



Indraprastha College for Women

University of Delhi

Work Plan for ODD SEMESTER – 2026

Course Name:	B.A. Honours Philosophy
Paper Title:	Medical Ethics from Principle to Practice
Unique Paper Code:	2103103009
Semester:	V
Faculty(s):	Dr. Richa Kela
Year:	3

Work Plan			
Unit No.	Learning Objective	Lecture No.	Topics to be Covered
1	Introducing Key terms in Medical Ethics and reviewing the progression and development of the field.	1-5	Tracing the Past of Medical Ethics
		6 -10	Scope of Medical Ethics
2	Core Concepts relating to specifics issues.	11- 15	Philosophical Issues of Informed Consent
		16-18	The Concept of Confidentiality
3	Ethical Dilemmas with case studies	19-22	Mother: Biological and Others
		23-26	Moral Status of Animals
4	Medical Ethics: Death and Dying	27-30	Death and Dying
		30-35	Jain Fasting to Death (Santhara)

Unit	Contents/Syllabus
I	Introducing Medical Ethics
II	Core Concepts
III	Ethical Dilemmas
	Medical Ethics: Death and Dying

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S. No.	Name of Authors/Books/Publishers
1.	A. F. Cascais (1997), "Bioethics: History, Scope, Object," In Global Bioethics
2.	Williams, J. R. "Consent". In Cambridge Textbook of Bioethics, Edited by P. Singer and A. M. Viens, 11-16. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2008. Beauchamp, Tom L. "Informed consent: Its Historical Meaning and Present Challenges" In Bioethics: An Anthology 3rd ed. Edited by Helga Kuhse, UdoSchuklenk and Peter Singer, 635-641. UK: Wiley Blackwell, 2015. Slowther, Anne and Irwin Kleinman. "Confidentiality" In Cambridge Textbook of Bioethics, Edited byP. Singer and A. M. Viens, 43-48. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2008.
3.	Steinbock, Bonnie. "The Surrogate Motherhood as Prenatal Adoption." InLaw, Medicine and Healthcare 6, no. 1 (1988): 44-50. Darr, Judith. "The Reproductive Revolution". In The New Eugenics: Selective Breeding in an Era of Reproductive Technologies, 1-27. USA: Yale University Press, 2017. Use of animals in medical experimentation and research Bernard. E. Rolling. "The Moral status of Animals and their use as Experimental Subjects." In A Companion to Bioethics 2nd Ed. Edited by Helga Kuhse and Peter Singer, 495-509. UK: Wiley Blackwell, 2009
4.	Donaldson, B., & Bajzelj, A. (2021). Calculations of Death. In Insistent Life: Principles for Bioethics in the Jain Tradition (1st ed., pp. 182-212). University of California Press. http://www.jstor.org/stable/j.ctv2rb75qt.11 . Crawford, S. Cromwell, "The Ethics of Death and Dying." In Crawford, S. Cromwell. Hindu Bioethics for the Twenty-first Century, 188-198. New York: SUNY, 2003.

Paper Components			
Credits	Lecture (L)	Tutorial (T)	Practical (P)
4	3	1	-
Assessment Scheme			
S.No.	Component	Marking Scheme	Total Marks
1	Internal Assessment	30	
	• Assignment/Quiz/Project/ Presentation	12	
	• Class Test	12	
	• Attendance	6	
2.	Continuous Assessment (Tutorial)	40	

	- Activity 1 - Activity 2 - Attendance	20	
		15	
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3.	Practical	-	
	Continuous Assessment	-	
	End Term Written/Practical Exam	-	
	Viva	-	
4.	End Semester Examination		90