



### ***Twin Cities Campus***

## **Bioethics Minor**

*Bioethics, Center for*

**Graduate School**

Link to a [list of faculty](#) for this program.

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Website: <http://www.bioethics.umn.edu/education/graduate-minor-bioethics>

- Program Type: Graduate minor related to major
- Requirements for this program are current for Fall 2018
- Length of program in credits (Masters): 8
- Length of program in credits (Doctorate): 14
- This program does not require summer semesters for timely completion.

Along with the program-specific requirements listed below, please read the [General Information](#) section of the catalog website for requirements that apply to all major fields.

The minor is administered by the Center for Bioethics and is designed for University of Minnesota students interested in deepening their knowledge of the ethical issues surrounding health and the life sciences. Explore your interests in bioethics while also earning a degree in your home discipline.

The minor is open to students in many of the University's masters or doctoral degree programs. Some professional degree-seeking students also may elect a minor, including MEd, MPH, MHA, MN, DNP, MOT, MPSE, MDH, MDT, and MPS students. To be eligible, the degree program must offer the option to pursue a minor; please consult with your director of graduate studies in your major field to determine if this option is open for you. At this time, students in first-professional programs (JD, MD, PharmD, DVM, DDS, and LLM) are not eligible for minors.

Enrollment is contingent upon approval by the director of graduate studies in bioethics. Students work with the director of graduate studies to tailor their minor program to their individual needs and interests.

## **Program Delivery**

This program is available:

- via classroom (the majority of instruction is face-to-face)

## **Prerequisites for Admission**

Other requirements to be completed before admission:

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## **Program Requirements**

Use of 4xxx courses towards program requirements is not permitted.

Courses must be chosen in consultation with the bioethics director of graduate studies.

Philosophy students are expected to have successfully completed at least one course in ethical theory at the 5xxx or 8xxx level prior to undertaking coursework in the minor.

Students must complete the minor with a 3.00 GPA.

### **Bioethics Minor Required Courses**

Complete either BTHX 5010 or BTHX 5325, not both.



[BTHX 5010](#) - Bioethics Proseminar (2.0 cr)

or [BTHX 5325](#) - Biomedical Ethics (3.0 cr)

Select one course.

[BTHX 5300](#) - Foundations of Bioethics (3.0 cr)

or [PHIL 5320](#) - Intensive Study of a Historical Moral Theory (3.0 cr)

or [PHIL 8310](#) - Seminar: Moral Philosophy (3.0 cr)

#### Electives

Doctoral students must also take additional ethics courses to total 14 credits of required plus elective courses; at least 3 credits of the electives must be BTHX courses. Masters students must also take additional credits of ethics courses for a total of 8 credits of required plus elective courses. Any of the following BTHX courses may be taken as electives. The student may take courses offered through other designators only if they have the permission of the bioethics DGS.

[BTHX 5000](#) - Topics in Bioethics (1.0 - 4.0 cr)

or [BTHX 5100](#) - Introduction to Clinical Ethics (3.0 cr)

or [BTHX 5110](#) - Ethical Issues in Pediatrics (2.0 cr)

or [BTHX 5120](#) - Dying in Contemporary Medical Culture (2.0 cr)

or [BTHX 5210](#) - Ethics of Human Subjects Research (3.0 cr)

or [BTHX 5400](#) - Intro Ethics in Hlth Policy (3.0 cr)

or [BTHX 5411](#) - Health Law and Policy (3.0 cr)

or [BTHX 5453](#) - Law, Biomedicine, and Bioethics (3.0 cr)

or [BTHX 5510](#) - Gender and the Politics of Health (3.0 cr)

or [BTHX 5520](#) - Social Justice and Bioethics (3.0 cr)

or [BTHX 5540](#) - Bioethics, Psychiatry & Psychology (3.0 cr)

or [BTHX 5610](#) - Research & Publication Seminar (1.0 cr)

or [BTHX 5620](#) - Social Context of Health and Illness (3.0 cr)

or [BTHX 5630](#) - Bioethics Colloquium (1.0 cr)

or [BTHX 5650](#) - Disability Ethics (3.0 cr)

or [BTHX 5900](#) - Independent Study in Bioethics (1.0 - 4.0 cr)

or [BTHX 8000](#) - Advanced Topics in Bioethics (1.0 - 4.0 cr)

or [BTHX 8114](#) - Ethical and legal Issues in Genetic Counseling (2.0 cr)

or [BTHX 8120](#) - Dying in Contemporary Medical Culture (2.0 cr)

or [BTHX 8500](#) - Practicum in Bioethics (1.0 - 4.0 cr)

or [BTHX 8510](#) - Gender and the Politics of Health (3.0 cr)

or [BTHX 8520](#) - Social Justice and Bioethics (3.0 cr)

or [BTHX 8610](#) - Medical Consumerism (3.0 cr)

## Program Sub-plans

Students are required to complete one of the following sub-plans.

Students may not complete the program with more than one sub-plan.

Masters

Doctoral