



Jordan University of Science and Technology

Faculty of Pharmacy

Pharmacy Department

PHAR796D Ethics Of Biomedical Technologies - JNQF Level: 6

Second Semester 2023-2024

Course Catalog

2 Credit Hours. The course covers current ethical issues in Biotechnology, including topics in medical biotechnologies (stem cell, gene editing, precision medicine, synthetic biology, enhancement, and vaccines), agricultural biotechnology (genetically modified plants, animals, and food), microbial biotechnology, forensic analysis, aquatic technology, and recombinant DNA technology. The course also covers Biotechnology regulations, safety, and biosecurity.

Teaching Method: On Campus

Text Book

Title	Ethical Issues in Biotechnology
Author(s)	John D. Morrey
Edition	2nd Edition
Short Name	Textbook1
Other Information	

Course References

Short name	Book name	Author(s)	Edition	Other Information
Textbook2	Ethical Perspective of Biotechnology	Sangeeta Pande	1st Edition	

Instructor

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Class Schedule & Room

Section 1:
Lecture Time: Thu : 10:00 - 13:00
Room: U

Tentative List of Topics Covered

Weeks	Topic	References
Week 1	Introduction	
Week 2	The Ethics of Human Cloning	From Textbook1
Week 3	The Ethics of Somatic Cell Gene Therapy	From Textbook1
Week 4	Genetic Engineering of Farm Animals	From Textbook2
Week 5	Ethical Issues in Food Biotechnology	From Textbook2

Week 6	Precision medicine	From Textbook1
Week 7	mRNA Vaccines	From Textbook2
Week 8	Mid-term exam	
Week 9	CRISPR Health Applications	
Week 10	Ethics of Stem cells research	From Textbook1
	Artificial Intelligence in Medicine	
Week 12	Ethics of Neurotechnology	From Textbook1
Week 13	Mobile Technology for Continuous Health Surveillance	From Textbook2
Week 14	Biosafety	From Textbook2
Week 15	Final Presentations of Case studies	From Textbook2

Mapping of Course Outcomes to Program Outcomes and NQF Outcomes	Course Outcome Weight (Out of 100%)	Assessment method
Have a positive disposition toward continued learning about ethics in biomedical technologies [1PLO1.1, 1PLO3.2, 1PLO2.3] [1L6K1, 1L6S1]	35%	Mid-term, Final Exam
Know regulations, issues, options, and resources for biomedical technologies [1PLO3.1, 1PLO3.5, 1PLO3.6, 1PLO4.1] [1L6S1, 1L6C2, 1L6C3]	35%	Mid-term, Final Exam
Appropriately use ethical principles and ethical guidelines to address ethical challenges in biomedical technologies [1PLO4.2, 1PLO4.3, 1PLO4.4] [1L6C4, 1L6C5]	30%	Mid-term, Final Exam

Relationship to Program Student Outcomes (Out of 100%)															
PLO1.1	PLO2.1	PLO3.2	PLO3.3	PLO2.2	PLO2.3	PLO2.4	PLO3.1	PLO3.4	PLO3.5	PLO3.6	PLO4.1	PLO4.2	PLO4.3	PLO4.4	PLO5.1
11.67		11.67			11.67		8.75		8.75	8.75	8.75	10	10	10	

Relationship to NQF Outcomes (Out of 100%)						
L6K1	L6S1	L6C2	L6C3	L6C4	L6C5	
17.5	29.17	11.67	11.67	15	15	

Evaluation	
Assessment Tool	Weight
Mid-term	50%
Final Exam	50%

Policy	
Attendance	JUST policy requires faculty to assign a grade of ZERO if a student misses 20% of the classes. If you miss class, it is your responsibility to find out about any announcements or assignments you may have missed.
Integrity	Plagiarism and any other form of academic misconduct will not be tolerated and will lead to expulsion from the program

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