M.D./M.S. IN HEALTH CARE ETHICS DUAL DEGREE PROGRAM

The Creighton University School of Medicine and the Graduate School offer a coordinated dual degree program leading to the separate conferral of both the Medical Doctor and the Master of Science in Health Care Ethics degrees. The M.D./M.S. path is structured to seamlessly integrate the two degrees. Students complete one ethics course the summer between the M1 and M2 year. Then, students take a full year to focus on the M.S. degree between the M2 and M3 years. The IDC 135 Ethical and Legal Topics in Clinical Medicine course, which is part of the M1 Curriculum, meets the elective requirement for the M.S. degree. During the M4 year, students will complete the M.S. degree by taking the MHE 609 Capstone course, which will also fulfill two M4 elective requirements.

Admission Requirements

Admission to the M.D./M.S. in Health Care Ethics requires acceptance into the medical degree program at Creighton University and completion of an entrance questionnaire and essay.

Applicants must submit the following documents:

- **Application:** Applicants must submit a completed application form.
- **Essay:** Using 500 words or less per question, applicants should respond to the following:
  1. List three “big” questions in contemporary health care ethics and choose one of the questions to answer or write a commentary on why you believe this particular issue is so important. Present your own ideas, using as much as possible your own words. If you include content from others, you should properly identify each source with a complete reference.
  2. Explain how successful completion of this program will assist you in achieving your professional goals.

M.D./M.S. applicants will also be asked to grant the Creighton University School of Medicine permission to release the entire contents of their AMCAS (American Medical College Application Service) application to the Creighton University Graduate School and the Center for Health Policy and Ethics for the purpose of application to the Master of Science in Health Care Ethics program.