

BIOETHICS - M.S.

The Master of Science in Bioethics is a 33 credit-hour program that is offered fully online (no residency requirement) and includes 18 credit hours of core courses and 15 credit hours of electives from the Bioethics curriculum. Since the program targets working professionals, most students will be enrolled part-time, usually taking only six credits per semester in either an 8-week or 16-week format. Students who take six credits per semester and three credits in the summer will complete the program in about two years. Full-time graduate students can finish the degree in 12-18 months.

Near the end of their coursework, students may choose to take either MHE 608 Practicum or MHE 609 Capstone as their culminating learning experience (or both). Practicum students work with a site to design a project to analyze a particular group, population, policy, or structure that raises significant concerns about vulnerability and develop a plan for responding to the identified ethical issue or problem in a constructive manner. Students who choose the capstone course integrate insights gained and competencies acquired throughout the program into a scholarly paper.

M.S., Bioethics requirements 33 credits

Code	Title	Credits
MHE 610	Introduction to Bioethics	3
MHE 600	Scholarly Reading and Writing	3
MHE 604	Social and Cultural Contexts of Health Care	3
MHE 605	Philosophical Bioethics	3
MHE 606	Theories of Justice	3
MHE 608 or MHE 609	Practicum Capstone	3
Choose five courses (15 credits) from the following:		15
MHE 601	Health Policy	
MHE 602	Research Ethics	
MHE 603	Law and Health Care Ethics	
MHE 607	Practical Ethics in Health Care Settings	
MHE 608	Practicum	
MHE 609	Capstone	
MHE 614	Ethical Aspects of End-of-Life Care	
MHE 615	Patient-Centered Consultation	
MHE 619	Rescue and Transplantation: Manifestations of Scarcity and Power in U.S. Health Care	
MHE 622	Public Health Ethics	
MHE 623	Catholic Bioethics	
MHE 624	Oral Health Care at the Intersection of Professional and Business Ethics	
Students may take up to six credits outside of the MHE curriculum with special approval from the Program Director.		
Total Credits		33