

Difference between Ethics and Values is explained here in detail. Ethics is a branch of philosophy that "involves systematizing, defending, and recommending concepts of right and wrong behavior. Values tend to influence attitudes and behavior. Values reflect a person's sense of right and wrong. The difference between Ethics and Values given here can help the UPSC Civil Service exam aspirants to understand the basics better and know their comparisons thoroughly.



The major Differences between Ethics and Values are:

Ethics	Values
Ethics refers to a system of moral principles	Values are associated with the thought process, a person's sense of what is wrong and what is right.
Ethics aligns with professional setup	Values are associated with personal aspects of a person

Ethics has 3 major areas of study - Meta Ethics, Normative Ethics, Applied Ethics.	Different types of values are moral values, social values, aesthetic values, religious values, political values.
Ethics will be consistent within a professional setup but would vary between 2 different organisations or institutions.	Values vary from person to person, it need not be consistent.
Ethics are determined by an institution, organisation and varied professions. Ethics that are followed by medical professionals will be different from ethics followed in public administration domain	Values formed in a person are determined by family values, religion, culture, community etc.
Ethics could act as a constraint. The action that needs to be taken in an organisation could be consistent with the values of a person, however there could be chances that it cannot be executed as it may not align with the ethical standards of the profession, organisation or institution.	Values could act as a catalyst for the necessary motivation in a person.

These are the main differences between Ethics and Values. The differences given in the above table can help the UPSC Civil Service Exam aspirants to answer any related questions easily in the exams.

After learning about the Ethics and Value difference, it is better to learn the details of the IAS Exam strategy for Mains - General Studies Paper IV, which covers the Ethics, Integrity and Aptitude. Also learn about the Ethics - Aptitude and Foundational Values for Civil Services. Visit the below given link to learn more about IAS Exam strategy for Mains, which covers topics related to Ethics, Integrity and Aptitude.

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