

# Why Ethical Hacking?

Perspectives



# Background

- Two “innocent” ethics assignments:
  - **The Ethics of Teaching Certain Information Assurance Topics**
  - **The Ethics of Hacker Sites**
- Both assignments proved very difficult for students.
  - The word “hacking” is blocked on our site.



# Perspectives

- Organizational
  - We don't want any service disruptions
- Educational: Teachers
  - We should not be teaching “hacking”. There is no such thing as ethical hacking.
  - We should be teaching these things. Our students need to know how to recover from their effects.



# Perspectives

- Educational: Students
  - We need to know about this.
  - Even if we make mistakes and bring the campus down.
- Corporate
  - We have to protect our infrastructure.
  - Someone has to be an expert in this area.
  - But we need to be careful and ensure that this knowledge doesn't become widespread in the company.



# Purpose

- Today we will take a good look at these perspectives by hearing from the constituents.
- There are a number of important questions that need to be asked and answered.

