About the program

The Monash Centre for Human Bioethics offers an intensive five day course in bioethics, which is in its 31st year in 2015! The Intensive Bioethics Course consists of seminars, forums and discussions led by leading experts in bioethics.

The course outlines general ethical frameworks and specific ethical principles underpinned by those frameworks. It then proceeds to focus on application of these frameworks and principles to major topics and questions in contemporary bioethics, including end of life care and decision making, clinical ethics/ethics committees, research on humans, reproductive ethics, health care resource allocation, prenatal genetic screening, public health ethics, ethics of organ transplantation, dual use research, human embryonic stem cell research and the commodification of human gametes.

Who should attend

The course is designed to provide an in-depth introduction to bioethical thinking and the ethical issues that emerge in related clinical and policy contexts.

It is designed for medical professionals (e.g. physicians, nurses, pharmacists, surgeons, medical researchers, palliative care workers, dentists, dieticians, embryologists, etc.), members of human research ethics committees, members of hospital/ institutional ethics review boards, hospital administrators, those involved or interested in public policy or advocacy work related to bioethics, those considering graduate work in bioethics or related fields, and those with a general interest in bioethics.

Program outcomes

Program participants will:

- gain in-depth understanding of the key ethical concepts and frameworks which inform bioethical analysis
- gain in-depth understanding of the major areas of focus in bioethics
- gain familiarity with the ethical questions raised by new developments in biotechnology, clinical practice, and research on humans
- apply theoretical frameworks and tools to complex practical issues in bioethics.

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## Program outline

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<td>Introduction to Ethical Frameworks Presentations and discussion</td>
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<td>Reproductive Ethics, Assisted Human Reproduction Technology, and Organ Shortage Problem Presentations and discussion</td>
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<td>4 Wednesday</td>
<td>Health care resource allocation, Public health ethics, Clinical Ethics, and Human research ethics: case studies Presentations and discussion</td>
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## Further Studies

Participants who complete the Intensive Bioethics Course may receive credit (upon meeting Monash entry requirements) towards a postgraduate coursework program in Bioethics at Monash University if they also complete a further short piece of written assessment to the required standard. For more information about the Master of Bioethics program please go to [http://future.arts.monash.edu/master-bioethics/](http://future.arts.monash.edu/master-bioethics/)

## Participant’s feedback

> All the lectures were excellent. The continuous interaction during the presentations made them much more interesting – the time just seemed to disappear.

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> Theory was presented at an appropriate level and I really liked the way the theory was the starting point & then applied examples used … especially appreciated nitty gritty of ethics in practice …

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## Date and Location

November 29 - December 4, 2015

CountryPlace Retreat, Dandenong Ranges (46 km from city of Melbourne) Victoria, Australia.

## Course Fee

$2,948 (AUD) + GST ($294.80)

Course fee Includes:

- 5 days accommodation
- all meals
- tuition
- course materials.

## Registration


## Cancellation policy

- 100% refund - up to four weeks before the Course
- 50% refund - up to two to four weeks before the Course
- No refund - less than two weeks before the Course.