

Philosophy 276, Summer 2017  
Course Outline

Here are some recommendations about how to proceed. Please read the Preface and the Introductions to each section or part. If you are unfamiliar with ethical theories, please read Part 2 of the text. Finally, please peruse the Cases for each section/part.

**Week One: July 4-6**

**Professionalism: The good, the bad and the ugly.**

Text Readings: Part I of Text

1. Henry Mintzber, "The Professional Organization."
2. Michael Bayles, "The Professions."
3. Michael Davis, "Professional Responsibility: Just Following the Rules."

**Week Two: July 10-13**

**Professional Duties, Client Rights**

Text Readings: Part 3 of Text

1. Michael Bayles, "The Professional-Client Relationship."
2. John Wesley Hall, Jr, "Professional Responsibility for Lawyers."
3. John K. Davis, "Conscientious Refusal and a Doctor's Right to Quit."
4. Meisel and Kuczewski, "Legal and Ethical Myths About Informed Consent."

**Week Three: July 17-20**

**Truth, Lies, and Deception**

Text Readings: Part 4 of Text

1. Clancy Martin, "A Brief Introduction to the Morality of Deception."
2. Sissela Bok, "Lying and Lies to the Sick and Dying."
3. Ronald H. Stein, "Lying and Deception for Counselors and Clients."
4. Benjamin Freedman, "Offering Truth: One Ethical Approach to the Uninformed Cancer Patient."

## **Week Four: July 24-27**

### **Confidentiality**

Text Readings: Part 5 of Text

1. Mary Beth Armstrong, "Confidentiality: A Comparison Across the Professions of Medicine, Engineering, and Accounting."
2. Kenneth Kipnis, "A Defense of Unqualified Medical Confidentiality."
3. Wayne Vaught, "Parents, Lies, and Videotape: Covert Video Surveillance in Pediatric Care."
4. Bo Brinkman, "An analysis of Student Privacy Rights in the Use of Plagiarism Detection Systems."

## **Week Five: July 31-August 3**

### **Whistleblowing**

Text Readings: Part 6 of Text

1. Sissela Bok, "Whistleblowing and Professional Responsibility."
2. Michael Davis, "Some Paradoxes of Whistleblowing."
3. Ronald Duska, "Whistleblowing and Employee Loyalty."

**Weeks Six and Seven: August 8-10, 15-17 (Note: Monday August 7<sup>th</sup> is a holiday)**

### **Potpourri (Assortment of Issues)**

Text Readings: Parts 7 and 8

1. Dalai Lama, "The Ethic of Compassion."
2. Rachel Smolkin, "Off the Sidelines."
3. Rebecca Dresser, "Plan B; Politics and Values at the FDA, Again."
4. Kenneth Arrow, "Social Responsibility and Economic Efficiency."
5. John Corvino, "'Under God's Authority': Professional Responsibility, Religious Accommodations, and the Culture Wars."