# Social Responsibility at MIT: Suggested Courses



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MIT offers a rich learning environment through its courses, fostering discovery of the world and solutions to contemporary and future social challenges. The ability to solve such challenges is much augmented, however, by an understanding of both the academic and the social aspects of the endeavors. For these reasons, MIT Student Pugwash has compiled this list of courses that relate to social responsibility along the lines of impacts ("how does science and engineering affect society?") and self-reflection ("what is my role as a scientist or engineer?"). They are just a small selection of many such courses at the Institute. The list is provided to help undergraduate and graduate students in course selection during their academic careers. While some courses listed here may not be offered this semester, they are included for future reference. Joint courses are mentioned only once. For more information about the courses, see the on-line MIT guide at <a href="http://student.mit.edu/">http://student.mit.edu/</a>.

#### Key:

1.081J	Course number
U	Undergraduate class

G Graduate class H H-level grad credit class

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#### 1: Civil and Environmental Engineering

- 1.149 G Applications of Technology in Energy and the Environment
- 1.812J H Regulation of Chemicals, Radiation, and Biotechnology
- 1.814J H Industrial Ecology
- 1.817J G Planning for Sustainable Development
- 1.818J H Sustainable Energy

#### 2: Mechanical Engineering

- 2.813 U Environmentally Benign Design and Manufacturing
- 2.83 H Environmentally Benign Design and Manufacturing

#### **3: Materials Science and Engineering**

3.78J H Industry, Technology, and Ecology

#### 4: Architecture

4.235 H Sustainable Settlement Design in Developing Countries

#### 5: Chemistry

- 5.22J U Biotechnology and Engineering
- 5.92 U Energy, Environment, and Society

#### 6: Electrical Engineering and Computer Science

6.805J U Ethics and the Law on the Electronic Frontier

#### 7: Biology

7.547J H Principles and Practice of Drug Development

#### 8: Physics

8.225J U Einstein, Oppenheimer, Feynman: Physics in the 20th Century

#### 9: Brain and Cognitive Sciences

9.91 U Minds, Maps, and Models 9.914 G Minds, Maps, and Models

### 10: Chemical Engineering

10.547J	Н	Principles and Practice of Drug Development
10.805J	Н	Technology, Law, and the Working Environment

#### 11: Urban Studies and Planning

- 11.366J G Planning for Sustainable Development
- 11.401 G Introduction to Housing and Community Development
- 11.497 G Human Rights in Theory and Practice
- 11.630J H Environmental Law, Policy and Economics: Pollution Prevention and Control

#### 12: Earth, Atmospheric, and Planetary Sciences

- 12.103 U Strange Bedfellows: Science and Environmental Policy
- 12.848J H Global Climate Change: Economics, Science, and Policy

#### 14: Economics

- 14.42 U Environmental Policy and Economics
- 14.420 H Environmental Policy and Economics

#### 15: Management

- 15.268 H Choice Points: Readings on the Exercise of Power and Responsibility
- 15.323 G Organizations, Environments, and Social Responsibility
- 15.569 H Organizations as Enacted Systems: Learning, Knowing, and Change
- 15.655J H Law, Technology, and Public Policy
- 15.992 G Sustainability Lab

#### 16. Aeronautics and Astronautics

16.863 H Seminar on System Safety

#### 17: Political Science

- 17.181 U Sustainable Development: Theory, Research and Policy
- 17.182 G Sustainable Development: Theory, Research and Policy
- 17.31J U Science, Technology, and Public Policy
- 17.477J U Technology and Policy of Weapons Systems
- 17.903 U Community Service: Experience and Reflection

#### 20: Biological Engineering

20.104J U Chemicals in the Environment: Toxicology and Public Health

#### 21A: Anthropology

21A.340J U Technology and Culture

#### 22: Nuclear Engineering

22.812J H Nuclear Energy Economics and Policy Analysis

#### 24: Linguistics and Philosophy

- 24.02 U Moral Problems and the Good Life
- 24.04J U Justice
- 24.231 U Ethics
- 24.06 U Bioethics

#### **ESD: Engineering Systems Division**

- ESD.10 H Introduction to Technology and Policy
- ESD.126 H Energy Systems and Economic Development
- ESD.136J H Technology, Law, and the Working Environment

#### HST: Harvard-MIT Division of Health Sciences and Technology

- HST.391 H Principles of Clinical Investigation Seminar
- HST.930J G Social Studies of Biosci and Biotech
- HST.935 G Narrative Ethics: Literary Texts and Moral Issues in Medicine

#### **NS: Naval Science**

NS.402 U Leadership and Ethics

#### STS: Science, Technology, and Society

- STS.011 U American Science: Ethical Conflicts and Political Choices
- STS.042J U Einstein, Oppenheimer, Feynman: Physics in the 20th Century
- STS.046J U The Science of Race, Sex, and Gender in the United States
- STS.069 U Technology in a Dangerous World
- STS.071J U US Military Power
- STS.448 H Science, Media, and Social Movements
- STS.450J H US Military Power