

Course ID:	Course Title:	Wi	nter 2022
SPC 625	Professional Ethics	Prerequisite:	
		Credits:	3

Class Information		Instructor Information		Important Dates	
Delivery:	Online	Instructor:	Daranne Harris, MDiv, PhD Candidate	First Day of Class:	As Per Course Schedule
Days:	January 12 & 13 February 2 & 3 March 8 & 9	Email:	daranne.harris@ambrose.edu	Last Day to Add/Drop:	End of First Class Session – January 12, 2024
Time:	Fridays 6:30 pm – 9:30 pm Saturdays 9:00 am – 12:00 pm & 12:30 pm – 4:00 pm	Phone:	587-777-4916 (call or text)	Last Day to Withdraw:	End of In-Class Hours - March 9, 2024
Room:	N/A	Office:	597-777-4916		
Lab/ Tutorial:	N/A	Office Hours:	by appointment	Last Day to Apply for Extension:	March 9, 2024
Final Exam:	No Final Exam				

Important Dates and Information

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Course Description creation

Exploration of the ethical development of persons in the helping professions, particularly within the context of Christian ministry. We will explore professional ethics in situations involving informed consent, confidentiality, conflict of interest, honesty, whistleblowing, and public trust. The impact of accountability on individuals, employers, and professional ethical standards will be considered within the context of contemporary social issues.

This course will explore issues of professional ethics within a framework of the meaning of ethics and morality, considering ancient and more modern iterations of ethical theory.

Note: ethical business practice is not included in this course.

Expected Learning Outcomes

The learning goals of this course are in alignment with the four key goals of the Seminary. Through engagement in this course, students will:

- Understand how their beliefs influence their understanding of professional ethics and why that matters in a helping profession
- Be centred in a life of love of neighbour
- Be empowered to serve effectively in the place where their deep joy and the world's deep need meet
- Be equipped for reflective engagement in God's work

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Evaluate critically central issues in professional ethics
- Critically analyze professional ethical standards/codes within the context of select contemporary social issues
- Critically analyze ethical decision-making models and apply to practical situations
- Recognize appropriate boundaries in a professional relationship
- Identify the issues related to informed consent, confidentiality, client rights, conflict of interest, honesty, whistleblowing and public trust
- Articulate their understanding of what it means to be an ethical practitioner in the helping professions (e.g., as a chaplain)

Required and Recommended Textbooks and Readings

Students are advised to read broadly for this course. The quantity that you need to read depends on how well read you are in this area and if you have done other ethics courses. If this is your first ethics course, then you may need to read more to meet the outcomes for a graduate level course. *The required articles can be located on the course Moodle site or as e-books through the Ambrose Library.*

Note the library's information page to assist remote learning: https://ambrose.beta.libguides.com/usingthelibrary

Required

Allen, B. & Odlum F. (2019, Oct. 25). *Regina pastor expelled over "abuse of power", sexually explicit texts.* CBC News. Retrieved from https://www.cbc.ca/

Beauchamp, T. (2010a). The four principles approach to health care ethics (Chapter 3). *Standing on Principles: Collected Essays* (pp. 35-49). New York: Oxford University Press. (Access online through Ambrose Library)

Beauchamp, T. (2010b). Informed consent: Its history and meaning. (Chapter 4). *Standing on Principles: Collected Essays* (pp. 50-78). New York: Oxford University Press. (Access online through Ambrose Library)

Beauchamp, T. (2010c). When hastened death is neither killing nor letting die (Chapter 7). *Standing on Principles: Collected Essays* (pp. 120-131). New York: Oxford University Press. (Access online through Ambrose Library)

Canadian Association for Spiritual Care. (2016, Dec. a). *Guidelines for spiritual care practitioners and psycho-spiritual therapists in responding to inquiries regarding medical assistance in dying (MAID)*. Oakville, ON: Author. (Moodle)

Carey, L., Willis, M., Krikheli, L., & O'Brien, A. (2015). Religion, health and confidentiality: An exploratory review of the role of chaplains. *Journal of Religion and Health*, *54*(2), 676-692.

Chochinov, H. & Frazee, C. (2016). Finding a balance: Canada's law on medical assistance in dying. *The Lancet*, *399* (10044), 543-545.

Craine, P. (2023). Questioning the Ethics of Assisted Dying for the Mentally III. *Canadian Journal of Bioethics, 6*(3-4), 115–127.

Frangou, C. (2017, April 7). Life and how to leave it: The last day in the life of an ordinary man who decided, he wanted to die. *Calgary Herald: Swerve*. Retrieved at http://calgaryherald.com/life/swerve/life-and-how-to-leave-it-the-last-day-in-the-life-of-an-ordinary-man-who-decided-he-wanted-to-die/

Gallagher, A (2010). Whistleblowing: what influences nurses' decisions on whether to report poor practice? *Nursing Times*. Retrieved from: www.nursingtimes.net/clinical-archive/leadership/whistleblowing-what-influences-nurses-decisions-on-whether-to-report-poor-practice-01-02-2010/

Hristova, B. (2024). Ontario megachurch's former victim's advocate concerned after role goes to person with ties to denomination. *CBC News*. Retrieved at: https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/hamilton/meeting-house-megachurch-complaints-1.7074559

Jackson, J. (1991). Telling the truth. *Journal of Medical Ethics*, 17, 5-9. http://dx.doi.org/10.1136/jme.17.1.5 Retrieved at: http://jme.bmj.com

Justice, J. & Garland, D. (2010). Dual relationships in congregational practice: Ethical guidelines for congregational social workers and pastors. *Social Work and Christianity*, *37* (4), 437-445.

Martin, C., Vaught, Wayne., and Solomon, R.C. (2017). *Ethics Across the Professions* (2nd Ed).New York: Oxford University. Press. ISBN 978-0-19029870-8 (On hold in library & excerpts from the 2010 edition in Moodle)

Matthews, Pia. (2018). *Ethical Questions in Healthcare Chaplaincy*. London: Jessica Kingsley Publishers. ISBN: 978-1-78592-421-7 (Access online via Ambrose Library)

McManus, R.M. (Ed), Ward, S. J. & Perry, A.K (2018) *Ethical Leadership –a primer*. Cheltenham UK: Elgar Publishers Ltd. ISBN: 978-1-78811-037-2 (On hold in library)

Mohrmann, M. (2008). Ethical grounding for a profession of hospital chaplaincy. *Hastings Centre Report.* 38(6), 18-23.

Mount, B., Boston, P., & Cohen, S.R. (2007). Healing connections: On moving from suffering to a sense of well-being. *Journal of Pain and Symptom Management*, 33(4), 372-388.

Meyers, C. (2018). The Professional Ethics Toolkit. Oxford: Wiley Blackwell. ISBN: 978-1-119-04515-1 (On hold in library)

Robinson, S. (2012). *Spirituality, Ethics and Care.* London: Jessica Kingsley Publishers. ISBN: 978 -1-84310 -489 -8 (Access online via Ambrose Library)

Sinclair, S. (2021). Compassion: Patients Can Tell the Difference - Can You? Retrieved from: https://www.drshanesinclair.com/blog/sympathy-empathy-and-compassion-patients-can-tell-the-difference-can-you

Swift, C., Cobb, M. & Todd, A. (Eds). (2016). *A Handbook of Chaplaincy Studies* – understanding Spiritual Care in Public Places. Abingdon: Routledge Publishing. ISBN: 978-1-4724-3406-7 See Chapter 7 'Chaplaincy and Ethics': What does it Mean to be a Good Chaplain: Peter Sedgwick. Pages 97 -108. (On hold in library & access online via Ambrose Library)

Talone, P. (2018). Ethics – Moral Response in the Face of Suffering. *Health Progress*. Retrieved from: https://www.chausa.org/publications/health-progress/article/july-august-2018/ethics---moral-response-in-the-face-of-suffering

Triviño-Caballero, R., Parra Jounou, I., Roldán Gómez, I. & López de la Vieja, T. (2023). Causes for Conscientious Objection in Medical Aid in Dying: A Scoping Review. *Canadian Journal of Bioethics 6*(3-4), 102–114. https://doi.org/10.7202/1108007ar

Vardy, P. & Vardy, C. (2012). *Ethics Matters*. London: SCM Press. ISBN: 978-0-334-04391-1 (Access online via Ambrose Library)

Recommended:

Baggini, J. and Fosl, P.S. (2007). *The Ethics Toolkit* –A Compendium of Ethical Concepts and Methods. Oxford: Blackwell Publishing. ISBN: 978-1-4051-3231-2

Beauchamp, T. & Childress, J. (2001). *Principles of biomedical ethics* (5th ed.). New York: Oxford University Press. ISBN: 0-19-514332-9

Blackburn, S., (2001). *Ethics* – A very Short Introduction. Oxford: Oxford University Press. ISBN: 0-19-280442 -1 Carlson, B., Simopolous, N., Goy, E., Jackson, A., & Ganzini, L. (2005). Oregon hospice chaplains' experiences with patients requesting physician-assisted suicide. *Journal of Palliative Medicine*, 8(6), 1160-1166.

Cave, P., (2017) Ethics - Beginners Guide. London: One-World Publications. ISBN: 978 -1-78074-576 -3

Corey, G., Schneider Corey, M., Corey, C. & Callanan, P. (2015). *Issues and ethics in the helping professions* (9th ed.). Belmont, CA: Brooks/Cole. ISBN: 13:978-1-305-38945-8

Dunn, M & Hope, T. (2018). *Medical Ethics - A very Short Introduction* (2nd ed). Oxford: Oxford University Press. ISBN: 978-0-19881560-0

Goy, E., Carlson, B., Simopoulos, N., Jackson, A., & Ganzini, L. (2006). Determinants of Oregon hospice Chaplains' views on physician-assisted suicide. *Journal of Palliative Care*, 22(2), 83 – 90.

Martin, C., Vaught, W., & Solomon, R. (2017). *Ethics across the professions: A reader for professional ethics* (2nd ed.). New York: Oxford University Press. ISBN: 9780190298708 - 9

Miller, C B. (2018) *The Character Gap.* Oxford: Oxford University Press. ISBN: 978-0-19-750380-5 Oakley, O and Cocking, D. (2001). *Virtue Ethics and Professional Roles*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. ISBN: 0-521-02729-2

Panza, C and Potthast, A. (2010) Ethics For Dummies. Indianapolis: Wiley. ISBN: 987-0-470-59171-0

Reitz, M. & Higgins, J. (2019). *Speak Up*: say what needs to be said and hear what needs to be heard. London: FT Publishing/Pearson. ISBN:978 -1-292-26301 -4

Strom-Gottfried, K. (2016). *Straight talk about professional ethics* (2nd ed.). New York: Oxford University Press. ISBN:978-0-190615-47-5

Taylor, C. (2012). Moralism: A Study of a Vice. Durham: Acumen. ISBN: 978-1 -84465-494-9

Young, R. (2007). Chapter 7: Professional integrity and voluntary medically assisted death. *Medically assisted death*. (pp. 113 – 136). Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Copies of the Code of Ethics from the following organizations:

- Canadian Association of Spiritual Care https://www.spiritualcare.ca/ethics.html
- Canadian Nurses Association (on Moodle)
- Canadian Medical Association
 https://policybase.cma.ca/link/policy13937?_gl=1*voutmm*_ga*OTcwNjMxNzk5LjE3MDQ3NDQwOTQ.*_ga_9 1NZ7HZZ51*MTcwNDc0NDA5NC4xLjAuMTcwNDc0NDA5Ni41OC4wLjA.#_ga=2.205936411.921492124.17047440 95-970631799.1704744094>
- Canadian Psychological Association http://www.cpa.ca/docs/File/Ethics/CPA_Code_2017_4thEd.pdf
- Canadian Association of Social Workers < https://www.casw-acts.ca/en/51-standards-practice-and-ethics>
- Christian and Missionary Alliance in Canada (on Moodle)

Course Schedule

Class #1A – January 12 afternoon	
Topics:	READINGS
Course Introduction & Syllabus Review	
Overview of ethics, morality & ethical theories Objectives: To develop an introductory understanding of: Normative ethics	Vardy, P. & Vardy, C. (2012). Ethics Matters: Definitions, pages X111 –X1V Normative Ethics, pages 27 -28 Meta Ethics, pages 1-17 Natural Law, pages 33 -61
Meta ethicsDescriptive ethics	Natural Law and Virtue ethics, pages 62 -78 Utilitarianism, pages 62 -68
 Practical & applied ethics Deontological ethics Teleological ethics Professional ethics Virtue theory 	McManus, Ward, & Perry (2018). Ethical Leadership: pages 57 -83. Chapter 3 Utilitarianism Chapter 4 Virtue Ethics
Natural Law (theory)Utilitarianism (theory)	Meyers, C. (2018). <i>The Professional Ethics Toolkit</i> . 1.2 Defining 'Professional' pages 23 – 32
	Martin, Vaught, & Solomon (2017). Ethics Across the Professions: 'What is it to be a Professional?' pages 1-2

'Professional Virtue' pages 45-48 (optional)
'Professionalism and Nursing' page 55
'How to be Ethical – Introduction' pages 59-61
John Stuart Mill, 'Utilitarianism' pages 73-76

Robinson, S. (2012). *Spirituality, Ethics, and Care* Ethics, Religion & Spirituality pages 13-31

https://plato.stanford.edu/entries/aristotle-ethics/

https://plato.stanford.edu/entries/ethics-virtue/

https://plato.stanford.edu/entries/natural-law-ethics/

https://plato.stanford.edu/entries/consequentialism/

https://plato.stanford.edu/entries/utilitarianism-history/

ASSIGNMENTS

Prepare to discuss the following in class:

- 1. What do we mean by the following words: 'professional', 'ethics', and 'morality'?
- 2. How do you think most people make moral choices? What models and criteria or guidelines do they use?
- 3. How do you generally make ethical professional choices? What models and criteria or guidelines do you use?

Post a question arising from your readings in the discussion forum on the Moodle site and engage with other students' questions

Ethics Journal:

Begin a journal called: *Journey into Ethics and Professional Ethics* (on your computer please).

Makes sure it includes the following:

- a) Your initial thoughts about what ethical models you use to make ethical decisions in your personal and professional life. (We will revisit these responses at the end of the course.)
- b) Basic ethical definitions
- c) Half-page summaries of the different ethical theories we cover including 2-column analysis of each theory's strengths and weaknesses
- d) Questions these theories raise in the context of your life and profession.
- e) How and where you might apply some of the ideas these theories propose in your life and professional work.

Class #1B - January 13 morning

Topics

Cultural and Moral Relativism

Objectives:

 To explore the dimensions of reasoning through theories of relativism, situation ethics (Fletcher) & categorical imperative (Kant)

READINGS

McManus, Ward, & Perry (2018). Ethical Leadership:

Chapter 2 Kantianism

Chapter 7 Cultural Relativism.

Vardy & Vardy (2012). Ethics Matters:

Situation Ethics, pages 120-131.

Relativism, pages 17-26

Kantian Ethics, pages 132 -162

https://www.britannica.com/topic/situation-ethics

https://www.newworldencyclopedia.org/entry/Situational Ethics

https://plato.stanford.edu/entries/relativism/

https://plato.stanford.edu/entries/kant/

ASSIGNMENTS

Post a question arising from your readings in the discussion forum on the Moodle site and engage with other students' questions

Ethics Journal:

Continue to add to your journal:

- a) Basic ethical definitions
- b) Half-page summaries of the different ethical theories we cover including 2-column analysis of each theory's strengths and weaknesses
- c) Questions these theories raise in the context of your life and profession.
- d) How and where you might apply some of the ideas these theories propose in your life and professional work.
- e) What examples of these theories have you seen in news programs, newspapers, movies, TV shows, books add links or clippings where available

Class #1C – January 13 afternoon

Topics:

Practical and Applied Ethics

Objectives:

 To understand how principles of autonomy, justice, beneficence, and nonMartin, Vaught, and Solomon (2017). *Ethics Across the Professions: A reader for professional ethics*

Michael Davis, 'Professional Responsibility: Just Following the Rules?' pages 12-19

Beauchamp, T. (2010a). The four principles approach to health care ethics (Chapter 3). Standing on Principles:

maleficence inform an ethical framework for healthcare professionals

 To familiarize oneself with a professional code of ethics relevant to one's work Collected Essays (pp. 35-49). New York: Oxford University Press.

Introduction to Medical Ethics -

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gDNsqFuXaXs

Beauchamp, T. (2010b). Standing on Principles: Collected Essays Informed consent: Its history and meaning - Chapter 4, pages 50-78

Martin, Vaught, & Solomon (2017). *Ethics Across the Professions: A reader for professional ethics*

Meisel & Kuczewski, 'Legal and ethical myths about informed consent' pages 145-151

Informed Consent: An Ethical Obligation or Legal Compulsion? https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2840885/

What is Informed Consent?

https://www.cancer.org/treatment/treatments-and-side-effects/planning-managing/informed-consent/what-is-informed-consent.html

Matthews, Pia. (2018). Ethical Questions in Healthcare Chaplaincy:

Chapter 3: Autonomy, Consent, Refusing Treatment and Boundaries

Chapter 4: Ethics and the Non-Autonomous Patient

Canadian Association for Spiritual Care - Code of Ethics https://www.spiritualcare.ca/ethics.html

National Association of Catholic Chaplains - Code of Ethics https://www.nacc.org/docs/certification/Code%20of%20Ethics%20f or%20Spiritual%20Care%20Professionals%20(2021-2027).pdf

ASSIGNMENTS

Post a question arising from your readings in the discussion forum on the Moodle site and engage with other students' questions

Ethics Journal:

Continue to add to your journal:

a) Create a journal entry and reflect on "Autonomy and a person's right to choose to die." Include how you think one of the theories we have covered would approach such an issue.

Reflection paper #1 - Reflect on Pia Matthew's work on 'personal autonomy' and ethical theories – 750 to 1000 words. Submit by 11:59pm on January 22, 2024. Class #2A – February 2 afternoon In-Class Quiz: Ethical Foundations and READINGS Theories Reitz & Higgins (2019). Speak Up: say what needs to be said and hear **Topics:** what needs to be heard. Conflict of Interest & Whistleblowing OR listen to one of her talks: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PrejM2pF1Kk Objectives: To identify the potential for conflicts of McDonald, M. Ethics and Conflict of Interest. Retrieved from: https://ethics.ubc.ca/peoplemcdonaldconflict-htm/ interest in a professional setting To understand the nature of Martin, Vaught, & Solomon (2017). Ethics Across the Professions: A whistleblowing in a professional setting reader for professional ethics Sissela Bok, 'Whistleblowing and Professional Responsibility' pages 306-311 Michael Davis, 'Some Paradoxes of Whistleblowing' pages 311-317 Ronald Duska, 'Whistleblowing and Employee Loyalty' pages 317-321 Allen & Odlum (2019). Regina pastor expelled over "abuse of power", sexually explicit texts. CBC News. Retrieved from https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/saskatchewan/christian-andmissionary-alliance-regina-pastor-expelled-1.5334517 Hristova, B. (2024). Ontario megachurch's former victim's advocate concerned after role goes to person with ties to denomination. CBC News. Retrieved at: https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/hamilton/meeting-housemegachurch-complaints-1.7074559 Gallagher, A (2010). Whistleblowing: what influences nurses' decisions on whether to report poor practice? Nursing Times. www.nursingtimes.net/clinical-archive/leadership/whistleblowingwhat-influences-nurses-decisions-on-whether-to-report-poorpractice-01-02-2010/ **ASSIGNMENTS**

Post a question arising from your readings in the discussion forum on the Moodle site and engage with other students' questions

Ethics Journal:

a) Create a journal entry and reflect on Megan Reitz' TRUTH Framework and your own journey of speaking up (500-750 words).

Reflection paper #2 - Reflect on the issues, challenges and ethics of 'whistleblowing' – 750 to 1000 words. Be sure to include how various ethical theories may or may not be of use in this situation. Submit by 11:59pm on February 12, 2024.

Class #2B - February 3 morning

Topics:

Privacy and Confidentiality: questions of documentation (what must be included and cannot be included); importance of documentation for potential legal contexts

Objectives:

- To understand the role of documentation in care
- To understand professional and legal obligations related to documentation

READINGS

Matthews, Pia. (2018). *Ethical Questions in Healthcare Chaplaincy*. Chapter 5 - Confidentiality, Privacy, Data Protection, Truth Telling and Trust

Carey, L., Willis, M., Krikheli, L., & O'Brien, A. (2015). Religion, health and confidentiality: An exploratory review of the role of chaplains. *Journal of Religion and Health*, *54*(2), 676-692.

ASSIGNMENTS

Post a question arising from your readings in the discussion forum on the Moodle site and engage with other students' questions

Ethics Journal:

a) Create a journal entry to reflect on your own practice as it relates to the privacy and confidentiality of those you relate to in your professional role (500-750 words).

Class #2C - February 3 afternoon

Topics:

Professional and Emotional Boundaries

Objectives:

- To understand and discern professional and emotional boundaries related to dual relationships, transference, truth-telling, trust, conflict, diversity and social media
- To understand the difference between a boundary crossing and a boundary violation

READINGS

Martin, W. Vaught & R. Solomon. *Ethics across the professions:* A reader for professional ethics

Bok, S. - Lying and lies to the sick and dying (pp. 200—211)

Jackson, J. (1991). Telling the truth. *Journal of Medical Ethics, 17*, 5-9.

Justice, J. & Garland, D. (2010). Dual relationships in congregational practice: Ethical guidelines for congregational social workers and pastors. *Social Work and Christianity*, *37* (4), 437-445.

What is transference?

https://www.healthline.com/health/mental-health/transference#takeaway

ambrose.edu

The Psychoanalytic Theory of Transference

https://www.verywellmind.com/transference-2671660

Professional Boundaries for Therapeutic Relationships --

https://www.crnm.mb.ca/uploads/document/document_file_99.pdf?t=1550609946

CNPS InfoLAW: Social Media - https://cnps.ca/article/social-media/

ASSIGNMENTS

Post a question arising from your readings in the discussion forum on the Moodle site and engage with other students' questions

Ethics Journal:

Reflect on:

- a) What are do you understand by psychotherapeutic transference and counter transference?
- b) What would you do if you felt that professional/personal boundaries were becoming 'blurred'?
- c) What difference does ethics make in how we relate to patients, public and other members of staff?
- d) Is it possible to be friends with those you lead?
- e) What are the ethical dangers inherent for a professional and an institution in its use of social media?

Class #3A - March 8 afternoon

Topics:

Self-determination and decision-making in the context of MAiD

Objectives:

 To explore how one negotiates care when you disagree with the decision a carereceiver is making

READINGS

Martin, Vaught, & Solomon (2017). *Ethics Across the Professions*:

David Orentlicher and Lois Snyder, 'Can Assisted Suicide be Regulated?' pages 475-480

Frangou, C. (2017, April 7). Life and how to leave it: The last day in the life of an ordinary man who decided he wanted to die. Calgary Herald: Swerve. Retrieved at

http://calgaryherald.com/life/swerve/life-and-how-to-leave-it-the-last-day-in-the-life-of-an-ordinary-man-who-decided-he-wanted-to-die

Beauchamp (2010c) When hastened death is neither killing nor letting die (Chapter 7). *Standing on Principles: Collected Essays* (pp. 120-131).

Canadian Association for Spiritual Care. (2016, Dec. a). Guidelines for spiritual care practitioners and psycho-spiritual therapists in

responding to inquiries regarding medical assistance in dying (MAID). Oakville, ON (on Moodle)

Chochinov & Frazee (2016). Finding a balance: Canada's law on medical assistance in dying. *The Lancet, 399*(10044), 543-545.

Mount, Boston, & Cohen (2007). Healing connections: On moving from suffering to a sense of well-being. *Journal of Pain and Symptom Management*, 33(4), 372-388.

Craine, P. (2023). Questioning the Ethics of Assisted Dying for the Mentally III. *Canadian Journal of Bioethics*, *6*(3-4), 115–127.

Triviño-Caballero, R. et al. (2023). Causes for Conscientious Objection in Medical Aid in Dying: A Scoping Review. *Canadian Journal of Bioethics* 6(3-4), 102–114.

ASSIGNMENTS

Post a question arising from your readings in the discussion forum on the Moodle site and engage with other students' questions

Reflection paper #3 - Reflect on the ethical issues related to disagreements concerning care between professionals and caregivers – 750 to 1000 words. Be sure to include how various ethical theories may or may not be of use in this situation. Submit by 11:59pm on March 18, 2024.

Class #3B – March 9 morning

Topics:

Sympathy, Empathy, and Compassion

Objectives:

- To distinguish responses to suffering
- To understand empathic entanglement and projection
- To explore the ethical dimensions of suffering

READINGS

Sinclair, S. (2021). Compassion: Patients Can Tell the Difference - Can You? Retrieved from:

https://www.drshanesinclair.com/blog/sympathy-empathy-and-compassion-patients-can-tell-the-difference-can-you

Talone, P. (2018). Ethics – Moral Response in the Face of Suffering. *Health Progress*. Retrieved from:

https://www.chausa.org/publications/health-progress/article/julyaugust-2018/ethics---moral-response-in-the-face-of-suffering

ASSIGNMENTS

Post a question arising from your readings in the discussion forum on the Moodle site and engage with other students' questions

Ethics Journal:

	a) Create a journal entry to reflect on patients' desire for
	compassion that alleviates suffering(500-750 words).
Class #3C – March 9 afternoon	
Topics:	READINGS
Creating a professional culture of ethical and	
compassionate leadership	Mohrmann, M. (2008). Ethical grounding for a profession of hospital
	chaplaincy. Hastings Centre Report. 38(6), 18-23.
Ethical Habits & Summary	
	Swift, Cobb, & Todd (2016). A Handbook of Chaplaincy Studies –
Objectives:	understanding Spiritual Care in Public Places.
 To explore adopting ethical leadership 	Sedgwick, P - 'Chaplaincy and Ethics': What does it Mean to
 To integrate habits in practice 	be a Good Chaplain, pages 97 -108
	<u>ASSIGNMENTS</u>
	Post a question arising from your readings in the discussion forum
	on the Moodle site and engage with other students' questions
	Ethics Journal:
	a) Reflect on this question – Is it possible always to combine
	compassion and ethics as a team leader?
	b) Reflect on key learnings you are taking forward from this
	course and areas where you have further curiosity. How has
	your understanding of professional ethics evolved in the last
	8 weeks? – 500-1000 words.

Course Requirements and Evaluation:

The following six (6) course elements are required to receive a passing grade – that is, they are not optional. The weighting of assignments is as follows:

<u>2024.</u>

Course Activity	Weight
Attendance and Participation	25
Reflective Paper #1	10
Reflective Paper #2	15
Reflective Paper #3	10
In-Class Quiz: Ethical Foundations and Theories	10
Professional Ethics Journal	30
Total	100

Submit your *Professional Ethics Journal* by 11:59pm on April 8,

Attendance and Participation – 25%

This course activity will relate to participation in class discussion & Moodle discussion exploring the topics outlined. The best learning opportunities are created when we are committed to being present and engaged in the learning activities. Engagement means being prepared to enter discussions about readings and your perspectives on the topics and pose relevant questions that advance understanding of the topic.

Attendance and Participation Assessment Rubric /60 (maximum of 5 points/session x 12 sessions)

Points	Evidence	
5	Contributions are timely, relevant, self-initiated, remarks are offered on all discussions, there is no	
	attempt to dominate the conversation	
3-4	Student generally keeps up with the discussion, needs occasional prompting to contribute, participates in	
	some discussions more than others	
2	Participation is irregular, doesn't engage in all topics, offers short, perfunctory remarks when prompted,	
	takes limited initiative	
0-1	Rarely participates freely, makes short, irrelevant remarks, or attempts to dominate the conversation	

Reflective Paper #1 – 10% - due: January 22, 2024 – submit via Moodle in Word format

Grading Rubric/10

Points	Evidence
8-10	Shows a clear grasp of Pia Mathews' content on issues relating to Autonomy, Consent, Refusing Treatment and Boundaries. Has been able to summarise succinctly the relevant points of the argument. Has been able to pick out key terms and definitions. Has shown an analytical ability in pointing out deficiencies in Matthews' argument.
5-7	Shows evidence of understanding the relevance of most of concepts, provides a basic level of support for opinions.
2-4	Has mostly shallow grasp of how to read summaries and analyze the content of Matthew's chapters.
0-1	Shows no significant understanding of how to read summaries and analyze the content of Matthew's chapters.

Reflective Paper #2 - 15% - due: February 12, 2024 - submit via Moodle in Word format

Gradina Rubric/100

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12	APA Style-The paper follows APA style in the presentation and organization of the paper	
8	Identify a primary ethical issue that appears in both stories and state why the topic is important	
24	Demonstrate knowledge of relevant ethical principles and standards in addressing the topic	
12	Appraise how the ethical dilemma is resolved in both sources (it will usually involve conflict between	
	principles or between interests of different parties)	
28	Demonstrate how you would resolve the dilemma (e.g., how you apply your knowledge and ethical	
	decision-making skills)	
16	Describe how your personal values interface with the professional values and whether this presents	
	any dissonance or personal conflict for you. What changes in the dilemma described could have made	
	it easier, or more difficult, for you personally?	
100	Total	

Reflective Paper #3 – 10% - due: March 18, 2024 – submit via Moodle in Word format

Grading Rubric/100

12	APA Style-The paper follows APA style in the presentation and organization of the paper	
8	Identify a primary ethical issue that appears in both stories and state why the topic is important	

24	Demonstrate knowledge of relevant ethical principles and standards in addressing the topic
12	Appraise how the ethical dilemma is resolved in both sources (it will usually involve conflict between principles or between interests of different parties)
28	Demonstrate how you would resolve the dilemma (e.g., how you apply your knowledge and ethical decision-making skills)
16	Describe how your personal values interface with the professional values and whether this presents any dissonance or personal conflict for you. What changes in the dilemma described could have made it easier, or more difficult, for you personally?
100	Total

In-Class Quiz: Ethical Foundations and Theories – 10% - in class – February 1, 2024

<u>Professional Ethics Journal/portfolio – 30% - due: April 8, 2024 – submit via Moodle in Word format</u> Grading Rubric/100

10	Shows organization of material in terms of contents page, index etc. Includes material from each unit.	
10	Includes all key words/terms and accurate technical definitions of ethical language. Shows evidence of	
	ability to explain in own words the content and meaning of ethical language.	
40	Includes summaries of each ethical theory, shows evidence of ability to understand the core ideas, and	
	demonstrates evidence of analysis of the strengths and weakness of each theory. Shows evidence	
	of reflective thought in terms of the applicability of each theory to student's own professional context.	
	Gives examples of situation within their professional life where might apply a particular ethical model.	
15	Includes and reflects upon the differences between 'sympathy', 'empathy' and 'compassion'. Includes	
	evidence of understanding about 'empathetic entanglement', 'transference' and 'projection'. Shows an	
	ability to consider the ethical implications of professional boundaries.	
25	Shows evidence of ability to understand and apply ethical approaches in various contexts. Shows evidence	
	of reflection and analysis of wider reading. Includes a reading log for each topic. Shows evidence of	
	observation and analysis of ethical issues within their own context, in movies, TV and news media.	
	Concludes with reflection on how their personal ethical and professional ethical thinking has change over	
	the duration of the course, and how they might apply their 'new' ethical thinking to their professional	
	context.	
100	Total	

Grade Summary:

Grade	Interpretation	Grade Points
A+ 95-100	Mastery: Complete Understanding of Subject Matter	4.00
A 90-94		4.00
A-85-89		3.70
B+ 80-84	Proficient: Well-Developed Understanding of Subject Matter	3.30
B 75-79		3.00
B-70-74		2.70
C+ 65-69	Basic: Developing Understanding of Subject Matter	2.30
C 60-64		2.00
C- 56-59		1.70
D+ 51-55	Minimal Pass: Limited Understanding of Subject	1.30
D		1.0

F	Failure: Failure to Meet Course Requirements	0.00
Р	Pass	No Grade Points

Because of the nature of the Alpha 4.00 system, there can be no uniform University-wide conversion scale. The relationship between raw scores (e.g. percentages) and the resultant letter grade will depend on the nature of the course and the instructor's assessment of the level of each class, compared to similar classes taught previously.

Please note that final grades will be available on student registration system. Printed grade sheets are not mailed out.

Ambrose University Important Policies & Procedures:

Registration

Registration is the process of selecting and enrolling in classes for upcoming semesters. Only students who are registered will be permitted to attend class and receive a grade for the course. You are responsible for ensuring that the courses you take are appropriate for your program, that they do not have any scheduling conflicts, that they have the necessary prerequisites and that they meet all degree requirements.

Withdrawal From A Course

Prior to the Add/Drop deadline: through the student registration system whereby course(s) will be removed with no academic or financial penalty. After the Add/Drop deadline and until the Withdrawal deadline: through submission of the 'Withdrawal from Course' form whereby course(s) will remain on the permanent academic record/transcript with the symbol 'W'. (See ambrose.edu/registrar/request-forms.) Students who withdraw from more than 30 credits attempted at Ambrose University will be required to withdraw from their program. Students considering withdrawing from courses are encouraged to discuss with their Faculty Advisor and/or the Office of the Registrar questions relating to their withdrawal decision specifically relating to financial assistance, study permit requirements, prerequisites for subsequent courses, readmission, and/or graduation timeline. Students who do not formally withdraw from a course are still considered registered in the course, even if they are no longer attending classes. In this case, students will be assigned a grade based on coursework completed as per the course syllabus and are responsible to pay the tuition and fees assessed for the course. Under extenuating circumstances, students may request from the Office of the Registrar a course(s) withdrawal after the Withdrawal deadline and until the last day of classes. Extenuating circumstances typically consider situations such as medical emergencies, compassionate grounds, or unforeseen conditions/situations beyond the students' control that arise after the start of the semester and are considered on a case-by-case basis. Supporting documentation from a physician or Registered Health Professional must accompany this request.

Coursework Extensions

Should a request for a time extension on coursework exceed the end of the term, a *Coursework Extension Application* must be completed and submitted to the Office of the Registrar. The extension (if granted) will be recorded on the student record. Extensions are granted at the discretion of the instructor and registrar. If granted, time extensions do not excuse you from a final examination where one has been scheduled for the course. More conditions apply.

Exam Scheduling

Students who find a conflict in their exam schedule must submit a *Revised Final Exam Time Application* to the Office of the Registrar by the deadline noted in the Academic Calendar. Requests will be considered for the following reasons only: 1) the scheduled final examination slot conflicts with another exam; or 2) the scheduled final examination slot results in three consecutive examination periods. Travel is not considered a valid excuse for re-scheduling or missing a final exam.

Communication

Your Ambrose email account is the University's primary and official mode of communication with you. Information delivered to your Ambrose email is considered official notification. Ambrose University is not responsible for your failure to receive important information delivered to your Ambrose email.

Lecture Recording

The recording of lectures or any other classroom academic activity, other than an audio recording as an accommodation, is prohibited except at the discretion of the instructor. Any use other than that agreed upon with the instructor constitutes academic misconduct and may result in suspension or expulsion. Permission to allow a lecture recording is not a transfer of any copyrights, so such recordings may be used only for individual or group study with other students enrolled in the same class and may not be reproduced, transferred, distributed or displayed in any public or commercial manner. Student must destroy recordings in any, and all formats at the end of the semester in which they are enrolled in the class. All students recording lectures, must sign the Permission Form to audio record lectures which is available through the Office of the Registrar.

Standards of Behaviour in the Classroom Setting

Learning is an active and interactive process, a joint venture between student and instructor and between student and student. Some topics covered within a class may lead to strong reactions and opinions. It is important that Students understand that they are entitled to hold contradictory beliefs and that they should be encouraged to engage with these topics in a critical manner. Committing to this type of "active learning" significantly increases the learning experience for both teacher and student, and reflects the Christian imperative to pursue truth, which lies at the heart of the Ambrose educational experience. However, active discussion of controversial topics will be undertaken with respect and empathy, which are the foundations of civil discourse in the Classroom Setting. Primary responsibility for managing the classroom rests with the instructor. The instructor may direct a student to leave the class if the student engages in any behaviour that disrupts the classroom setting. If necessary, Ambrose security will be contacted to escort the student from class.

Academic Integrity

We are committed to fostering personal integrity and will not overlook breaches of integrity such as plagiarism and cheating. Academic dishonesty is taken seriously at Ambrose University as it undermines our academic standards and affects the integrity of each member of our learning community. Any attempt to obtain credit for academic work through fraudulent, deceptive, or dishonest means is academic dishonesty. Plagiarism involves presenting someone else's ideas, words, or work as one's own. Plagiarism is fraud and theft, but plagiarism can also occur by accident when a student fails or forgets to acknowledge to another person's ideas or words. Plagiarism and cheating can result in a failing grade for an assignment, for the course, or immediate dismissal from the university. Students are expected to be familiar with the policies in the current Academic Calendar that

deal with plagiarism, cheating, and the penalties and procedures for dealing with these matters. All cases of academic dishonesty are reported to the Academic Dean and become part of the student's permanent record.

Academic Policies

It is the responsibility of all students to become familiar with and adhere to academic policies as stated in the Academic Calendar. The academic calendar can be found at https://ambrose.edu/academics/academic-calendar

Privacy

Personal information (information about an individual that may be used to identify that individual) may be required as part of taking this class. Any information collected will only be used and disclosed for the purpose for which the collection was intended. For further information contact the Privacy Compliance Officer at privacy@ambrose.edu.

Academic Success and Supports

Accessibility Services

Academic accommodation is provided to Ambrose students with disabilities in accordance with the Alberta Human Rights Act and the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms. Provision of academic accommodation does not lower the academic standards of the university nor remove the need for evaluation and the need to meet essential learning outcomes. Reasonable accommodations are tailored to the individual student, are flexible, and are determined by considering the barriers within the unique environment of a postsecondary institution. It can take time to organize academic accommodations and funding for disability-related services. Students with a disability who wish to have an academic accommodation are encouraged to contact Accessibility Services as early as possible to ensure appropriate planning for any needs that may include accommodations. Staff can then meet with students to determine areas to facilitate success, and if accommodations are required, ensure those accommodations are put in place by working with faculty.

Ambrose Writing Services

Ambrose Writing services provides academic support in the four foundational literacy skills—listening, speaking, reading, and writing. It also assists students with critical thinking and the research process. Throughout the academic year, students can meet with a writing tutor for personalized support, or they can attend a variety of workshops offered by Academic Success. These services are free to students enrolled at Ambrose University. Academic Success serves all students in all disciplines and at all levels, from history to biology and from theatre to theology. To learn more, please visit https://ambrose.edu/sas/writing-services

Ambrose Tutoring Services

Ambrose Tutoring Services provides support in specific disciplinary knowledge, especially in high-demand areas such as chemistry, philosophy, math and statistics, and religious studies. These tutors also coach students in general study skills, including listening and note-taking. During the academic year, Ambrose Tutoring Services

offers drop-in tutoring for courses with high demand; for other courses, students can book a one-to-one appointment with a tutor in their discipline. These services are free to students enrolled at Ambrose University. To learn more, please visit https://ambrose.edu/tutoring.

Mental Health Support

All of us need a support system. We encourage students to build mental health supports and to reach out when help is needed.

On Campus:

- Counselling Services: ambrose.edu/counselling
- For immediate crisis support, there are staff on campus who are trained in Suicide Intervention Skills and can help you access mental health support. See https://ambrose.edu/student-life/crisissupport for a list of staff members.
- For additional wellness resources go to the Ambrose wellness page: https://ambrose.edu/wellness

Off Campus:

- Distress Centre 403-266-4357
- Alberta Mental Health Helpline 1-877-303-2642 (Toll free)
- Sheldon Chumir Health Care Centre 403-955-6200
- Emergency 911

Sexual Violence Support

We are committed to supporting students who have experienced gender based sexual violence in the past or while at Ambrose. Many of the staff, faculty, and student leaders have received Sexual Violence Response to Disclosure training. We will support you and help you find the resources you need and you can access information about reporting. Information about the Sexual Violence policy and on and off campus supports can be found on our website— ambrose.edu/sexual-violence-response-and-awareness.

Off Campus:

- Alberta's Oneline for Sexual Violence 1-866-403-8000 call or text
- Clinic: Sheldon Chumir Health Centre 403-955-6200
- Calgary Communities Against Sexual Abuse 403-237-5888
- Chat: www.calgarycasa.com

 $\mbox{\bf Note:}\,$ Students are strongly advised to retain this syllabus for their records.