| | GLOBAL AWARENESS [G] | | | | |
| YES | NO | | Identify Documentation Submitted | | |
| \square | | 1. Studies must be composed of subject matter that addresses or leads to an understanding of the contemporary world outside the U.S. | Syllabus and Course Assignments | | |
| | | 2. The course must match at least one of the following descriptions: (check all which may apply): | | | |
| \square | | a. In-depth area studies which are concerned with an examination of culture-specific elements of a region, country or culture group. The area or culture studied must be non-U.S. and the study must contribute to an understanding of the contemporary world. | Syllabus - Course description and objectives 4-6 Pages 1 & 2 Course Assignments 1 - 6 | | |
| | | b. The course is a language course for a contemporary non-English language, and has a significant cultural component. | | | |
| \square | | c. The course is a comparative cultural study in which most, i.e., more than half, of the material is devoted to non-U.S. areas. | Syllabus - Course description and objectives 4-6 Pages 1 & 2 Course Assignments 1 - 6 | | |
| | | d. The course is a study of the cultural significance of a non-U.Scentered global issue. The course examines the role of its target issue within each culture and the interrelatedness of various global cultures on that issue. It looks at the cultural significance of its issue in various cultures outside the U.S., both examining the issue's place within each culture and the effects of that issue on world cultures." | | | |

Proposer: Please complete the following section and attach appropriate documentation.

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| Course Prefix | Number | Title | Designation |
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| IAP | 294 | Games and Ethics | Global Awareness (G) |

Explain in detail which student activities correspond to the specific designation criteria. Please use the following organizer to explain how the criteria are being met.

| Criteria (from checksheet) | How course meets spirit (contextualize specific examples in next column) | Please provide detailed evidence of how course meets criteria (i.e., where in syllabus) |
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| SAMPLE: | SAMPLE: | SAMPLE: |
| 2d: study the cultural | The course examines the | Module 2 shows how Japanese literature |
| significance of a non-U.S. | cultural significance of | has shaped how Japanese people |
| centered global issue | financial markets Japan, Korea, | understand world markets. Module 3 |
| | and the UK. | shows how Japanese popular culture has |
| | | been changed by the world financial market system. Modules 4 & 5 do the |
| | | same for Korea and modules 6 & 7 do the |
| | | same for the UK. |
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| composed of matter that | Indian video game Unrest to | See Course Assignments : |
| contributes to the | uderstand gender and class in | Assignment 1, Phase 4 shows how the |
| understanding of the non US | India | issues of gender and class have informed |
| contemporary world. | Assignment 2, Phase 3 uses | contemporary video game development in India |
| | South Afrian game Mandela 27 | munu |
| | to understand the struggle for | Assignment 2, Phase 3 shows how Nelson |
| | freedom in South Africa | Mandela and the abolishment of apartheid |
| | | is being taught and preserved through |
| | Assignment 3, Phase 1 uses the | games in contemporary South Africa. |
| | War On Terror, The Board Game to understand the global | Assignment 3, Phase 1 discusses and |
| | issue of terrorism. | shows the students the mulitfaceted |
| | | global problem of terrorism. |
| | Assignment 4, Phase 4&5 uses | |
| | journalism on the war in Syria, | Assignment 4, Phase 4&5 elucidates the |
| | he book The Arab Spring, and | origin and persistence of the |
| | the video game Endgame: Syria to create a greater | contemporary war in Syria. |
| | understanding of contemporary | Assignment 5, Phase 2 shows the students |
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| devoted to non-US sources | Auto III | Assignment 3 |
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| | Elian Gonzalez | The juxtapositions found in these |
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| Assignment 5 pairs the 1989: Tiananmen Square protests with the immigration game Papers, Please and immigration issues in Arizona. | |
| Assignment 6, pairs German video game Spec Ops: The Line with the American video game Braid and WWII | |
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IAP 294 - Games and Ethics



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GAMES AND ETHICS

IAP 294 - section # Day and Time: Mon/Wed Location: CLCC 108

Office Phone: 602-543-2814 Office Hours: Mon, 5:00pm-6:30pm or by appointment Game Lab Hours: Mon, 1:30-4:30pm, Wed, 1:30-3:00pm

Class portal (blackboard): https://myasucourses.asu.edu

Instructor's Websites: http://www.theresadevine.com/, http://studio4gaminginnovation.com

Course Description:

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General Studies: G & C

Course Mode: Students engage in self directed learning that is enhanced by course assignments and classroom activities. Each student will be expected to self-direct their quest based learning supported in a virtual and physical environment set up to encourage active and critical learning.

Course Objectives

1. Describe and define ethical gameplay and explain why it is an appropriate consideration in design of entertainment games which involve moral game mechanics.

2. Compare and contrast ethical game design and the cultural and aesthetic impact on gameplay.

3. Describe, define, and differentiate teleological, deontological, and virtue ethics.

4. Define video game ethics and aesthetics (the total player experience) and apply them in the analysis of at least one contemporary game from outside of the United States.

5. Describe video games as sites for both the production and consumption of culture outside of the United States. Describe and conduct a comparative cultural study using the visual arts to elucidate the ways in which video games interface with popular culture, other cultural traditions, and artistic forms of expression.

6. Study the cultural significance of global issues in entertainment games and analyze the impact of video games on globalization.

7. Understand ethical and cultural diversity by comparing and contrasting through linear and non-linear forms of media and narrative and/or in games in the United States.

8. Conduct an in-depth ethical and culture specific study and describe the history, evolution, and potential of games in the United States over the past 30 years.

9. Describe and explore models to study entertainment games in the United States and the ethical, social, political, economic, or psychological dimensions of relations between minority groups by various disciplinary fields of inquiry. Analyze a game ethically, using a multi- and/or interdisciplinary approach that examines the game's larger cultural meaning.

10. Explain arguments as to the impact (if any) of video games on behavior and morality. Analyze how video games may shape and/or reflect the prevailing ethical attitudes, perceptions, and behavior of their consumers in the United States.

11. Analyze the role of video games in the treatment and construction of ethical identity, ethnicity, and gender in the United States.

Course Work Evaluation: Students are given 6 assignments. (See the charts below.) There is no midterm or final. Students are expected to turn in at least one (1) assignment every two (2) weeks. If a student does not turn in any assignment for any two (2) week period, a zero (0) will be assigned as a grade for one of the assignments.

<u>Attendance Policy</u>: Since each this is an internet-hybrid course your attendance (and participation) is mandatory on the days that the class meets. Your participation and attendance is worth 250 points. You are expected to be here for the entire class period on those days unless an ASU recognized religious holiday, documented emergency, or illness prevents you from coming. Email me a doctor's note or proof of your need to attend a religious holiday to avoid affecting your grade.

a. excused absences related to religious observances/practices that are in accord with <u>ACD 304–04</u>, "Accommodation for Religious Practices"

b. excused absences related to university sanctioned events/activities that are in accord with <u>ACD 304–02</u>, "Missed Classes Due to University-Sanctioned Activities"

| Assignment Title | Points | Course Objectives |
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| Assignment 1: (Chapters 1 and 7) What is ethical gameplay design? | 125 points | 1,2,3, [C] 9,11, [G] 4,5 |
| Assignment 2: (Chapter 2) Defining Ethical Gameplay | 125 points | 1,2,3 [C] 7,9,10, [G] 4,5 |
| Assignment 3: (Chapter 3) Being a Game | 125 points | 2 [C] 11 [G] 4,5 |
| Assignment 4: (Chapter 4) The Player, the Player | 125 points | 1,2,3 [C] 9, 10, [G] 4,6 |
| Assignment 5: (Chapter 5) Design of Ethical Gameplay | 125 points | 1, 3, [C] 8, 9,11, [G] 5,6 |
| Assignment 6: (Chapter 6) Into Play | 125 points | 1, 2,3 [C] 8, 9,10, 11, [G] 4, 5,6 |

Breakdown - Please note that grades are assigned as follows:

TOTAL POINTS POSSIBLE = 1000 points

Health Points (HP) will be worth 250. (This is attendance and participation) Experience Points (EXP) will be worth as indicated by project Minimum Points required to get an A = 900 points.

| Level | Health points (HP) | Experience points (EXP) | Total Points | Letter Grade |
|-------------|--|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Level 10 | 250 | 750 | 1000 | A+ |
| Level 9 | 250 | 650 | 900 | А |
| Level 8 | 167(missed one class) | 633 | 800 | В |
| Level 7 | Any combination of H | IP and EXP that add up to | 700 | С |
| Level 6 | the total points for the Letter grade that | | 600 | D |
| Level 5 | corresponds. | | 500 | F |
| Level 4 | | | 400 | F |
| Level 3 | | | 300 | F |
| Level 2 | | | 200 | F |
| Level 1 | | | 100 | F |
| Level 0 | | | 0 | F |

The instructor is the final arbiter of all grades for the class.

Course Readings: Required Text

Beyond Choices: The design of ethical gameplay

by Miguel Sicart Hardcover: 192 pages Publisher: The MIT Press (September 6, 2013) Language: English ISBN-10: 0262019787 ISBN-13: 978-0262019781

Nicomachean Ethics - Required Text (free)

by Aristotle Written 350 B.C.E Translated by W. D. Ross http://classics.mit.edu/Aristotle/nicomachaen.html

Groundwork for the metaphysics of morals (J. Bennett, Ed.) - Required Text (free)

by I. E. Kant 1785 http://www.earlymoderntexts.com/pdf/kantgrou.pdf

Utilitarianism - Required Text (free)

by J. S. Mill 1861 http://www.utilitarianism.com/jsmill.htm

The Fundamentals of Ethics, 2nd Edition Recommended Text Shafer-Landau, Russ

Ethics: A Very Short Introduction Recommended Text

Blackburn, Simon

All additional readings and/or I provide to enhance the learning process.

Disability Accommodations: The University is committed to providing quality education to all students regardless of ability. Determining appropriate disability accommodations is a collaborative process. You as a student must register with Disability Services and provide documentation of your disability. The course instructor must provide information regarding a course's content, methods, and essential components. The combination of this information will be used by Disability Resource Center to determine appropriate accommodations for a particular student in a particular course.

For more information, please reference the Disability Resource Center: <u>http://ds.umn.edu/students/Enrolled/responsibilities.html</u>. <u>https://eoss.asu.edu/drc</u> Please look over disability etiquette guidelines: <u>http://www.moderndisability.com/business/GenEtiquette.biz.html</u> <u>http://www.moderndisability.com/business/HelpingEtt.biz.html</u>

<u>'Withdrawals:</u> The instructor will NOT withdraw students for any reason. Specifically, students should be aware that non-attendance will NOT automatically result in their being dropped from the course. Therefore, if a student does not attend class during the first week or for any extended period of time during the semester, they should not presume that they are no longer

registered. <u>It is the student's responsibility to be aware of their registration status</u>. For additional information about ASU's withdrawal policy and the possible consequences of withdrawing from a class, contact Registration Services or your academic counselor.

The Grade of Incomplete: A grade of incomplete should not be awarded only in the event that a documented emergency or illness prevents a student who is doing acceptable work from completing a small percentage of the course requirements at the end of the semester. The guidelines in the current general ASU catalog regarding a grade of incomplete will be strictly followed. A grade of incomplete will NOT be awarded unless there is <u>documented</u> evidence of **extreme** personal or immediate family hardship.

Use of Personal Electronic Devices in the Classroom:

Using personal electronic devices in the classroom setting can hinder instruction and learning, not only for the student using the device but also for other students in the class. To this end, the University establishes the right of each faculty member to determine if and how personal electronic devices are allowed to be used in the classroom. For complete information, please reference: http://www.asu.edu/aad/manuals/acd/acd125.html#Requirements

Theresa Devine's policy - don't use them in class. If you have kids, leave them on just in case of an emergency but I expect that we will be really busy and this distraction would affect the classroom experience negatively.

Academic Integrity and Code of Conduct: http://provost.asu.edu/academicintegrity.

This course follows the ASU Academic Integrity Policy in the administration of all course examinations and assignments. Violations of the University Academic Integrity policy will not be ignored. Penalties include reduced or no credit for submitted work, a failing grade in the class, a note on your official transcript that shows you were punished for cheating, suspension, expulsion and revocation of already awarded degrees. The university requires that the implementation of any of these penalties for violations of the academic integrity policy be reported to the Dean's office. The Integrity Policy defines the process to be used if the student wishes to appeal this action.

Students are expected to follow the ASU Student Code of Conduct

(<u>http://students.asu.edu/srr/code</u>) especially when communicating with your peers, instructors, and teaching assistants. Violations of the student code of conduct may result in withdrawal from the class.

Policy against Threatening Behavior:

In the classroom and out students are required to conduct themselves in a manner that promotes an environment that is safe and conducive to learning and conducting other university-related business. All incidents and allegations of violent or threatening conduct by an ASU student will be reported to the ASU Police Department (ASU PD) and the Office of the Dean of Students. Such incidents will be dealt with in accordance with the policies and procedures described in Section 104-02 of the Student Services Manual (<u>http://www.asu.edu/aad/manuals/ssm/ssm104-02.html</u>).

<u>Final Exam Make-up Policy</u>: The final exam schedule listed in the Schedule of Classes will be strictly followed. Exceptions to the schedule and requests for make-up examinations can be granted for one of the following reasons:

- 1) religious observances
- 2) the student has more than three exams scheduled on the same day
- 3) two finals are scheduled to occur at the same time

Make-up exams will **NOT** be given for reasons of non refundable airline tickets, vacation plans, work schedules, weddings, family reunions, or other such activities. Students should consult the final exam schedule before making end-of-semester travel plans. If there is a last-minute personal or medical emergency, the student may receive a grade of Incomplete and makeup the final within one calendar month. The student must provide written documentation and be passing the class at the time to receive an Incomplete. A signed "Request for Grade of Incomplete" must be submitted by the student and approved by the student's instructor and the Director of the School of Mathematical and Natural Sciences.

Potentially Offensive Content:

If you find any of the content of his class offensive, please bring your concerns to the instructor immediately.

Course/Instructor Evaluation

The course/instructor evaluation for this course will be conducted online 7-10 days before the last official day of classes of each semester or summer session. Your response(s) to the course/instructor are anonymous and will not be returned to your instructor until after grades have been submitted. The use of a course/instructor evaluation is an important process that allows our college to (1) help faculty improve their instruction, (2) help administrators evaluate instructional quality, (3) ensure high standards of teaching, and (4) ultimately improve instruction and student learning over time. Completion of the evaluation is not required for you to pass this class and will not affect your grade, but your cooperation and participation in this process is critical. About two weeks before the class finishes, watch for an e-mail with **"NCIAS Course/Instructor Evaluation"** in the subject heading. The email will be sent to your official ASU e-mail address.

IAP 294 - Games and Ethics

| | Resources | Assignment Descriptions | <i>Course Objectives fulfilled (from the syllabus)</i> |
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| Assignment 1: What is ethical gameplay design? | Beyond Choices: The design of ethical gameplay by Miguel Sicart Chapters 1 & 7 The Backwards Brain Bicycle https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MF zDaBzBIL0 It's My Opinion! http://www.qcc.cuny.edu/SocialScience s/ppecorino/ETHICS_TEXT/Chapter_1_I ntroduction/Its_my_Opinion.htm | <i>Sicart</i> textbook according to the study guide. Think about these questions as you read. Can games aspire to have a cultural and aesthetic impact? What are the ethical questions that face game and toy makers today? <i>Phase 2:</i> Watch <i>The Backwards Brain Bicycle</i> and read <i>It's My Opinion!</i> As a designer of ethical games you will be intervening and toying with the player's | 1. Describe and define ethical gameplay and explain why it is an appropriate consideration in design of entertainment games which involve moral game mechanics. |
| | Grand Theft Auto III Rockstar Games 2001 Playing a "Good" Game: A Philosophical Approach to Understanding the Morality of Games 2002 Ren Reynolds *Nicomachean Ethics by Aristotle Written 350 B.C.E Translated by W. D. Ross | Phase 3 [C]: Play enough of <i>GTA 3</i> to get n understanding of the game and read <i>Playing a "Good" Game: A</i> <i>Philosophical Approach to</i> <i>Understanding the Morality of Games.</i> In this article the author evaluates <i>GTA 3</i> using teleological, deontological, and virtue ethical theories. Examine his findings and compare them to the original theories <u>using the study guides</u> <u>for each of the original writings</u> .* Does Ren Reynolds' interpretation stand up to | Compare and contrast ethical game design and the cultural and aesthetic impact on gameplay. Describe, define, and differentiate teleological, deontological, and virtue ethics. Describe and explore models to study entertainment games in the United States and the ethical, social, political, economic, or |

| http://classics.mit.edu/Aristotle/nicoma chaen.html book 1, ch. 7; 2.1-6;6.1; 6.12-13; 10.7-8 *Groundwork for the metaphysics of morals (J. Bennett, Ed.) | your examination? Write a response paper discussing your findings. | psychological dimensions of relations between minority groups by various disciplinary fields of inquiry. Analyze a video game ethically, using a multi- and/or interdisciplinary approach that |
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| by I. E. Kant 1785 http://www.earlymoderntexts.com/pdf/ kantgrou.pdf | | examines the game's larger cultural meaning. [C] 11. Analyze the role of video games in the treatment and |
| <i>*Utilitarianism</i> by J. S. Mill 1861 http://www.utilitarianism.com/jsmill.ht m | | construction of ethical identity, ethnicity, and gender in the United States |
| Unrest (India) - Video Game Description: an adventure RPG that adapts to death, failure, and the choices you make. Play as ordinary people struggling for food, safety, freedom, and a chance at peace. To begin the game you play Tanya, a girl born into peasantry in ancient India where your standing in life is determined by the family you're born into. http://pyrodactyl.com/ | Phase 4 [G]: Play <i>Unrest</i> and choose one of the three ethical approaches (Aristotle, Kant or Mill) that you explored in Phase 3. Analyze this game according to the theory that you choose. Write a 2,500 word paper of your analysis using APA 6th edition format to communicate your ideas. | 4. Define video game ethics and aesthetics (the total player experience) and apply them in the analysis of at least one contemporary video game from outside of the United States. 5. Describe video games as sites for both the production and consumption of culture outside of the United States. |
| <i>APA Format</i> https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resourc e/560/01/ | | conduct a comparative cultural study using the visual arts to elucidate the ways in which video |

| Assignment 2: Defining Ethical Gameplay | Beyond Choices: The design of ethical gameplay by Miguel Sicart Chapter 2Pippin Barr's The Trolley Problem http://www.pippinbarr.com/games/troll eyproblem/TrolleyProblem.html*Nicomachean Ethics Written 350 B.C.E | Phase 1: Read Chapter 2 in the Sicart textbook according to the study guide and play <i>The Trolley Problem</i> . Think about these questions while you are playing this game: why is it so simple? Can it be won? What winning condition would you like it to have? How did you feel when you finished the game? Is there hope in this game? Write down your thoughts in your journal. After you have examined The Trolley Problem in a personal mode, Look at it first as Aristotle would, then Kant and then Mill.* How would they redesign the game? Write down your thoughts in your | games interface with popular culture, other cultural traditions, and artistic forms of expression. 1. Describe and define ethical gameplay and explain why it is an appropriate consideration in design of entertainment games which involve moral game mechanics. 2. Compare and contrast ethical game design and the cultural and aesthetic impact on gameplay. 3. Describe, define, and differentiate teleological, deontological, and virtue ethics. |
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| | *Groundwork for the metaphysics of morals (J. Bennett, Ed.) by I. E. Kant 1785 http://www.earlymoderntexts.com/pdf/ kantgrou.pdf *Utilitarianism by J. S. Mill 1861 http://www.utilitarianism.com/jsmill.ht m | journal. <u>Use the study guides for each of the</u> original writings.* | |

Far Cry 2 is an open world first-person shooter developed by Ubisoft Montreal and published by Ubisoft. It was released on October 21, 2008 in North America, October 23, 2008 in Australia and October 24, 2008 in Europe. Initial release date: October 21, 2008 Series: Far Cry Developer: Ubisoft Montreal Publisher: Ubisoft Genres: First-person Shooter, Actionadventure game Designers: Clint Hocking, Patrick Redding

Haddock, Jon. *Elian Gonzalez*. Phoenix.

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Latson, Jennifer. "Elian Gonzalez, 15 Years Later." *Time*, 11 25, 2014. http://time.com/3594675/elian-gonzalezhistory/ Phase 2 [C]: In Chapter 2 Sicart describes an ethical dilemma that he created/discovered in the game *Far Cry* 2. Play this game (*FC2*) and try to replicate his experience. Write down your experience of this ethical conundrum in your journal.

Look at Jon Haddock's piece *Elian Gonzalez*. This artist chose to depict the moment that Elian was taken from his family in America to be returned to his family in Cuba. Why did the artist pick this moment? What game did Haddock use to create the image? Why did he use a game and its imagery in the creation of this piece? Write your thoughts down in your journal. Then read Jennifer Latson's piece on Elian Gonzalez. Think about the state of the relationship between the US and Cuba. Write your thoughts down in your journal.

Redesign **The Trolley Problem** using this ethical conundrum, your thoughts discovered by your research on Elian Gonzalez and your experiences from Phase 1. 7. Understand ethical and cultural diversity by comparing and contrasting through linear and non-linear forms of media and narrative and/or in games in the United States.

9. Describe and explore models to study entertainment games in the United States and the ethical, social, political, economic, or psychological dimensions of relations between minority groups by various disciplinary fields of inquiry. Analyze a video game ethically, using a multi- and/or interdisciplinary approach that examines the game's larger cultural meaning.

10. Explain arguments as to the impact (if any) of video games on behavior and morality. Analyze how video games may shape and/or reflect the prevailing ethical attitudes, perceptions, and behavior of their consumers in the United States.

| | Mandela27(South Africa) http://www.mandela27.eu/ Mandela27 is a cultural collaboration between the European Union and South Africa inspired by the iconic story of Nelson Mandela and the globally recognized Robben Island Museum. The Construction of Play: Rules, Restrictions, and the Repressive Hypothesis Rowan Tulloch Games and Culture, September 2014; vol. 9, 5: pp. 335-350., first published on July 16, 2014 DOI: 10.1177/1555412014542807 http://gac.sagepub.com/content/9/5/3 35 | Phase 3 [G]: Read the article by Rowan Tulloch using the reading questions as a guide. Play enough Mandela27 to understand how the rules affect the characters' freedom in this game. There are 5 recurring elements will form the core content and the rules in Mandela27. Think about the relationship of rules and agency to the political relationship of South Africa and the UK in the game Mandella 27. Write your thoughts about the production and consumption of culture in South Africa in relationship to the 5 elements in the game in your journal. What ethical theories are at work in this game? Write your thoughts on this in your journal. Redesign The Trolley Problem using your thoughts discovered by your research on rules in the Rowan article, Mandela27 and your experiences from Phase 1. Remember to include at least one of the big 3 (Aristotle, Kant, Mill) in your design. | 4. Define video game ethics and aesthetics (the total player experience) and apply them in the analysis of at least one contemporary video game from outside of the United States. 5. Describe video games as sites for both the production and consumption of culture outside of the United States. Describe and conduct a comparative cultural study using the visual arts to elucidate the ways in which video games interface with popular culture, other cultural traditions, and artistic forms of expression. |
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| Assignment 3: Being | Beyond Choices: The design of ethical | Phase 1 [G]: Read Chapter 3 in the | 2. Compare and contrast ethical |
| a Game | gameplay | Sicart textbook according to the study | game design and the cultural and |
| | by Miguel Sicart | guide. On page 41 the designer of <i>War</i> <i>On Terror, The Board Game</i> describes | aesthetic impact on gameplay. |
| | Chapter 3 | his design process. This game has had | |
| | War On Terror, The Board Game | global exposure and has been | 4. Define video game ethics and |
| | http://www.waronterrortheboardgame.com <i>The Rules</i> | purchased and reviewed in many | aesthetics (the total player |

http://www.waronterrortheboardgame.com/ rules/

http://www.waronterrortheboardgame.com/ rules/WoT_v2_rules.pdf

Empire Cards

http://www.waronterrortheboardgame.com/ rules/empire_cards.php

Terrorist Cards

http://www.waronterrortheboardgame.com/ rules/terrorist_cards.php

Reviews

http://www.waronterrortheboardgame.com/ reviews/

Wafaa Bilal http://tisch.nyu.edu/about/directory/photo/ 112869977

Damien Hirst http://www.damienhirst.com/

Nicomachean Ethics by Aristotle

Written 350 B.C.E Translated by W. D. Ross http://classics.mit.edu/Aristotle/nicoma chaen.html book 1, ch. 7; 2.1-6;6.1; 6.12-13; 10.7-8

Groundwork for the metaphysics of morals (J. Bennett, Ed.)

by I. E. Kant 1785 http://www.earlymoderntexts.com/pdf/ kantgrou.pdf countries. How do you suppose someone from Iraq would view the game? How do you suppose someone in the UK would experience it? Pick two countries and try to imagine what it might be like to play the game using an understanding gained from viewing art and other cultural traditions. If you like you can use Iraqi artist Wafaa Bilal and English artist Damien Hirst's work to compare. How might Bilal and Hirst play the game with their friends? How might they play the game with each other?

Following the designer's example, pick something that is happening in the international news right now. Make a list of mechanics that this situation invokes. Examine these mechanic using teleological, deontological, and virtue ethical theories. Which theory seems to be invoked by these mechanics? Write three implementations of your identified game mechanics - one implementation for each of the ethical theories. What do each of these points of view this reveal about our contemporary world on a global level? experience) and apply them in the analysis of at least one contemporary game from outside of the United States.

5. Describe video games as sites for both the production and consumption of culture outside of the United States. Describe and conduct a comparative cultural study using the visual arts to elucidate the ways in which video games interface with popular culture, other cultural traditions, and artistic forms of expression.

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| | by J. S. Mill 1861 http://www.utilitarianism.com/jsmill.ht m The BBC http://www.bbc.com/news Reuters http://www.reuters.com/ CNN http://www.cnn.com/ Get any paper from anywhere http://www.thepaperboy.com/ | Phase 2 [C]: Now find a story in the local paper that pertains to identity, ethnicity or gender in the US. Go to the Phoenix Art Museum, or the Scottsdale Contemporary Art Museum, or the Mesa Arts Center and find a work of art that you respond to; write why this art piece impacts you. Using this chosen aesthetic experience and the news story, (this is the similar to the task above) make a list of mechanics that this information invokes. Examine these mechanics using teleological, deontological, and virtue ethical theories. Which theory seems to be invoked by these mechanics? Write three implementations of your identified game mechanics - one implementation for each of the ethical theories. What do each of these points of view this reveal about the US attitudes on identity, ethnicity, and gender? | 11. Analyze the role of video games in the treatment and construction of ethical identity, ethnicity, and gender in the United States. |
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| Assignment 4: The Player, the Player | <i>Beyond Choices: The design of ethical gameplay</i> by Miguel Sicart Chapter 4 <i>Nicomachean Ethics</i> by Aristotle Written 350 B.C.E Translated by W. D. Ross | Phase 1: Read Chapter 4 in the Sicart textbook according to the study guide. On page 64 it states, "According to Huizinga, the 'activity of play lies outside morals, in itself is neither good nor bad.' When serious issues become a part of play, the activity is broken and is therefore no longer play The implications of this ethical stance | Describe and define ethical gameplay and explain why it is an appropriate consideration in design of entertainment games which involve moral game mechanics. Explain arguments as to the |

| http://classics.mit.edu/Aristotle/nicoma | dramatically affect how we understand | impact (if any) of video games on |
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| chaen.html | and model players in game-design | behavior and morality. Analyze |
| book 1, ch. 7; 2.1-6;6.1; 6.12-13; 10.7-8 | practice and theory." Write your | how video games may shape |
| book 1, 01. 7, 2.1 0,0.1, 0.12 10, 10.7 0 | response to this in your journal. | . |
| Groundwork for the metaphysics of | | and/or reflect the prevailing |
| | Phase 2: Think about the statement that | ethical attitudes, perceptions, and |
| morals (J. Bennett, Ed.) | "An ethical player is more than a mere | behavior of their consumers in the |
| by I. E. Kant | input provider Players are creative | United States. |
| 1785 | agents who flourish by practicing | |
| http://www.earlymoderntexts.com/pdf/ | ethicsThis gives responsibility to | |
| kantgrou.pdf | designers and to games as cultural | |
| | forms." Write your response to this in | |
| Utilitarianism | your journal. | |
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| Heavy Rain (video game) | Phase 3 [C]: Play Heavy Rain as ethically | |
| Heavy Rain is an interactive drama action- | as possible. For each option the player | 9. Describe and explore models to |
| adventure video game developed by Quantic | has in ethical dilemmas in the game, | study entertainment games in the |
| Dream and published by Sony Computer | ask yourself the following questions: | United States and the ethical, |
| Entertainment exclusively for the PlayStation 3 in February 2010. | Does this option produce the most | social, political, economic, or |
| S III February 2010. | good? (Utilitarian Approach – Goods | psychological dimensions of |
| Initial release date: February 18, 2010 | Test) | relations between minority groups |
| Developer: Quantic Dream | • Does this option produce the least | by various disciplinary fields of |
| Directors: David Cage | harm? (Utilitarian Approach – Harms | inquiry. Analyze a game ethically, |
| Awards: BAFTA Games Award for Story, BAFTA Games Award for Technical | Test) Does this option best respect the | using a multi- and/or |
| Innovation, BAFTA Games Award for Original | rights of those individuals who are | interdisciplinary approach that |
| Score | involved or impacted? (Rights Approach) | examines the game's larger |
| Genres: Interactive movie, Action-adventure | Does this option best respect the | 0 |
| game Platforms: PlayStation 3, PlayStation 4 | worth or dignity of those individuals who | cultural meaning. |
| | are involved or impacted? (Kantian | 10. Explain arguments as to the |
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| | Approach) Does this option treat people most fairly (or equally)? (Justice Approach – Fairness Test) Does this option best serve the entire community (rather than just certain individuals)? (Common Good Approach) Does this option best reflect the sort of person I want to be? (Virtue Approach) Find one quest in the game that you think it can be redesigned to support ethical gameplay in a better way. Create a Game Design Document that explains your design. How might this redesign affect the end of the game? | impact (if any) of video games on behavior and morality. Analyze how video games may shape and/or reflect the prevailing ethical attitudes, perceptions, and behavior of their consumers in the United States. 1. Describe and define ethical gameplay and explain why it is an appropriate consideration in design of entertainment games which involve moral game mechanics. 2. Compare and contrast ethical game design and the cultural and aesthetic impact on gameplay. 3. Describe, define, and differentiate teleological, deontological, and virtue ethics. |
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| <i>Syria: My Brother the Martyr</i> "He was sacrificed for the shadow of a cause, and I'm not sure if he even knew what that cause was." https://iwpr.net/global-voices/syria-my- brother-martyr-0 <i>The war in Syria explained in five minutes </i> <i>Guardian Animations</i> https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K5H5w | Phase 4: [G] Read <i>Syria: My Brother the</i> <i>Martyr</i> and imagine that this person is the serial killer in <i>Heavy Rain</i> . Watch the video on the war in Syria and then read <i>Chapter 2 Lineages of Repression</i> in <i>The Arab Spring: Pathways of</i> <i>Repression and Reform.</i> Look at your redesign from Phase 2. How might you redesign it again to change the serial | 6. Study the cultural significance of global issues in entertainment games and analyze the impact of video games on globalization. 4. Define video game ethics and aesthetics (the total player experience) and apply them in the |

| | 3_QTGO Syria: The story of the conflict http://www.bbc.com/news/world-middle- east-26116868 The Arab Spring: Pathways of Repression and Reform by Jason Brownlee, Tarek Masoud, Andrew Reynolds Paperback: 352 pages Publisher: Oxford University Press; 1 edition (April 26, 2015) Language: English ISBN-10: 0199660077 ISBN-13: 978-0199660070 Product Dimensions: 9.2 x 0.8 x 6.1 inches Angelina Jolie addresses the UN Security Council on Syria https://video.fphx1- 1.fna.fbcdn.net/hvideo- xtf1/v/t42.1790- 2/11989842_10153005017287623_ 1894757900_n.mp4?efg=eyJybHliOjMy OSwicmxhljoxNjk3fQ%3D%3D&rl=329& vabr=183&oh=f74822507c24f97445d 61cc66da989f1&oe=55EDC2C5 Endgame: Syria (developer from the UK) http://www.gamesforchange.org/play/endg ame-syria/ | killer in the game to the brother from the <i>Syria: My Brother the Martyr</i> author? What quests, scenarios, and game mechanics can you add to your design to explain the Syrian war? Research the origin of the term "Arab Spring" and put a side quest in the game to allow the player to discover its origin. Phase 5: Watch the designer's video and play <i>Endgame: Syria</i>. Compare what you discovered in the first three phases of this assignment with what this designer did and what this game does. Write a 1500 word paper that compares and contrasts your discoveries of this game with your game design. Use APA 6th edition format. | analysis of at least one contemporary game from outside of the United States. |
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| Assignment 5: Design of Ethical Gameplay | <i>Beyond Choices: The design of ethical gameplay</i> by Miguel Sicart Chapter 5 | Phase 1: Read Chapter 5 in the Sicart textbook according to the study guide. Pick a video game that you are very familiar with and answer these | 1. Describe and define ethical gameplay and explain why it is an appropriate consideration in |

| Nicomachean Ethics by Aristotle Written 350 B.C.E Translated by W. D. Ross http://classics.mit.edu/Aristotle/nicoma chaen.html book 1, ch. 7; 2.1-6;6.1; 6.12-13; 10.7-8 Groundwork for the metaphysics of morals (J. Bennett, Ed.) by I. E. Kant 1785 http://www.earlymoderntexts.com/pdf/ kantgrou.pdf Utilitarianism by J. S. Mill 1861 http://www.utilitarianism.com/jsmill.ht m | questions for each of the main quests. Is this a situation where someone might be helped or harmed? Is this a decision between a "good" and "bad" alternative, or between two "bad" alternatives? Is this situation or decision not simply a matter of what is legal, or efficient, or in compliance with certain policies and procedures? Does this situation involve issues like rights, dignity, justice, or community? Does this decision impact how you view yourself, or how others will come to view you? If you answered, "yes" to any of these questions, you are likely dealing with an ethical situation or decision. Pick one of the quests and imagine how Kant, Mill and Aristotle might play this quest. Write a script of the dialogue that might occur between these three philosophers if they were to play the game together on a Saturday afternoon. What would they say to each other? What jokes might arise during the play session? | design of entertainment games which involve moral game mechanics. 3. Describe, define, and differentiate teleological, deontological, and virtue ethics. |
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| 'Beijing Swings' of Zhu Yu's 'Eating | Phase 2 [G]: on pages 86-88 of the | 5. Describe video games as sites |
| People | Sicart book the author describes the | for both the production and |
| https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jul | essence of "shock" in the section titled | consumption of culture outside of |
| RCIbBPOM | "The Shocking Toy." He describes the | the United States. Describe and |

| Zhu Yu: China's Baby-Eating Shock Artist Goes HyperrealWatch a clip from ZCZ Films 'Beijing Swings' of Zhu Yu's 'Eating People'st elhttp://theculturetrip.com/asia/china/ar ticles/zhu-yu-china-s-baby-eating-shock- artist-goes-hyperreal/%QAWatch a clip from ZCZ Films 'Beijing Swings' of Zhu Yu's 'Eating People'st elgatist-goes-hyperreal/%QAIt has been said that "Zhu's works are asst | conduct a comparative cultural study using the visual arts to elucidate the ways in which video games interface with popular culture, other cultural traditions, and artistic forms of expression. |
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| Shock wave through the art market China now ranks first, ahead of the USA and the UKvalues as they are an assult on the human senses." The "art critic Waldemar Januszczak defended the programme by pointing out that whilst the act may seem deluded, 'It is worth trying to understand why China is producing the most outrageous and darkest art, of anywhere in the world."6.1989: Tiananmen Square protests https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w/V EW1UhOlzOwwwwwwwwwaaaffWatch the videos on the Tiananmen Square protests and massacre. It has been said that this event influenced the shock art movement in China. Look up Chinese shock artists: | 6. Study the cultural significance of global issues in entertainment games and analyze the impact of video games on globalization. |
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| of-chinas-communists | Consider this thought: Globalization is a process of interaction and integration among the people, companies, and governments of different nations, a process driven by international trade and investment and aided by information technology. Examine how your game, <i>Tiananmen</i> <i>Square</i> , can influence globalization. Would you make any changes to the design? | |
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| Papers, Please (Japan)Papers, Please is a puzzle video gamedesigned by indie game developer LucasPope. It focuses on the emotional toll ofworking as an immigration officer,deciding whom to let in and whom toexclude from entering the fictionaldystopian country of ArstotzkaInitial release date: August 8, 2013Developer: Lucas PopePublisher: 3909 LLC2028-20 Shichihongi, Kolmisato-machiKodama-gun, SaitamaJP369-0306 | Phase 2 [C]: Play Papers, Please and watch the documentaries The State of Arizona and The Other Side of Immigration. Design an Arizona edition of Papers, Please. Examine The Immigration Game, Six Generations, Immigration Nation and El Emigrante. What is missing in these games? Do the authors of these games get to the heart of the issues surrounding the immigration laws in the US? Read Emma Lazarus' poem. Where is this poem found? Think about the | 9. Describe and explore models to study entertainment games in the United States and the ethical, social, political, economic, or psychological dimensions of relations between minority groups by various disciplinary fields of inquiry. Analyze a game ethically, using a multi- and/or interdisciplinary approach that examines the game's larger cultural meaning. |
| Awards: BAFTA Games Award for Strategy and Simulation Genres: Puzzle game, Simulation video game Platforms: iOS, PlayStation Vita, Microsoft Windows, GNU/Linux, Mac OS | meaning of colossus. Play <i>Shadow of the Colossus</i> . Now use your interpretation and your new experience with <i>Papers, Please</i> and the documentaries to redesign <i>Shadow</i> <i>of the Colossus</i> to communicate a | 8. Conduct an in-depth ethical and culture specific study and describe the history, evolution, and potential of games in the United States over the past 30 years. |

| Papers, Please - Trailer https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_Q P5X6fcukM Judge upholds 'papers please' provision http://tucson.com/news/local/border/j udge-upholds-papers-please- provision/article_4074a82e-008f-519f- 9abe-4f5a369fdc02.html | possible solution to the current immigration crisis in the US. <i>Papers,</i> <i>Please</i> is a game with a broad impact. What impact could your game have? How might it shape the construction of the understanding and acceptance of difference in the US? |
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| <i>'State Of Arizona' Retraces History Of The Immigration Law That Redefined The Debate</i> <i>http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2014/0 1/16/state-of-arizona-documentary_n_4611840.html?utm_hp_ref=arizona-immigration-law</i> | |
| The State of Arizona (documentary) http://www.pbs.org/independentlens/st ate-of-arizona/film.html http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/B 00I3BR9G6 | |
| The Other Side of Immigration http://www.theothersideofimmigration.c om/ | |
| <i>The New Colossus</i> http://www.libertystatepark.com/emma. htm | |

11. Analyze the role of video games in the treatment and construction of ethical identity, ethnicity, and gender in the United States. Shadow of the Colossus, released in Japan as Wander and the Colossus, is an action-adventure game published by Sony Computer Entertainment for the PlayStation 2. Initial release date: October 18, 2005 Composers: Kō Ōtani Genres: Action-adventure game Developers: Team Ico, Sony Computer Entertainment, SCE Japan Studio Designers: Fumito Ueda, Kō Ōtani Awards: BAFTA Games Award for Artistic Achievement, BAFTA Games Award for Action & Adventure

The Immigration Game (1971) http://boardgamegeek.com/boardgame /129088/immigration-game

Six Generations (2004) http://boardgamegeek.com/boardgame /17553/six-generations

Immigration Nation (2001) https://www.icivics.org/games/immigra tion-nation

El Emigrante (date unknown) http://www.transience.com.au/el/elga meo.html

| Assignment 6: Into | Beyond Choices: The design of ethical | Phase 1: Read Chapter 6 in the Sicart | 1. Describe and define ethical |
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| Play | gameplay | textbook according to the study guide. | gameplay and explain why it is an |
| | by Miguel Sicart | Throughout this book the author uses | appropriate consideration in |
| | Chapter 6 | the term "wicked problem" to refer to an | design of entertainment games |
| | | ethical dilemma. How do you suppose | which involve moral game |
| | Nicomachean Ethics by Aristotle | he identifies these wicked problems? | mechanics. |
| | Written 350 B.C.E | Are you able to identify the same | incentances. |
| | Translated by W. D. Ross | dilemmas with the set of question from | 2. Compare and contrast ethical |
| | http://classics.mit.edu/Aristotle/nicoma | Assignment 5? (re-iterated below) | game design and the cultural and |
| | chaen.html | | aesthetic impact on gameplay. |
| | book 1, ch. 7; 2.1-6;6.1; 6.12-13; 10.7-8 | Is this a situation where someone | aesthetic impact on gamepiay. |
| | | might be helped or harmed? | |
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| | morals (J. Bennett, Ed.) | "bad" alternatives? | |
| | by I. E. Kant | Is this situation or decision not simply | |
| | 1785 | a matter of what is legal, or efficient, or | |
| | http://www.earlymoderntexts.com/pdf/ | in compliance with certain policies and | |
| | kantgrou.pdf | procedures? | |
| | Kantgrou.put | Does this situation involve issues like | |
| | Utilitarianism | rights, dignity, justice, or community? | |
| | | Does this decision impact how you | |
| | by J. S. Mill | view yourself, or how others will come to | |
| | 1861 | view you? | |
| | http://www.utilitarianism.com/jsmill.ht | If you answered, "yes" to any of these | |
| | m | questions, you are likely dealing with an | |
| | Braid | ethical situation or decision. | |
| | Braid is a platform and puzzle video game | | |
| | developed by Number None, Inc. The game | Write your thoughts in your journal. | |
| | was released on August 6, 2008 for the | | |
| | Xbox 360's Xbox Live Arcade service. A Microsoft Windows version was released on | Phase 2[C]: For each of the author's | 3. Describe, define, and |
| | April 10, 2009. Wikipedia | identified domains: narrative and | differentiate teleological, |
| | Initial release date: August 6, 2008 | character, gameworld, rules, context, he gathered his facts by using the four | deontological, and virtue ethics. |
| | Designer: Jonathan Blow | questions on page 111. The then | , C |
| | Developers: Hothead Games, Number None, | | 8. Conduct an in-depth ethical and |

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Awards: GameSpot Award for Best Platformer, More Platforms: PlayStation 3, Xbox 360, Microsoft Windows, GNU/Linux, Mac OS Publishers: Hothead Games, Number None, Inc., Microsoft Studios, MumboJumbo, LLC

History of the Atomic Bomb http://www.history.co.uk/studytopics/history-of-ww2/atomic-bomb

The Manhattan Project: Making the Atomic Bomb

http://www.atomicarchive.com/History/mp/

Hiroshima & Nagasaki Remembered http://www.hiroshima-

remembered.com/history/nagasaki/page7. html

Health Effects of Atom Bomb

(Warning: Graphic Images) http://atomicbombmuseum.org/3_health.s html

determined his options by examining player choices.

Pick one of the domains, and **Braid** Evaluate the player choices through each of the ethical theories: teleology, deontology, and virtue ethics. Look up the history of the making of the atom bomb and the American mentality in the years when it was developed.

Pick a quest to redesign in a way where the ethics are intertwined with the game mechanics. Refer to the mechanics that the author identifies for the domain that you chose. culture specific study and describe the history, evolution, and potential of games in the United States over the past 30 years.

9. Describe and explore models to study entertainment games in the United States and the ethical, social, political, economic, or psychological dimensions of relations between minority groups by various disciplinary fields of inquiry. Analyze a game ethically, using a multi- and/or interdisciplinary approach that examines the game's larger cultural meaning.

10. Explain arguments as to the impact (if any) of video games on behavior and morality. Analyze how video games may shape and/or reflect the prevailing ethical attitudes, perceptions, and behavior of their consumers in the United States.

11. Analyze the role of video games in the treatment and construction of ethical identity, ethnicity, and gender in the United States.

Spec Ops: The Line

Spec Ops: The Line is a 2012 thirdperson shooter video game developed by the German studio Yager Development and published by 2K Games. Wikipedia Initial release date: June 26, 2012 Series: Spec Ops Publisher: 2K Games Genres: Third-person Shooter Composers: Elia Cmiral Developers: Yager Development, Darkside Game Studios

Claiming the Second World War and Its Lost Generation

Laurel Cohen-Pfister Seminar: A Journal of Germanic Studies, Volume 50, Number 1, February 2014, pp. 104-123 (Article) University of Toronto Press DOI: 10.1353/smr.2014.0010 *Phase 3[G]:* Now pick a different domain, and play *Spec Ops: The Line*. This game was made by a German game development company. Read *Claiming the Second World War and Its Lost Generation* according to the study guide. Research the history of German involvement in war in these timeframes:

- Weimar Republic (1919–1933)
- Nazi Germany (1933–1945)
- Allied-occupied Germany (1945–1949)
- West Germany (1949–1990)
- East Germany (1949–1990)
- Germany (1990-present)

Using your knowledge of German history, imagine what the effects have been on the game developers who made *Spec Ops: The Line* and evaluate the player choices through each of the ethical theories: teleology, deontology, and virtue ethics. What effect has this history had on the design of the game? What possible effect could a game like this have on globalization?

Pick a quest to redesign in a way where the ethics are intertwined with the game mechanics. Refer to the mechanics that the author identifies for the domain that you chose. 3. Describe, define, and differentiate teleological, deontological, and virtue ethics.

4. Define video game ethics and aesthetics (the total player experience) and apply them in the analysis of at least one contemporary game from outside of the United States.

5. Describe video games as sites for both the production and consumption of culture outside of the United States. Describe and conduct a comparative cultural study using the visual arts to elucidate the ways in which video games interface with popular culture, other cultural traditions, and artistic forms of expression.

6. Study the cultural significance of global issues in entertainment games and analyze the impact of video games on globalization.