

Philosophy 281
Global Bioethics
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Reading Schedule

Readings without links will be made available within Sakai.

- January 10 Introduction.
- Jan 17 Singer, "[Famine, Affluence, and Morality](#)," *Philosophy and Public Affairs* 1 (1972): 229-243.
- Jan 22 Miller, "[Beneficence, Duty, and Distance](#)," *Philosophy and Public Affairs* 32 (2004), pp. 357-383.
- Jan 24 Hardin, "[Living on a Lifeboat](#)," *Bioscience* (1974): 36-47;
Rosenfield and Schwartz, "[Population and Development](#) – Shifting Paradigms, Setting Goals," *N. Engl. J. Medicine* 352 (2005):647-9.
- Jan 29 Sen, "[Fertility and Coercion](#)," *University of Chicago Law Review* 63 (1996): 1035-1061.
- Jan 31 Pogge, *World Poverty and Human Rights* (Blackwell, 2002), ch. 8.
- February 5 No new reading.
- Feb 7 Sreenivasan, "[International Justice and Health: A Proposal](#)," *Ethics and International Affairs* 16 (2002): 81-90;
Sreenivasan, "[Health and justice in our non-ideal world](#)," *Politics, Philosophy and Economics* 6 (2007): 218-36.
- Feb 12 Shue, *Basic Rights*, second ed. (Princeton, 1996), ch. 1.
- Feb 14 Rachels, "The challenge of cultural relativism," *Elements of Moral Philosophy*, 4th ed. (2003), ch. 2;
Williams, *Morality* (Harper and Row, 1972), pp. 20-25.
- Feb 19 Kausikan, "Asia's Different Standard," *Foreign Policy* 92 (1993): 24-41;
Sen, "[Human Rights and Asian Values](#)," *Morgenthau Lecture*, 1997.
- Feb 21 Taylor, "Conditions of an Unforced Consensus on Human Rights," in J. Bauer and D.A. Bell (eds.) *The East Asian Challenge for Human Rights* (Cambridge, 1999), ch. 5.
- Feb 26 Chan, "A Confucian Perspective on Human Rights for Contemporary China," in Bauer and Bell (eds.) *The East Asian Challenge for Human Rights* (Cambridge, 1999), ch. 9.
- First essay due.**
- Feb 28 No new reading.

- March 5 The Body Hunters. *Washington Post*, December 17-22, 2000.
Six part series.
- March 7 Emanuel et al., "What Makes Clinical Research in Developing Countries Ethical?," *J. Infectious Diseases* 189 (2004): 930-37.
- March 12 *Spring break.*
- March 19 Levine, "Informed consent: some challenges to the universal validity of the Western model," *Law Medicine and Health Care* 19 (1991): 207-13;
Ijsselmuiden and Faden, "Research and informed consent in Africa – another look," *N. Engl. J. Medicine* 326 (1992): 830-834;
Gostin, "Informed Consent, Cultural Sensitivity, and Respect for Persons," *Journal of the American Medical Association* 274 (1995): 844-45.
- March 21 Love and Fost, "Ethical and Regulatory Challenges in a Randomized Controlled Trial of Adjuvant Treatment for Breast Cancer in Vietnam," *Journal of Investigative Medicine* 45 (1997): 423-431.
- March 26 Ekunwe and Kessel, "[Informed Consent in the Developing World](#)," *Hastings Center Report* 14(3) (1984): 22-4;
Préziosi et al., "[Practical Experiences in Obtaining Informed Consent](#) for a Vaccine Trial in Rural Africa," *N. Engl. J. Med.* 336 (1997):370-3;
Lynoe et al., "[Obtaining Informed Consent in Bangladesh](#)," *N. Engl. J. Medicine* 344 (2001): 460-61;
Fitzgerald et al., "[Comprehension during informed consent](#) in a less-developed country," *Lancet* 360 (2002): 1301-02.
- March 28 Freedman, "Equipose and the Ethics of Clinical Research," *N. Engl. J. Medicine* 317 (1987): 141-145;
Freedman, "[Placebo-Controlled Trials and the Logic of Clinical Purpose](#)," *IRB* 12 (1990): 1-6;
Rothman and Michels, "[The Continuing Unethical Use of Placebo Controls](#)," *N. Engl. J. Medicine* 331 (1994): 394-398;
Temple and Ellenberg, "Placebo-Controlled Trials and Active-Control Trials in the Evaluation of New Treatments: Ethical and Scientific Issues," *Annals of Internal Medicine* 133 (2000): 455-463.
- April 2 Angell, "[The Ethics of Clinical Research in the Third World](#)," *N. Engl. J. Medicine* 337 (1997): 847-49;
Lurie and Wolfe, "[Unethical Trials of Interventions to Reduce Perinatal Transmission of the HIV in Developing Countries](#)," *N. Engl. J. Medicine* 337 (1997): 853-856.
- April 4 Crouch and Arras, "[AZT Trials and Tribulations](#)," *Hastings Center Report* 28 (1998): 26-34.
- Second essay due.**
- April 9 Hawkins, "[Justice and Placebo Controls](#)," *Social Theory and Practice* 32 (2006): 467-96.
- April 11 No new reading.

- April 16 Wertheimer, "[Exploitation](#)," *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*;
Glantz et al., "[Research in Developing Countries: Taking 'Benefit' Seriously](#)," *Hastings Center Report* 28 (1998): 38-42;
Shapiro and Meslin, "[Ethical Issues in the Design and Conduct of Clinical Trials in Developing Countries](#)," *N. Engl. J. Med* 345 (2001): 139-42.
- April 18 El Setouhy et al., "[Moral standards for research in developing countries: from 'reasonable availability' to 'fair benefits'](#)," *Hastings Center Report* 34 (2004): 17-28;
Arras, "[Fair Benefits in International Medical Research](#)," *Hastings Center Report* 34 (2004): 3.
- April 23 No new reading.
April 25 *No class.*

End of lectures.

Assignments

There will be two 5-6 page essays in this course and a final examination. Each assignment will be worth 30 percent of the final grade. Participation in class is worth the final 10 percent.

Office hours

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Websites

All course material, including 'offline' readings, available through the course site on Sakai.

Syllabus also available at <http://gopalsreenivasan.com/courses/281.htm>

January 10, 2018