**ACE 8** Use knowledge, theories, and analysis to explain ethical principles and their importance in society.

|  | Exemplary   | Acceptable   | Developing   | Deficient   |
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| Explains ethical principles and their importance in society. | Demonstrates a full understanding of how ethical principles are derived and why they matter and offers examples of their own incorporation of the principles and/or viably serves as an exemplar response that could be used in future renditions of the course. In short the evaluator determines that not only does a student 'get it', they embrace it and enact it. | Demonstrates a full understanding of ethical principles and their importance in society. Uses knowledge, theories, and analysis to clarify how an ethical principle or principles are derived and explain why that principle (those principles) matter(s). | Shows a clear but incomplete understanding of ethical principles and their importance in society. Explains how an ethical principle is derived, but leaves out why it is important or explains why it matters but not how it is grounded or supported. | Shows little or no evidence of understanding what ethical principles. Responses show little or no use of knowledge, theories, and/or analysis to be able to explain how ethics are supported or why they are important. |