Online learning: some neglected ethical issues

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Abstract
In the first part of this talk I will outline my approach to computer ethics, both in research and in teaching. This will include discussion of method and content. Computer ethics, I will argue, should be more than merely the raising of ethical issues related to computing, but should involve careful analysis of those issues and rigorous argument. In the second part I will apply this approach to ethics and online learning, something that has not been done much within the computer ethics community. Issues of privacy, autonomy and equity will receive particular attention, the argument being that the ethical issues are more serious than is generally recognised.