**HCB 503: Traditions & Values in Bioethical Conflicts**

*Fall Session (August 23rd to November 29th), 2022, Tuesdays @ 6 pm*

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**Course texts:**

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<th>PREPARATION SESSION 00</th>
<th>Time: none</th>
<th>Assigned Readings: CMSI 1-44  CMA 1-60</th>
<th>Documentary Film: (Please answer questions posed at end of readings)</th>
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**CLASSES BEGIN**

**SESSION 01**

*ZOOM 08/23*

6:00-9:00p

Assigned Readings: CMSI 45-81  CMA 62-76

Documentary Film: *House, M.D.* #1 Wang/Malbon

Class Leaders (I Moral Theory: Fiction) Season 3, Episode 3 *Utrum writing skill presentation.*

**SESSION 02**

*ZOOM 08/30*

6:00-9:00p

Assigned Readings: CMSI 82-114  CMA 77-81


**SESSION 03**

09/06

6:00-9:00p

Assigned Readings: CMSI 119-148  CMA 81-116

Documentary Film: *Interview, Noam Chomsky* #3 ________ (III Morality & Politics: Fiction) “Distorted Morality”

**SESSION 04**

09/13

6:00-9:00p

Assigned Readings: CMSI 149-172  CMA 395-467

Documentary Film: *Secrets, Politics, and Torture* #4 ________ (IV Morality & Politics: Readings) PBS FRONTLINE

**SESSION 05**

09/20

6:00-9:00p

Assigned Readings: CMSI 175-203  CMA 658-699

Documentary Film: *The End of Poverty?* #5 ________ (V World Poverty: Fiction & Discussion) Cinema Libre Studio

**SESSION 06**

09/27

6:00-9:00p

Assigned Readings: CMSI 229-278  CMA 118-215

Documentary Film: *The Last Abortion Clinic* #6 ________ (VI Abortion: Fiction & Readings) PBS FRONTLINE

**SESSION 07**

10/04

6:00-9:00p

Assigned Readings: CMSI 380-426  CMA 314-345

Documentary Film: *GATTACA* in class, and #7 ________ (VIII Genetics: Fiction & Readings)

+++ *GATTACA at 20: Looking Back, Looking Ahead*... Berkeley Center for Genetics & Society (free online)

**NO CLASS**

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SESSION 08 6:00-9:00p  CMSI, 204-226 CMA 538-570 The Weight of the Nation  #8 ________
10/18  (IX World Poverty: Readings) NIH, IoM, CDC & HBO
Part 1: Consequences; Part 2: Choices; Bonus Short: Poverty & Obesity, When Healthy Food Isn’t an Option.

SESSION 09 6:00-9:00p  MLK, Jr. speeches Selma (Paramount Pictures)  #9 ________
10/25  (X War & Poverty: listen to speeches of the Rev. Dr. MLK, Jr.)

“Beyond Vietnam”, The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., April 4, 1967 at The Riverside Church, NYC.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AJhgXKGldUk

“I Have a Dream”, The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., August 23, 1968 at the March on Washington.
https://www.npr.org/2010/01/18/122701268/i-have-a-dream-speech-in-its-entirety

Utrum paper #2 is due.

SESSION 10 6:00-9:00p  CMSI332-376 CMA 596-655 Climate Change: The Facts  #10 ________
11/01  (VII The Environment: Fiction & Readings)

SESSION 11 6:00-9:00p  CMA 264-286 Living with Dying  #11 ________
11/08  (XI Euthanasia: Readings) On Our Own Terms: Moyers on Dying.

SESSION 12 6:00-9:00p  CMA 287-313 The Suicide-Tourist (PBS)  #12 ________
11/15  (XII Physician-assisted Suicide) How to Die in Oregon

SESSION 13 6:00-9:00p  CMA 348-394 NG’s Inside Death Row  #13 ________
11/22  (XIII Corporal & Capital Punishment: Readings)

SESSION 14 6:00-9:00p  Assaulted Personhood AP 131-214 The God Committee  #14 ________
11/29  (XIV Challenges to Personhood in 21st C: Organ Transplant)

Utrum paper #3 is due.

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Grading of course performance

Grading of the course breaks down as follows:

30%: Attendance/Participation Grade—**you start with an “A+”**
- 1 missed class = B for this section.
- 2 missed classes = C for this section.
- 3 missed classes = D for this section.
- 4 missed classes = F (i.e., this constitutes a failure of the entire course)

15%: Utrum paper 1 **due on September 27, 2022** (Utrums are 3-4 pages, ds, 11 pt font, print 2 copies)
15%: Utrum paper 2 **due on October 25, 2022**
15%: Utrum paper 3 **due on November 29, 2022**

(The point value of each utrum paper submitted. A perfect score for an utrum = 15/15.)

25%: Performance as class discussion leader

If you must miss a class, remediation is as follows:

**First**, you will be given a 500-word written assignment to place the two moral positions from the face off into conversation with the assigned reading material. You must include in the conclusion of the article your own position on the topic, i.e., which position do you now support and why. This assignment will be due at the next schedule meeting of the HCB503 course.

**Second**, you will need to volunteer for an additional slot for a class co-leader later in the semester.

This remediation **is available for a maximum of two absences**. As the face-off is the most important component to your learning in this course, missing a class seriously impacts your understanding and attainment in the course.

**Academic honesty**

In keeping with the best traditions of learning, cheating and/or plagiarism are strictly to be avoided. Ideas that you make use of from other sources require acknowledgement. Use of Internet-only sources is to be avoided and use of simple citations to websites is not acceptable. Even in the event that you are paraphrasing someone else’s views, please be sure to provide the source.
Course texts: both of texts are required. You should obtain copies of both texts in advance of the first meeting of the class. You have assigned readings for all classes (even the first). The two texts are complementary on most topics. You are encouraged to read parallel chapters in each text. To obtain the best perspective for writing assignments you are encouraged to use material from both texts.
The final two sessions will include readings from *Assaulted Personhood: Original and Everyday Sins Attacking the “Other.”* You do not need to purchase this 2021 publication, a gratis copy will be provided to each student.