CNS-ASU has developed training modules on the social and ethical dimensions of nanotechnology that are designed for science and engineering practitioners at major user facilities. These modules have been deployed at the Department of Energy’s Center for Integrated Nanotechnologies (CINT) as well as at the National Nanotechnology Infrastructure Network (NNIN).

The CNS-CINT training program consists of four sessions, each of which includes background reading materials, briefing packets, lectures and discussions. Topics addressed include nanotechnology and public policy, environment, health and safety, ethical and societal implications, and social science research. The roundtable discussions compare existing and emerging methods of integrating science and society into the laboratory.

The NNIN training module has been posted on the NNIN Societal and Ethical Issues website for use in all NNIN facilities.