



Center for Ethics, Humanities & Spirituality

Introduction to Bioethics

“Be careful when you get into practice to cultivate
equally well your hearts and your heads.”

~ Sir William Osler, 1899 Albany Medical Association



1 Thursday a Month at noon (please see dates below)

Course description:

This course will focus on the critical reasoning skills and the casuistic methods of bioethics and precedents that direct our understanding of the complexities of diverse understandings of the good in healthcare. Students will encounter an overview of the major topics in bioethics. Students will gain familiarity with the terminology, methods, frameworks, and resources for engaging in ethical analysis of contemporary issues. Seminar credit for students completing 6 of 8 class sessions.

Course Schedule:

August 31:	Introduction to Ethical Theories
September 28:	Virtue ethics
October 26:	Casuistry
November 30:	Utilitarianism
January 4:	Deontology
February 1:	Principles of bioethics
March 29:	Ethics of care
April 18:	Ethics Bowl