

Philosophy 111
Medical Ethics

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Syllabus

Course Description: Selected ethical problems in health care practices. For example, abortion, patient rights, national health care, euthanasia and genetic engineering, with emphasis on philosophical methods.

Required Texts: *Bioethics: Health Care Law and Ethics*, Furrow et al eds. (HCL), *A Companion to Bioethics*, Kuhse & Singer, eds. (CB) There are 3 copies of HCL and 1 copy of CB on reserve at the library.

Requirements: One midterm, one final, one 5-7 page paper (due on the day of the final exam) and consistent participation. In order to get full credit for participation, you must come to class having done the reading, be actively involved in class discussion, and be able to give a thoughtful response when called on. Students who miss more than 4 classes will not get full participation credit unless they have a good reason for missing class. Students who miss 6 or more classes will not get more than 15 participation points, unless they have a good reason for missing class.

Grading: Participation 30 points, midterm 20, final 30 points, paper 20 points. As long as you have your topic and draft turned in on the due dates, you may rewrite your paper as many times as you wish and get the grade you got on the best draft.

Schedule

Date	Topic	Assignment
1/23	Introduction	
1/28	Health care law and ethics	HCL Ch. 1, CB, Ch. 1 and 6
1/30	Reproduction and Personhood	HCL 38-47
2/4		CB Ch. 7,8
2/6	Abortion	HCL 61-108
2/11		CB Ch. 13, 14
2/13	Assisted Reproduction	HCL 113-154
2/18		CB Ch. 11, 17
2/20	Surrogacy	HCL 154-180
2/25	Maternal-Fetus Decision Making	HCL 190-205
2/27		CB Ch. 15
3/4	Organ Donation	HCL 243-270
3/6		CB Ch. 9, 32
3/11	What is Death?	HCL 270-294
3/13		CB Ch. 10, 25
3/18	MIDTERM	
3/20	Decisions about Death and Dying	HCL 295-337

4/1	Paper Topic Due	CB Ch. 23
4/3	-Advance Directives	HCL 343-365, CB 26
4/8	-Adults no longer competent	HCL 337-343
4/10	-Children and Newborns	HCL 413-432
4/15	Draft of first paper due	CB Ch. 24
4/17	Assisted Suicide	HCL Ch. 6
4/22		CB Ch. 27
4/24	Genetics	HCL Ch. 3
4/29		CB Ch. 12, 19
5/1		CB Ch. 20, 22
5/6	Human and Animal Experimentation	HCL 505-541
5/8		HCL 541-563, CB Ch. 39
5/13	Animal Experimentation	CB Ch. 41

University Policies

Academic integrity

Students are expected to be familiar with the University's Academic Integrity Policy. Please review this at <http://www.sjsu.edu/studentconduct/>. "Your own commitment to learning, as evidenced by your enrollment at San Jose State University and the University's integrity policy, require you to be honest in all your academic course work. Faculty members are required to report all infractions to the office of Student Conduct and Ethical development."

Instances of academic dishonesty will not be tolerated. Cheating on exams or plagiarism (presenting the work of another as your own, or the use of another person's ideas without giving proper credit) will result in a failing grade and sanctions by the University. For this class, all assignments are to be completed by the individual student unless otherwise specified. "If you would like to include in your assignment any material you have submitted, or plan to submit for another class, please note that SJSU's Academic Policy F06-1 requires approval of instructors."

Campus Policy in Compliance with the American Disabilities Act

If you need course adaptations or accommodations because of a disability, or if you need to make special arrangements in case the building must be evacuated, please make an appointment with me as soon as possible, or see me during office hours. Presidential Directive 97-03 requires that students with disabilities requesting accommodations must register with the AEC (Accessible Education Center) to establish a record of their disability.

Special accommodations for exams require ample notice to the testing office and must be submitted to the instructor well in advance of the exam date.