

2016 年度大学院共通科目 (01ZZ103 1 credit)

Applied Ethics

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Date : November 30 & December 2

Place : Natural Science Building A504

TWINS Registration Deadline: November 29, 2016

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I. Outline & Educational Objectives

As ethical fields for researches and medical treatments have developed in response to the needs in specific work places or social conditions/status, we have faced some discrepancies and dilemmas in applying ethical principles. Taking into account these problems, this course examines the development of individual issues in applied ethics, including human rights, animal rights/welfare, research ethics, industrial risk management, sustainable development and international environmental negotiations. These topics aim to provide a global environmental context for students to reexamine their good choice for the quality of life in modern society as global citizens. This course also aims to foster applicable ethical visions among students for their future both as persons and professional workers. The objective of this course is to help students form their own intellectual opinions that can be both practical and innovative for solving problems. The evaluation is assessed by one short research paper and in-class discussion/ participation.

II. Evaluation

Attendance	20%
In-class contribution	30%
Essay assignment	50%

III. Recommended readings

Tom L. Beauchamp and James F. Childress, *Principles of Biomedical Ethics*, 5th edition. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2001.

Ruth Chadwick, et al. eds., *Encyclopedia of Applied Ethics*, 2nd ed. Academic Press, 2012.

IV. Essay assignment: research paper

Place to submit: Assignment Submission Box in Natural Sciences Bldg. A209

Due : December 16, 2016: 5:00 pm


Place to pick up your marked papers : Natural Sciences Bldg. A209 Return Box (late January)

*Or email Matsui for picking up your paper at his office.

Your research paper must be written in English. The topic for your research is to be chosen by yourself from one of the contents discussed on November 30 or December 2. After choosing your topic, you need to articulate your analytical opinion in two pages (double space, 12 point “Times New Roman” or Century font). Your writing must be done in an essay format, including footnotes or endnotes and bibliography. In articulating your analytical opinion, please also take into account three sources or more (academic articles or book chapters) and properly cite them in the text. After submission, you will receive comments and marks, and the papers will be returned to you.

Recommendable Writing Style Manuals:

- *Chicago Manual of Style* (University of Tsukuba Central Library call#021.03-Ma48);
- MLA (Modern Language Association): http://www.mla.org/style_faq
- APA (American Psychological Association): <http://www.apastyle.org/electref.html>
- Council of Science Editors (CSE)'s *Scientific Styles and Format*.
- Or use internationally well-recognized academic journals.

 **Warning on Plagiarism:** Every academic writer must not plagiarize in writing assignment no matter how short the paper may be. If one takes the words, ideas, or research of another person(s) without proper citation as if these were his or her own, such a person is considered to have committed the act of plagiarism. **Plagiarism is intellectual theft and a clear violation of the code of ethics and behavior, which often result into a severe penalty.** Some students find web sites (e.g., Wikipedia) tempting and copy a large portion of it without citation. Please be aware such a work cannot be considered worth being part of admitting a credit in this course.

V. About In-Class Contribution

This course seeks to secure a safe learning environment, in which all students are welcome to express their opinions without worrying about making mistakes. You are expected to share your opinion with other students and learn from each other *with due respect*. Keeping this in mind as the basic underlying principle of this course, I occasionally ask you to express or write your opinion in progress about some issues that are salient in applied ethics.

VI. Schedule & Lecture Topics

November 30

9 : 00~9 : 30	Course Orientation (Matsui)
9 : 30~12 : 00	Bioethics, Human Rights, and the Environment (Matsui)
13 : 30~16 : 30	Research Ethics (Matsui)
16 : 30~17 : 00	Summary & Discussion (Matsui)

December 2

9 : 00~12 : 00	View: "The Cove" (Matsui) Animal Rights and Welfare (Matsui)
13 : 30~16 : 30	Industrial Risk Management (Ogami)
16 : 30~17 : 00	Summary & Discussion (Matsui)