PRACTICAL CONVERSATION WITH YOUR PEERS

What real-life ethical choices or questions do you face on this campus and potentially in your career?

What support can we offer each other to resist temptations to fall into “ethical slips” in order to survive or get ahead in a competitive environment?

How can we resolve complex issues that include players with different opinions about fairness, right, and wrong?

What sort of guidance on ethical conduct would be helpful to you?

What cross-generational advice (experienced students to incoming students or veteran professionals to newly hired employees) should we provide for our peers? What do you know now regarding ethical protocol or expectations that you wish you had known earlier?

Black, White, and Gray: Navigating Ethical Issues at CSM is a comfortable place to explore ethical issues that matter to you.

This is an online dialog with your peers where you can exchange thoughts and questions about ethical topics in your academic program or career, access information to help you better understand expectations on campus, explore possibilities for action if you are facing an ethical dilemma, and develop an online support community of students who may have similar experiences, feelings, and questions or who have helpful advice to offer.

You are welcome to submit your own questions or ideas, respond to a question on the site, comment on what others have contributed, tell your own story, offer or peruse resources, or simply read what others have posted.

Eventually, we’d like to include any interested graduate students on campus. But because we’d like to start small, with a manageable size, we are beginning the conversation among international graduate students. The dialog is a controlled-group site on Blackboard that is accessible only to other CSM international graduate students and the site coordinators, Diane Witters and Mirna Mattjike.

Participation in this project is completely voluntary. If you’d like to join us or if you’d like more information about this project, please contact dwitters@mines.edu or mmattjik@mines.edu