

COURSE DETAIL

MEDICAL ETHICS: MORAL HEALTH CARE DILEMMAS FROM A EUROPEAN PERSPECTIVE

Country

Netherlands

Host Institution

Maastricht University - Center for European Studies

Program(s)

Biological and Life Sciences, Maastricht, Psychology and Neuroscience, Maastricht

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Philosophy Health Sciences

UCEAP Course Number

111

UCEAP Course Suffix

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UCEAP Official Title

MEDICAL ETHICS: MORAL HEALTH CARE DILEMMAS FROM A EUROPEAN PERSPECTIVE

UCEAP Transcript Title

MEDICAL ETHICS

UCEAP Quarter Units

8.50

UCEAP Semester Units

5.70

Course Description

This version of the Medical Ethics course includes an Independent Study Project (ISP) done under the direction of the instructor. The minimum reading is between 20 and 25 articles from established academic periodicals/magazines. The ISP is 10-12 pages and counts for 1/3 of the overall grade for the course. This course provides students with an introductory investigation into the question of if, when, and how ethical considerations can or must play a role in the practice of the medical profession. It makes students aware of the fact that the health sciences are not operating in a moral vacuum and that a good knowledge of both older and recent ethical debates in this particular field is of the greatest significance. This course consists of three parts. The first part of the course gives an introduction to some fundamental European philosophical ideas of what it means to be a human being. This introduction is accompanied by an introduction to the most important ethical theories of the West. The second part of the course discusses a general framework of medical ethics as it could play a guiding role in the day-to-day practice of those who are members of the medical profession or related areas. The third part of the course discusses some of the most important and well-known ethical problems that can be found within the medical field. There are lectures, discussions, and the study of cases that reflect the most important problems and topics that make up the moral challenges of the medical discipline of today.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

PHI2002

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