Master of Arts in Bioethics

Spring 2022, Seven-Week session A:

ETH 501: Biomedical Ethics and Global Corruption
Corruption in government and typical daily life limits authentic and genuine moral and ethical foundations. There can be a commonality of corruption in governments, businesses, and populations globally. Additionally, there is the ethical quagmire of truth-telling and why it is so easy to lie. The truth can bring unpleasant and unknown dilemmas, and unfortunately, lying can be easy to do. The law that protects the vulnerable may not always co-exist with ethics. This course will look at the differences between law and ethics and determine the ways they work together.

ETH 504: Applying Key Moral Theories to Issues in Global Ethics
Ethics is thought to be universal, yet when one explores ethics, principles, and moral theories, all seem to be guided by global culture, race, and even language. What then are the reasons? In this course, we will be doing a deep dive into the quagmire of confusion related to the diversity of ethics and moral theories. One can begin to see how individuality, bias, culture, and more identify a lack of commonality. Ethics, moral theories, and religion are intertwined and sometimes conflict with each other when culture serves as a foundation. Is it possible to recognize, understand and accept the blurring of ethics and moral theories related to cultural individuality?

Spring 2022, Seven-Week session B:

ETH 502: Humanities, Ethics and Health: A Global Perspective
Humanities, ethics and health, all find themselves in different places globally, defined and designed by cultures and persons. In this course we will explore the cultural differences as they relate to the health of persons, how cultures globally interpret medical ethics and ethical principles and how healthcare and moral foundations are driven by cultures and bias.

ETH 503: Biomedical Ethics and the Law
Biomedical ethics and the law sometimes do not play nice with each other. There can be a significant disconnect between the two requiring a deep dive into the reasons why and how to mitigate the disconnect. The cultural relationship between the law and medical ethics sometimes carries a bias towards one or the other, and the law as it relates to the culturally specific well-being of individuals is at stake. In this course we will explore the reasons why there is a disconnect between biomedical ethics and the law and how it affects a person’s health.