FDA030
Ethics in the Age of Information Technology (CIS)

Lectures:
27 h.

Recommended for
Graduate students.

The course was last given:
Fall 2001.

Goals
To introduce ethical theories and methods. To present and analyse ethical issues related to computerisation and information technology. To present and analyse problems in research ethics.

Prerequisites
None.

Organization
Presentations, seminars and discussions.

Contents
Ethical theories and methods for analysing ethical arguments. The course focuses on ethical issues related to the use of information technology, like privacy, responsibility and decision support and ethical issues related to the use of Internet. Another focus is on research ethics. This includes cheating, rights and responsibilities of researchers, ethical issues related to publication and the confrontation of different systems of norms in applied research.

Literature
Beach, Doré, The Responsible Conduct of Research, Weinham: VCH, 1996.
Collste, Göran, ed, Ethics in the Age of Information Technology, Studies in Applied Ethics, 7, Linköping, 2000 (Can be bought at the start of the course).
Johnson, Deborah, Computer Ethics, 3rd ed., Upper Saddle River: Prentice Hall, 2001.

Teachers
Göran Collste and Bo Petersson, Centre for Applied Ethics. Erik Sandewall, IDA.

Examiner
Göran Collste.

Schedule
Fall 2002.

Examination
Seminar activity and written papers.

Credit
3-5 credits.