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Biomedical Ethics

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**Details**

**Dates:** January 2-5, 2024 in Oxford; January 7-12, 2024 in Washington, DC  
**Credit Hours:** 3  
**Instructors:** Dr. Neil Manson, Professor of Philosophy  
**Cost:** $1,395 program fee plus tuition  
**Application Deadline:** October 5, 2023

**Students will:**

- Spend a week of intense on-campus discussion of biomedical ethics.  
- Travel to Washington, DC for a week of meetings with policy specialists, advocates, and stakeholders.  
- Gain an understanding of consequentialist ethics (utilitarianism) and deontology (duty-based ethics)  
- Develop an understanding of current topics in health care ethics, including beginning-of-life and end-of-life medical decisions, the allocation of health care resources, the patient/doctor relationship, and other critical issues.  
- Recognize the primary principles in ethical decision-making in health care.  
- Visit Capitol Hill and meet with legislators, staffers, and policymakers working on important issues in health care.  
- Visit lobbying groups and stakeholders such as BIO, the National Women’s Law Center, and the Bipartisan Policy Center.  
- Gain a unique perspective on disability culture during a visit to the Department of Philosophy at Gallaudet University, a private research university for the education of the deaf and hard of hearing community.

**Who should go?**

Sally McDonnell Barksdale Honors College Scholars and non-honors students with a minimum 3.0 GPA. Instructor approval is required. This course may interest students studying pre-med, biology, biomedical engineering, pre-law, pharmacy, public policy leadership, philosophy, or political science.

**Location and Travel**

Students will have class in Oxford January 2-5. They will then travel to Washington, DC for meetings and site visits January 7-12.

Students will make their own travel arrangements to and from Washington, DC. They will meet with the group at the hotel at a time designated by the instructor. The group will stay at the Capitol Hill Hotel, or similar accommodations.

**Costs**

The Study USA program fee is $1,395. Included in the program fee are housing, two group dinners, tours, and activities. Tuition, airfare, most meals, and personal spending money are excluded from the program fee.

**Prerequisites**

There are no prerequisites for this course.

*Itinerary subject to change. Students should wait to make travel arrangements until after confirming dates and times with instructors.*

Visit [outreach.olemiss.edu/study_usa](http://outreach.olemiss.edu/study_usa) for application information.