

ECS 188 — Basic Attitudes on Technology and Ethics — April 2019

Please rate your **personal belief** in each statement according to the following scale:

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Strongly Disagree	Mostly Disagree	Mostly Agree	Strongly Agree

1. 0 1 2 3 Technology has vastly improved the quality of most people's lives.
2. 0 1 2 3 Technologically-created problems are usually amenable to technological solutions.
3. 0 1 2 3 Technology itself is value-neutral: it is what people *do* with the technology that is right/wrong.
4. 0 1 2 3 It's impossible to accurately predict how a technology will be used, so it makes little sense to try.
5. 0 1 2 3 Technology is driven primarily by human desires, as expressed through the marketplace.
6. 0 1 2 3 There's a good chance that human society will collapse as a result of anthropogenic climate change.
7. 0 1 2 3 There's a good chance that human society will collapse from a man-made disaster (nuclear war, biotech/nanotech accident, etc.)
8. 0 1 2 3 Because of technological advances, I will probably live longer than my same-gender parent.
9. 0 1 2 3 I am generally optimistic about our collective future.
10. 0 1 2 3 The work an engineer does is inherently political.
11. 0 1 2 3 In making public-policy decisions involving technology, we should rely mostly on the advice of experts.
12. 0 1 2 3 It is morally acceptable to work at a US national laboratory that designs, modifies, or tests nuclear weapons.
13. 0 1 2 3 It is morally acceptable to develop software for the guidance system of a US "smart bomb."
14. 0 1 2 3 It is morally acceptable to work on oil-field exploration/exploitation technology for BP/Chevron/Exxon.
15. 0 1 2 3 It is morally acceptable to buy from companies (eg, Apple, Nike) that exploit poor workers.
16. 0 1 2 3 It is morally acceptable to eat factory-farmed beef (eg, beef from McDonalds, In-and-Out, Safeway)
17. 0 1 2 3 It is morally acceptable for an able-bodied student who lives in Davis to routinely drive to school.
18. 0 1 2 3 There is no "right" or "wrong" in this world; everything is relative to one's cultural norms or personal beliefs.
19. 0 1 2 3 Most people behave ethically most of the time.
20. 0 1 2 3 Most corporations behave ethically most of the time.
21. 0 1 2 3 It's important to me that my life have a net positive influence on the state of the world.
22. 0 1 2 3 When considering my future employer, the societal impact of what they do will be a key consideration of mine.
23. 0 1 2 3 I am morally obligated to follow the law even if I don't agree with it.
24. 0 1 2 3 Well-educated people tend to behave more ethically than do less educated people.
25. 0 1 2 3 Major aspects of my moral perspective are unlikely to change at this point in time.