

Description of Workshop on Ethics Education in Physics

The APS Task Force on Ethics Education recommended that the APS create and maintain a web site as a resource that could be used to help educate students, postdocs, and faculty about scientific ethics. A well-designed course in professional ethics can focus attention on a range of issues that physicists face and can provide students with the appropriate context in which to examine these issues.

Marshall Thomsen has taught Ethical Issues in Physics, at Eastern Michigan University for over 15 years. Participants in this workshop will learn about what has worked well in this course and what has not, where to look for ethics education resources, and what techniques can be used to promote thoughtful analyses of issues. Case studies from the new APS Ethics website at <http://www.aps.org/programs/education/ethics/index.cfm> will be discussed.

PLEASE e-mail Professor Thomsen at jthomsen@emich.edu if you plan on attending this workshop so that he has an accurate headcount to make sufficient copies of materials to distribute.