### **Melaney Freeman**

### **I’m not sure if the human will exists or not but I think it definitely plays into the ideas that these technologies are sort of helping to bring up the topic of free will or no free will. It sort of makes me think about whether we can create something, such as an AI that can have free will. Or will it truly be free will if we don’t have free will to begin with? I don’t know if there really is a way to know, with these technologies or not.**

### **Sam Blake**

### **I can't speak to the full extent of change culture has undergone since the birth of the Internet, but I can say that widespread dissemination of information cannot change the fundamental truths of human existence. At worst, they can create a mindless buzz of distraction that separates us from meaning and purpose. At best the influence of technology can allow us to form deeper relationships with one another and connect more meaningfully. In either case these changes are surface-level.**

### **Andrew Palmer**

* 1. When we accept the terms and conditions and have an app on our phone, we are allowing a company that created that app influence us in ways that we are unaware.

### **Christopher Terra**

* 1. As such having the skills to  
     work in today’s technological environment will in a way allow us to shape how others think, but I hope  
     that such a thing is used responsibly.

### **Travis Huff**

* 1. I started this major because I thought it will be fun. It quickly turned  
     into a puzzle that I will find myself staying up at night trying to find the end result.

1. Aaron Christensen
   1. Gameboys may  
      have seemed an odd recreational replacement to those who grew up with fishing poles but Netflix  
      works for everyone.
2. AJ Marriage
   1. I have a voice through  
      my art work and using it I express myself in the vast internet and world that is our current  
      Culture.

### **Daniel Quatrone**

* 1. One thing that I really liked was the question, “Can we ourselves shape our own  
     human existence through technology for the better?”. I think this question is very important,  
     because I think it is absolutely true. However, we need to truly try to use technology to shape  
     humanity’s future, because if not, it could shape our future for the worst.

### **Michelle Bukkhegyi**

* 1. I hope to  
     understand how previous generations (before the internet especially) thought compared to my  
     generation. Is it part of the reason that this generation is called entitled? I feel as though generations  
     don’t get along (if they don’t) because we can’t relate to each other.

### **Mikayla Jones**

* 1. After taking a class that included a section on using Blender, I realized 3d  
     modeling allowed me to create environments far more immersive than anything I could do on paper  
     and so began my love for 3d modeling and virtual reality.

1. Mike Wilson
   1. I think that the web has connected people like nothing in history has been able to; but we  
      haven’t been using that connectivity to its full and good potential. Instead it has in many ways been  
      acting as a tool for division rather than a tool for unity

### **Aaron Gluck**

* 1. What we create can have a major impact upon the life of those that interact  
     with our creations. Thus, we as the creators must keep in mind the possible power, good or ill, of our  
     Creations.

### **Taylor Campbell**

* 1. I think it is important that those who develop these technologies remain cognizant of the changes and effects they can have on individuals and societies. As we go further, more must be done to continue to transform computer technology into an agent for meaningful discourse, experience and knowledge.

### **Gabe Grow**

* 1. your online identity is becoming more and more important  
     for even the smallest of companies.

### **Rachel Storjohann**

* 1. Learning can come in many forms, from learning math or language, to exploring new stories, to figuring out how to change the oil in a car.

### **Jason Draper**

* 1. I’m also  
     hoping that this course can help us as students create a clearer picture of what the GIMM  
     program really is.

### **Liz Altmiller**

* 1. Growing up without much technology (my parent’s didn’t approve of it) gave me a   
     distinct delight in technology, but also the insight that only great lengths of silence alone  
     with one’s thoughts can bring.

### **Caitlyn Brown**

* 1. I think the aspect of the course description that caught my curiosity the most was the idea of online identity. It makes me think of all the people I've only talked to online and have only known me as an online presence, and it makes me wonder just how they imagine me compared to the actual person. The digital world is ever-expansive and more and more people are forming identities around it. Online, I could claim to be a rocket scientist and nobody would be any the wiser, and that concept both fascinates and terrifies me!

### **Zena Zaleski**

* 1. when I heard about GIMM. It seemed like the perfect balance between art and technology, so I jumped  
     on the chance to be a part of this new program.

### **Paul Meyer**

* 1. I would hope to learn that isn’t on the website is how to serve different users different  
     webpages for A/B web page testing, and how to collect the results of this testing.

### **Claeo McDermott**

* 1. As someone who went until last April without ever owning a smartphone, I've always been sort of on the outside-looking-in when it comes to technology of this caliber. When you're the only person around without a smartphone you spend a lot of time observing their effects on human life, so it's always been something that I've been fascinated with

### **Kaylee Morgan**

* 1. For me, GIMM is an opportunity learn how to reach  
     people and create or adapt technology to assist people better. Things from Fitbits, to more  
     interactive lesson plans for children, I think that we can create apps, and websites that can  
     better us as people.

### **Dean Cohen**

* 1. I see myself as an interesting mix between tech lover  
     and nature lover. And hopefully one day I combine them into something spectacular.