

PUBHLTH 292 SEM A: ETHICS IN PUBHLTH (89825)



Official course description: Issues of scientific integrity and satisfies the requirements for training in public health ethics. Includes guidelines for responsible conduct of research, federal and international codes, administrative review and approval, conflict of interest, and privacy and safety of research participants.

Times and location:

Tuesdays, 5:00pm - 7:50pm
AIRB 2008

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Required texts:

Benton, A. (2015). *HIV Exceptionalism*. University of Minnesota Press.

Phalen, Robert F. (2017). *Core Ethics for Health Professionals: Principles, Issues, and Compliance*. Springer. ([Avaible through the UCI Library.](#))

Articles and other readings as assigned.

Grading breakdown:

Presentation 20%

IRB application 30%

Research Paper 40%

Participation 10%

Presentation: Each student will do a formal presentation on one of the week's collections of readings and lead the initial discussion. These presentations are meant to help you practice your teaching and oral communication skills.

IRB Application: At the end of the quarter we will have a mock IRB meeting to discuss your applications for approval of a new protocol for research on human subjects. These applications should be drafts of actual research you might perform as graduate students.

Research Paper: An 4000 word research paper, focused on ethical issues surrounding a public health issue (policy, study, event, etc.) is due on the first day of Exam Week. A one-page proposal is due Week 4.

Participation: Your active participation in the discussions of the readings and topics is essential. Please come prepared.

Conduct: This is a graduate seminar, and you're all graduate students, so there's no need to spell out instructions for how to behave like adults. That said, please avoid doing things on your laptops and phones that are not related to the class. Also: **Be kind.**

SCHEDULE (subject to change)

WEEK (DATE)	TOPIC AND READINGS
Week 1 (April 3)	INTRODUCTIONS (Phalen and Gideonse) Phelan, Chapters 1, 2, and 3.

**Week 2
(April 10)**

THE IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS (Gideonse)

Fischer, B. A. (2006). A Summary of Important Documents in the Field of Research Ethics. *Schizophrenia Bulletin*, 32(1), 69–80.

Shuster, E. (1997). Fifty years later: the significance of the Nuremberg Code. *New England Journal of Medicine*, 337(20), 1436–1440.

Williams, J. R. (2008). The Declaration of Helsinki and public health. *Bulletin of the World Health Organization*, 86(8), 650–652.

Beauchamp, T. L. (2003). The origins, goals, and core commitments of The Belmont Report and Principles of Biomedical Ethics. In J. K. Walter & E. P. Klein (Eds.), *The Story of Bioethics: From Seminal Works to Contemporary Explorations* (pp. 17–46). Washington, DC: Georgetown University Press

***APRIL 13: COMPLETE UCI IRB-REQUIRED CITI & HIPAA TRAINING**

<http://www.research.uci.edu/cascade/compliance/human-research-protections/researchers/training-and-education.html>

**Week 3
(April 17)**

LAB RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL ETHICS (Phalen)

Phalen, Chapters 5 and 7

**Week 4
(April 24)**

ATTACK ON SCIENCE AND PUBLIC PERCEPTIONS (Phalen)

Phalen, Chapters 8 and 9

***APRIL 27: RESEARCH PAPER PROPOSALS DUE by 6pm**

**Week 5
(May 1)**

SOCIAL JUSTICE AND THE RIGHT TO HEALTH CARE (Gideonse)

Beauchamp, D. E. (1976). Public health as social justice. *Inquiry*, 13(1), 3–14.

Daniels, N. (2002). Justice, health and health care. *Medicine and social justice: Essays on the distribution of health care*. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Farmer, P. (1999). Pathologies of power: rethinking health and human rights. *American Journal of Public Health*, 89(10), 1486-1496.

Bayer, R., & Colgrove, J. (2002). Science, Politics, and Ideology in the Campaign Against Environmental Tobacco Smoke. *American Journal of Public Health, 92*(6), 949–954.

Bayer, R., & Moreno, J. D. (1986). Health promotion: ethical and social dilemmas of government policy. *Health Affairs, 5*(2), 72–85.

Kersh, R., & Morone, J. (2002). The politics of obesity: seven steps to government action. *Health Affairs, 21*(6), 142–153.

**Week 6
(May 8)** **REGULATIONS, GUIDELINES, AND POLICIES (Phalen)**
Phalen, Chapters 4 and 6

**Week 7
(May 15)** **UNSOLVED PROBLEMS AND SURVIVAL GUIDE (Phalen)**
Phalen, Chapters 10 and 11

**Week 8
(May 22)** **ETHICS AND INFECTIOUS DISEASE CONTROL: HIV, TB , VACCINES (Gideonse)**

Bayer, R. (1996). AIDS prevention—sexual ethics and responsibility. *New England Journal of Medicine, 334*(23), 1540–1542.

Bayer, R. (2008). Stigma and the ethics of public health: Not can we but should we. *Social Science & Medicine, 67*(3), 463–472.

Bayer, R., & Dupuis, L. (1995). Tuberculosis, Public Health, and Civil Liberties. *Annual Review of Public Health, 16*(1), 307–326.

Diekema, D. (2004). Parental refusals of medical treatment: the harm principle as threshold for state intervention. *Theoretical Medicine and Bioethics, 25*(4), 243–264.

King, S. (1999). Vaccination policies: individual rights v community health. *BMJ : British Medical Journal, 319*(7223), 1448–1449.

***MAY 24: IRB APPLICATIONS DUE at 6pm**

Week 9 **POWER & EXPERIENCE (Gideonse)**

(May 29)

Guest: Prof. Adia Benton, Northwestern University

Benton, A. (2015). *HIV Exceptionalism*. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press.

Lupton, D. (1993). Risk as moral danger: the social and political functions of risk discourse in public health. *International journal of health services*, 23(3), 425-435.

Week 10
(June 5)

MOCK IRB MEETING

EXAM
WEEK

JUNE 11: FINAL PAPERS DUE at 6pm