

PHIL90025 Issues in Bioethics

Credit Points:	12.5
Level:	9 (Graduate/Postgraduate)
Dates & Locations:	2016, Parkville This subject commences in the following study period/s: Semester 1, Parkville - Taught on campus.
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: 24 hours - 1 x 2 hour seminar each week for 12 weeks Total Time Commitment: 170 hours
Prerequisites:	Admission into the Master of Arts in Professional and Applied Ethics or MC-EMA Executive master of Arts or 344AB Master of Public Policy and Management or Masters by Coursework programme at the University of Melbourne with coordinator approval.
Corequisites:	None
Recommended Background Knowledge:	None
Non Allowed Subjects:	None
Core Participation Requirements:	<p><p>For the purposes of considering request for Reasonable Adjustments under the Disability Standards for Education (Cwth 2005), and Student Support and Engagement Policy, academic requirements for this subject are articulated in the Subject Overview, Learning Outcomes, Assessment and Generic Skills sections of this entry.</p> <p>It is University policy to take all reasonable steps to minimise the impact of disability upon academic study, and reasonable adjustments will be made to enhance a student's participation in the University's programs. Students who feel their disability may impact on meeting the requirements of this subject are encouraged to discuss this matter with a Faculty Student Adviser and Student Equity and Disability Support: http://services.unimelb.edu.au/disability</p></p>
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Subject Overview:	This subject explores ethical issues raised by current practices in medicine and by future developments in biotechnology and genetics. Among the issues that will be investigated are: controversial choices in medicine; abortion; euthanasia, assisted suicide and infanticide; in vitro fertilisation; preimplantation and prenatal genetic selection; life extension and cryonics; human enhancement; conscientious objection in the medical context; and human cloning.
Learning Outcomes:	<p>Students who successfully complete this subject will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # have developed a deeper philosophical and ethical understanding of a range of contentious issues in contemporary bioethics; # be motivated to draw connections between the philosophical and ethical dimensions of those issues and other issues in their personal and professional lives.
Assessment:	One 5,000 word essay due at the end of semester (100%) Hurdle requirement: Students must attend a minimum of 80% of classes in order to pass this subject.
Prescribed Texts:	A booklet of readings will be available at the beginning of the semester
Breadth Options:	This subject is not available as a breadth subject.
Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees

Links to further information:	http://graduate.arts.unimelb.edu.au/degrees/17-master-of-arts-professional-and-applied-ethics
Related Course(s):	Master of Arts (Professional and Applied Ethics) Postgraduate Diploma in Professional Ethics
Related Majors/Minors/ Specialisations:	100 Point Master of Arts (Professional and Applied Ethics) 200 points Master of Arts (Professional and Applied Ethics) Graduate Certificate in Arts (Advanced) - Professional Ethics Graduate Diploma in Arts (Advanced) - Professional Ethics