

BIOETHICS AND MEDICAL HUMANITIES, MS

Overview

The **Master of Science in Bioethics and Medical Humanities** is a non-thesis, capstone-required program within Biomedical Sciences which can be completed in either a **one- or a two-year** course of study. As healthcare becomes increasingly complex with both technological advances as well as social decisions that must be faced, this master's degree program will assist any learner who wishes to pursue healthcare ethics and humanities in their future. This is a 30-credit-hour program consisting of seven required core courses and three electives. This program accommodates Dual Degree MD-MS students (see below) and those students interested in pursuing the stand-alone MS degree. It is well-suited for both post-baccalaureate students progressing toward a terminal degree (e.g., an MD, JD, etc.) and mid-career professionals who wish to expand their potential in medical ethics and humanities. Students in professional schools wishing to take an MS in a gap year may complete the program in its one-year format. All courses in our program may be attended in-person or by live synchronous teleconferencing, allowing participation from virtually anywhere. Students pursue either the Bioethics Track or Medical Humanities Track to center their efforts, but the program is unique in providing the student both a bioethics and a medical humanities education through our interdisciplinary faculty brought together in the Program in Medical Ethics and Human Values. Core program faculty staffing the core courses are drawn from Philosophy, English, Medicine, Humanities and Clinical Ethics and boast a distinguished publication record in Bioethics and Medical Humanities.

This MS degree can be also earned by incoming students at the Tulane School of Medicine as a Dual Degree (MD-MS) program, completed within the same 4 years of medical school. See details at the link below.

MD-MS Dual Degree Program (<https://catalog.tulane.edu/medicine/combined-degrees/md-ms-bioethics/>)

Requirements

Course ID	Title	Credits
Core Courses		
BEMH 6002	Foundations in Bioethics	3
BEMH 6009	Current Controversies in Bioethics	3
BEMH 6003	Medical Humanities	3
BEMH 6020	Capstone	3
Electives <small>(Choose 3)</small>		9
Bioethics or Medical Humanities Track <small>See Options Below</small>		9
Total Credit Hours		30

Plus, One of The Two Tracks Below

Course ID	Title	Credits
BIOETHICS TRACK		
BEMH 6007	Ethical Theory	3
BEMH 6010	Research Ethics	3
BEMH 6011	Clinical Ethics	3
MEDICAL HUMANITIES TRACK		
BEMH 6005 or BEMH 6012	Medicine in Literature & Film The End of Life in Film & Lit.	3
BEMH 6008	History of Medicine	3
BEMH 6016	Narrative in Medicine	3

Program String and Banner Code: MDMS_GR, BEMH

Contact

For more information, contact the School of Medicine (<https://medicine.tulane.edu/biomedical-sciences-graduate-program/contact-us/>).