



The Worshipful Society of Apothecaries of London
Black Friars Lane, London EC4V 6EJ

FACULTY OF THE HISTORY AND PHILOSOPHY OF MEDICINE AND PHARMACY

Programme for the Philosophy of Medicine Course

October 2023 - June 2024

Leading to the Diploma in the Philosophy of Medicine Examination (DPMSA)

Sessions will be held on Saturday mornings at Apothecaries' Hall, Black Friars Lane, London EC4V 6EJ

The course is supported by the Wellcome Library (<https://wellcomecollection.org/>). The eponymous lectures are not part of the course but do form an important part of the Society's teaching.

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Term 1

7th of November 2023. Sydney Selwyn Lecture

Evening lecture featuring the best student presentations of the 2022-23 DPMSA & DHMSA classes – *Attendance is strongly recommended*

“Should GPs promote non-directed altruistic kidney donation?”
 Dr Richard Armitage, Sydney Selwyn Winner

“Title of History Talk”
Name, DHMSA Winner

Saturday 7th October 2023 – Apothecaries Hall

09:30-10:00 Master's Introduction, Ms Maria Ferran (Faculty Manager)

10:00-12:00	Overview of course: An Introduction to Philosophy & Medicine in Healthcare	Mr Peter Young (Course Director) Dr Andrew Papanikitas (DPMSA convenor)
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12:00-12:15	How to write an ethics case vignette	Mr Peter Young (Course Director)
1:15-3:30	Critical reasoning in Healthcare Ethics	Professor David Jones (The Anscombe Bioethics Centre, Oxford)
3:30-4:30	Optional networking event at a local venue	Details TBA

Saturday 14th October 2023 – Online

10:00-12:15	Case Studies and the role of Analytic Philosophy	Professor Bill Fulford (University of Oxford)
1:15-3:30	Case vignette presentations and discussions	Mr Peter Young (Course Director) Dr Koot Kotzee (Deputy Course Director)

Saturday 4th November 2023 – Apothecaries Hall

Available online	How to write an ethical or philosophical essay	Dr Andrew Papanikitas (DPMSA convenor)
10:00-12:15	Three main normative theories of Ethics: Utilitarianism	Professor David Misselbrook (Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland of Bahrain)
1:15-3:30	Is there a Philosophy of Health?	Professor David Misselbrook (Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland of Bahrain)

Saturday 18th November 2023 – Online

Available Online	Pandemic Ethics	Dr Alexis Paton (Aston University)
10:00-12:15	The Ethics and Philosophy of Public Health	Professor John Coggon (Centre for Health, Law, and Society, University of Bristol)
1:15-3:30	Contractarian Ethics – Ancient & Modern	Dr John Spicer (GP Croydon & Academic Ethicist)

Saturday 2nd December 2023 – Online

10:00-12:15	Three main normative theories of Ethics: Kant and Deontology in Medicine	Professor Trevor Stammers (St Mary's University College)
1:15-3:30	Truth Telling and Deceit	Dr Selena Knight (King's College, London)

Pre-recorded December viewing – to be viewed between Terms 1 and 2

Available online	Three main normative theories of Ethics: Virtue Ethics	Dr Peter Toon (Virtue Ethicist & Writer)
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Term 2

Saturday 6th January 2024 – Online

Available online	The Four Principles – A critique	Dr Alexis Paton (Aston University)
10:00-12:15	The Four Principles of Biomedical Ethics	Professor Raanan Gillon (Imperial College)
1:15-1:45	DPMSA dissertation proposal session	Dr Andrew Papanikitas (DPMSA convenor)
1:45-3:30	Flipped Classroom: The Four Principles & Virtue Ethics	Mr Peter Young (Course Director)

Saturday 20th January 2024 – Online

Available online	The DPMSA Examination	Dr Andrew Papanikitas (DPMSA convenor)
10:00-12:15	Abortion and Personhood	Jordan Parsons (Keele University)
1:15-3:30	The Moral Basis of Professionalism - Exploring narrative and Character : Butch Cassidy meets Immanuel Kant	Dr David Obree (University of Edinburgh Medical School)

Saturday 3rd February 2024 – Apothecaries Hall

10:00-12:15	Justice and Resource Allocation	Professor David Jones (The Anscombe Bioethics Centre, Oxford)
1:15-3:30	Autonomy, Consent and Confidentiality	Dr Paquita De Zulueta (Honorary Senior Clinical Lecturer, Imperial College, London)

Saturday 17th February 2024 – Online

Available online	Euthanasia and Medical Decisions at the End of Life	Dr Andrew Papanikitas (DPMSA convenor)
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10:00-12:15	Philosophy at the end of life	Dr Guy Schofield (University of Bristol)
1:15-3:30	Divine Command Morality and the Euthyphro Dilemma	Mr Peter Young (Course Director)

Saturday 2nd March 2024 – Apothecaries Hall

10:00-12:15	The Philosophy of Science	Dr Jonathan Livingstone Banks (University of Oxford)
1:15-2:15	The Ethics of Medical Research	Dr Jonathan Livingstone Banks (University of Oxford)
2:30-3:30	The Philosophy of Evidence-Based Medicine	Dr Jonathan Livingstone Banks (University of Oxford)

Saturday 9th March 2024 – Online

10:00-12:15	Nietzsche against Aristotle: Philosophical Contributions to the Concept of Illness	Professor Jonathan Ives (Centre of Ethics in Medicine, University of Bristol)
1:15-3:30	Case vignette presentations and discussion	Mr Peter Young (Course Director) Dr Koot Kotzee (Deputy Course Director)

Saturday 13th April 2024 – Apothecaries Hall

Joint day with the History Course

10:00-11:00	The Historical development of Human Rights & Human Rights Today	Dr Tracey Elliott (University of Leicester)
11:15-12:15	Some Historical aspects of post-war UK Medical Ethics	Professor Raanan Gillon (Imperial College)
1:15-2:15	The Philosophy of Medicine in the Third Reich	Professor Michael Biddiss (University of Reading)
2:30-3:30	Discussion	Professor Michael Biddiss and all the speakers

Saturday 20th April 2024 – Online

Available online	Podcast on IVF and the role of philosophy in public policy	Baroness Mary Warnock & Dr Andrew Papanikitas
10:00-12:15	Ethics and Sociology of Genetic Testing	Mr Peter Young (Course Director)
1:15-3:30	Ethico-legal aspects of Reproductive and Genetic Technologies	James Lawford Davies

Saturday 11th May 2024 – Apothecaries’ Hall

Joint Students and Fellow’s Symposium – Theme: The Technological Imperative

10:00-11:45	Invited Speakers and Fellows’ Paper	TBC
11:45-12:15	Public Speaking Skills	Maria Ferran
1:15-3:30	Selwyn lecture semi-final: short student papers and discussions	Mr Peter Young (Course Director)

NOTE: All students on the course are expected to attend. The day will include invited speakers, an opportunity to meet Faculty Fellows (The Faculty’s Philosophy mentoring, discussion and writing group) and networking after the event. As well as course-relevant content, students will have the opportunity to present work and discuss relevant topics in a symposium setting.

Term 3:

Saturday 18th May 2024 – Apothecaries Hall

10:00-12:15	Racism and Decolonisation in Medicine	Subhadra Das (Writer and Historian)
1:15-3:30	Gender, Sexuality & Bioethics	Mr Peter Young (Course Director)

Saturday 8th June 2024 – Apothecaries’ Hall

10:00-12:15	Teaching and learning medical ethics	Mr Peter Young, Dr Koot Kotze & Dr Andrew Papanikitas
1:30-3:45	Revision ‘Pub-Quiz’ & course overview	Mr Peter Young, Dr Koot Kotze & Dr Andrew Papanikitas

Exam queries:

DPMSA Examination Information web address: <https://www.apothecaries.org/diploma-in-the-philosophy-of-medicine/>

Email: examoffice@apothecaries.org

Eponymous Lectures and Faculty Fellowship:

Students of the course are encouraged to join the Faculty. The Faculty run a series of free eponymous lectures on a variety of historical and philosophical topics relating to medicine and healthcare. Faculty fellowship offers access to a writing discussion and mentoring groups in both medical history and philosophy.