

Syllabus Ethics course:

Dates: November 15-30th

Location: Blackboard.cuonline.edu:

Tropical Medicine IDPT 8015/ Ethics course

Course Instructors: Gretchen Heinrichs MD Assistant Professor OBGYN, Jackie Glover PhD, Associate Professor Center for Bioethics and Humanities, UC Denver

Course Objectives: To engage and educate physicians in training about current ethical issues in Global Health and specific ethical constructs and approaches to these issues.

Specific learning objectives:

1. Understand the basic ethical concepts and their application to global health issues
2. Understand the ethical issues surrounding short term medical missions
3. Understand the ethical issues regarding circumcision for the prevention of HIV transmission
4. Understand the ethical issues regarding health provider “brain drain” internationally
5. Understand the ethics surrounding human subjects research in international and/or restricted access settings

Course Schedule: The course occurs over two weeks two days following the tropical medicine course in November. There are no in person class meetings. If you are on vacation during this time, you are still required to complete the same work to receive credit for the course.

Course Structure and Assignments:

The course is an online self study course in Global Health Ethics. The students will read **3 articles from the options on blackboard from each of FIVE topics** that introduce important contemporary ethical discussions in Global Health. The five topics are: Global Health Ethical frameworks, Short-term medical missions, Circumcision for the prevention of HIV transmission, Health provider “brain drain”, and International human subjects research. Students must write a 2-3 page reaction paper on each of the five topics summarizing the main themes and ethical issues addressed in the articles. Therefore, at the end of the course you will have written 5 reaction papers, one on each of the 5 topics. Questions on your topics, concern or responses to the readings or assignments may be directed toward the course instructors listed at the top of the syllabus.

Reaction Papers: The papers must be 2-3 pages double spaced, 11 point Arial font submitted via email to both course instructors. It must summarize the main ethical issues from the 3 articles chosen from each Global Health Ethics topic: Global Health Ethical Frameworks, Short term medical missions, Male circumcision for the prevention of HIV transmission, Health practitioner “brain drain”, and human subjects research internationally. Suggested content would be as follows: 1) Summarize the issue from all sides of the discussion 2) Name and explain the ethical constructs that apply to this topic and how they apply 3) Describe your own perspective on the issue and describe why you take that perspective. Additional articles and references may be used to support your

point if desired. **Reference pages may not count** toward the total number of pages required. Points will be deducted for improper grammar and spelling or late submissions. **Papers may be submitted at any point during the course but all 5 are due at the latest on Tuesday November 30th at 1pm to BOTH the Instructors email inboxes: Gretchen.Heinrichs@ucdenver.edu and Jackie.Glover@ucdenver.edu.**