CHV528/PHI521

Course Description:

We will discuss a range of topics in bioethics, including:

• human enhancement, whether by genetic selection, genetic modification or pharmaceutical means;
• markets for organs and for reproductive surrogacy;
• life and death issues, including end of life decisions for neonates;
• whether global population growth is a problem, and if so, what ethical course of action is open to us;
• global health priorities.

In all of these cases, we will ask what practices are justifiable, and what public policy ought to be.