

ECS 188 — Basic Attitudes on Technology and Ethics — April 2019Please rate your **personal belief** in each statement according to the following scale:

① ② ③	① ② ③	① ② ③	① ② ③
Strongly Disagree	Mostly Disagree	Mostly Agree	Strongly Agree

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