

FACULTY OF ARTS
DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY
APHIVAC02 - APPLIED ETHICS

Learning Objectives:

LO1: To make the students aware of Life Values and their application in day today life

LO2: To enable the students to understand the importance of professional ethics

LO3: To make the students aware of the necessity of ethics in Biotechnology and Genetic Engineering

Course Outcomes:

At the end of the Course, students will be able to:

CO1: Demonstrate the importance of applying life values in life.

CO2: Analyse the distinction between situational and absolute ethics

CO3: Exhibit the significance of professional ethics in modern world

CO4: Comprehend the necessity of Bio-ethics in Genetics research

CO5: Enunciate the emerging ethical issues in medicine, media, cyber zone and environment

Unit 1: Introduction

Applied Ethics: Definition - Nature and scope - Importance for Society - Applied ethics and education – Life Values, Goodness, Justice or Fairness, Truth Telling and Individual Freedom.

Unit 2: Ethics and Human Life

War, Social Conflicts, Abortion, Infanticide, Mercy killing and Suicide - Situational vs Absolute Ethics.

Unit 3: Professional Ethics

Bio-ethics: Definition – Health care professional and patients.

Business Ethics: Rights and obligations in Business

Ethics and Human Sexuality: Premarital Sex, Adultery, Pornography and Sexual perversion.

Unit 4: Biotechnology and Genetic Engineering

Basic Genetics - The Human Genome project - Genetically Modified Food – Its Implications - Consumer Ethics and Rights - Cloning of Animals and Humans

Unit 5: Contemporary issues

Abortion and Euthanasia - Cyber Ethics - Consumer Rights - Advertisement Ethics - Biodiversity and Environment - Science, Religion and Morality.

Current Streams of Thought:

The faculty will impart the current developments in the subject of study to the students and this component will not cover in the examination d Political Weekly.

Text Books:

1. [Singer](#), Peter. *Applied Ethics*, Oxford University Press, Oxford, 1986.
2. [Chobanian](#), Shari Collins & [Kai Wong](#), *Applied Ethics: A Multicultural Approach*, Pearson, Fourth edition, 2005.
3. [Holmes](#), Robert L. *Introduction to Applied Ethics*, The Bloomsbury Group, 2018.

Supplementary Readings:

1. Lillie, William. *An Introduction to Ethics*, Methuen & Co Ltd. London, 1964.
2. Titus, Herold. *Ethics for Today*, Eurasia Publishing House, New Delhi, 1964.
3. Sharma R.N. *Principles of Sociology*, Educational Publishers, Meerut, 1968.
4. Mepham, Ben. *Bioethics: An introduction for the Biosciences*, Oxford University Press, Second edition, 2008.
5. Subramanian, R. *Professional Ethics: Includes Human Values*, Oxford University Press, Second edition, 2017.