



SCHOOL OF ARTS, SOCIAL SCIENCES AND BUSINESS
DEPARTMENT OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

COURSE OUTLINE

COURSE CODE: SAS 311 **COURSE TITLE:** Ethics, Integrity & Social Responsibility
UNITS: 3 **YEAR:** 3 **SEMESTER:** I **Academic Year:** 2024/2025
Day: Thursday **Time:** 4 pm - 6 pm **Venue:** Virtual
Consultation: Appointment
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Purpose of the Course	The course gives a general examination of salient issues surrounding social ethics as it applies to issues of integrity; So as inculcate in a learner the ethical values and a life of integrity in the contemporary society.
Expected Learning Outcomes of the Course	By the end of the course, a learner should be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Define the concepts of Social Ethics and Integrity from sociological and cultural perspectives. • State origins, purpose and roles of Ethics and Integrity in human life. • Discuss the significance of various ethical interpretations of issues to the African context. • Apply the results of ethical investigations to particular situations of life in Africa today.
Course Description	Definitions of Concepts of ethics, social integrity, and moral and social responsibility; Categories/Types of Ethics; Law and ethics; ethical theories; Importance of Ethics and Integrity; Constitutional Provisions on Ethics and Integrity; Constraints and Challenges to raising Civic Awareness; Whistle blowing; Corruption; National Cohesion/unity, positive and negative ethnicity, stakeholders; Moral and Social Responsibility; Cultural and socio-economic implication of social issues.

Course Content/ Topics	
WEEK	Topic
1	LECTURE ONE: INTRODUCTION 1.1. Introduction 1.2. The Concepts of ethics
2	LECTURE TWO: CATEGORIES OF ETHICS 2.1 Branches of ethics 2.2 Distinction between ethics and morality 2.3 Relevance of ethics in the contemporary society
3	LECTURE THREE: FACTORS OF MORALITY 3.1 Human Acts and Acts of man 3.2 Properties of human Acts 3.3 Impediments of human acts
4	CAT 1
5	LECTURE FOUR: DISTINCTION BETWEEN LAW AND ETHICS 4.1 Types of law 4.2 Law and Ethics 4.3 Moral theories
6	LECTURE FIVE: SOCIETY 5.1 Meaning of society 5.2 Elements of society 5.3 Causes of society 5.4 Types of societies 5.5 Authority in the society
7	LECTURE SIX: ETHICS AND INTEGRITY 6.1 Key concepts of ethics and integrity 6.2 Importance of ethics and integrity 6.3 Constitutional provisions on ethics and integrity
8	CAT 2
9	LECTURE SEVEN: ETHICS AND INTEGRITY CONT. 7.1 Causes of unethical behaviour/conduct 7.2 Constraints and Challenges to raising Civic Awareness 7.3 Whistle blowing 7.4 Importance of ethics and integrity 7.5 Key players in promoting ethical conduct in government institutions
10	LECTURE EIGHT: NATIONAL COHESION 8.1 Meaning of national cohesion 8.2 Promoting national cohesion 8.3 Impediments to national cohesion

11	LECTURE NINE: MORAL ACCOUNTABILITY 9.1 The concept of moral accountability 9.2 Providence and freewill 9.3 Fatalism	
12	LECTURE TEN: MORAL ACCOUNTABILITY CONT. 10.1Determinism 10.2Forms of determinism	
13	LECTURE ELEVEN: SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY 11.1The relationship between an individual and the society 11.2The effect of one's actions to the society	
14	University Regular examination	
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Mode of Delivery		Lectures, Discussions, Assignments, Tutorials, Assigned Readings Class Presentations, Handouts, Internet Research and Community participation.
Instruction Materials and /or Equipment		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LCD Projectors • Whiteboards • Resource Persons
Course Assessment		CAT 1, CAT 2 & Assignments 30% End of Semester Exam <u>70%</u> TOTAL <u>100%</u>
Core Reading Materials for the Course		1. Caslen Jnr., R.L and Mathews, M.D. (2020). <i>The Character Edge: Leading and Winning with Integrity</i> 2. Miller, C.B.; West, R. (2020) (Eds). Integrity, Honesty and Truth Seeking. Oxford University Press 3. Spinoza, B; Elwes, R.H.M. (2018). <i>Ethics</i> . Musaicum Books

