PHIL 110



Science, Technology and Human Values Fall 2023 Asynchronous Online

- What is technology? What is science? And what are human values?
- Are some technologies value-laden, or are they value-neutral?
- Should we care about the consequences of disruptive technologies?
- What should we think about technologies of 'mass-influence', such as the internet, the atomic bomb, social media platforms, and the possibility of A.I.?
- Are you interested in questions like these?

What is Science, Technology and Human Values?

This course examines the embodiment and expression of human values in science and technology; it looks at how technologies change over time and through the interaction of cultures; it explores how technology is now assuming an increasingly defining role in our understanding of ourselves as physical, behavioral and social beings. The course draws on key works and themes from philosophy along with pertinent works from other disciplines.

What do we do?

Overall, the course is designed to give students an opportunity to: become acquainted with major themes and methods in the philosophical study of science, technology and human values; apply those themes and methods in the critical examination and systematic comparison of cases that differ historically and culturally; and, acquire conceptual tools useful in the life-long development of their own views and values concerning the place of technology in their communities, lives, and careers.

Would you like to join us?

We are now enrolling for the Fall 2023 term. Let us know if you're interested!

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