

UWA Plus Micro-credentials

Critical Information Summary

Title and brief description	<p>PHILM400 Bioethics: Life and Death</p> <p>This micro-credential aims to give students a solid grounding in general ethical theories before considering their application to topics in bioethics. We will discuss a wide range of issues, including (but not limited to) abortion, euthanasia, the allocation of scarce medical resources, triage, paternalistic public health interventions, compulsory vaccination, and the patenting of medical technology, and so on. Four weeks will be devoted directly to issues raised by the COVID-19 pandemic.</p>
Certified learning	<p>(1) locate global moral issues in their historical and cultural context;</p> <p>(2) independently interpret philosophical texts;</p> <p>(3) evaluate philosophical positions, including identifying counter-examples and identifying and questioning their basic assumptions;</p> <p>(4) compare and contrast philosophical positions;</p> <p>(5) construct persuasive arguments;</p> <p>(6) demonstrate strong written communication and research skills;</p> <p>(7) gain knowledge about arguments in favour of, and in opposition to issues such as abortion, euthanasia and animal vivisection; and</p> <p>(8) reason in a constructive and cooperative way about polarising moral issues.</p>
How learner participated	Online only
Effort required (indicative)	150 total hours. 2 hour lecture, 1 hour discussion group, plus readings x 12 weeks
Main assessment task	Application of multiple skills to complex problems
Supervision and identity verification	Supervised online or onsite, identity not verified
Indicative equivalent level	Bachelor
Quality assurance	UWA
Successful learner earns PD Points for conversion to:	6
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Admission to an award course 	No
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Credit towards an award course 	<p>Yes</p> <p>Can be converted to credit for PHIL2001 Bioethics</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If yes, how much credit? 	Credit is one unit