

SCHEDULE FOR PHIL 164 (SUMMER 2010)

Unit 1: Introduction to Ethics			
Date	Topic	Reading	Lecture
June 8	Ethics, Ethical Relativism	<i>Bioethics</i> , Ch 1 (pp. 3-16)	Lecture 1: Chapter 1 (sections 1-4)
June 9	Ethics & Religion, Arguments	<i>Bioethics</i> , Ch 1 (pp. 17-28)	Lecture 1: Chapter 1 (sections 5-7)
June 10	Major Ethical Theories: Utilitarianism, Kantianism,	<i>Bioethics</i> , Chapter 2 (pp. 30-36)	Lecture 2: Chapter 2 (sections 1-3)
June 11	Major Ethical Theories: Social Contract, Virtue Ethics	<i>Bioethics</i> , Chapter 2 (pp. 38-47)	Lecture 2: Chapter 2 (sections 4-6)
June 11 – Unit 1 discussion post due by 9:00 pm.			
Unit 2: Paternalism			
Date	Topic	Reading	Lecture
June 14	Introduction to Paternalism/Autonomy	<i>Bioethics</i> , pp. 51-57	Lecture 3: Intro to Paternalism
June 15	Against Paternalism	Goldman, “The Refutation of Medical Paternalism” (in <i>Bioethics</i> , p. 73)	Lecture 4: Goldman on Paternalism
June 16	For Paternalism	Gawande, “Whose Body Is It Anyway?” (in <i>Bioethics</i> , p. 88)	Lecture 5: Gawande on Paternalism
June 16 – Unit 2 discussion post due by 9:00 pm.			
Unit 3: Abortion			
Date	Topic	Reading	Lecture
June 17 – Remember to do the journal entry about abortion!			
June 17	Introduction to Abortion	<i>Bioethics</i> , pp. 253-263	Lecture 6: Intro to Abortion
June 18	Against Abortion	Finnis, “Abortion and Health Care Ethics” (pdf available on course page)	Lecture 7: Finnis on Abortion
June 21	Defending Abortion	Tooley, “In Defense of Abortion and Infantacide” (in <i>Bioethics</i> , p. 316)	Lecture 8: Tooley on Abortion
June 22	Defending Abortion	Thompson, “A Defense of Abortion” (in <i>Bioethics</i> , p. 269)	Lecture 9: Thompson on Abortion
June 23	Against Abortion	Marquis, “Why Abortion is Immoral” (in <i>Bioethics</i> , p. 279)	Lecture 10: Marquis on Abortion
June 23 – Remember to do the journal entry about abortion!			
June 24	MIDTERM EXAM POSTED		
June 27	MIDTERM EXAM DUE		

Unit 4: Genetic Choices			
Date	Topic	Reading	Lecture
June 28	Introduction to Genetic Choice	<i>Bioethics</i> , pp. 460-476	Lecture 11: Intro to Genetic Choice
June 29	For Genetic Enhancement	Harris, "Is Gene Therapy a Form of Eugenics?" (in <i>Bioethics</i> , p. 503)	Lecture 12: Harris on Genetic Enhancement
June 30	Against Genetic Enhancement	Glannon, "Genetic Enhancement" (in <i>Bioethics</i> , p. 509)	Lecture 13: Glannon on Genetic Enhancement
June 30 – Unit 4 discussion post due by 9:00 pm.			
Unit 5: Euthanasia			
Date	Topic	Reading	Lecture
July 1	Introduction to Euthanasia	<i>Bioethics</i> , pp. 526-536	Lecture 14: Intro to Euthanasia
July 2	Active and Passive Euthanasia are the same	Rachels, "Active and Passive Euthanasia" (in <i>Bioethics</i> , p. 580)	Lecture 15: Rachels on Euthanasia
July 6	Active and Passive Euthanasia are different	Nesbitt, "Is Killing No Worse Than Letting Die?" (pdf available online)	Lecture 16: Nesbit on Euthanasia
July 6 – Unit 5 discussion post due by 9:00 pm.			
Unit 6: Health Care Allocation			
Date	Topic	Reading	Lecture
July 7	Introduction to Health Care Distribution	<i>Bioethics</i> , pp. 613-622	Lecture 17: Health Care Allocation
July 8	For Government QALY-based Rationing	Singer, "Why We Must Ration Healthcare" (pdf available online)	Lecture 18: Singer on Rationing
July 9	Against QALY-based Rationing	Harris, "QALYfying the Value of Life" (in <i>Bioethics</i> , p. 675)	Lecture 19: Harris on Rationing
July 9 – Unit 6 discussion post due by 9:00 pm.			
July 10	FINAL EXAM POSTED		
July 13	FINAL EXAM DUE FINAL PAPER DUE		