

Programme of Study Layout

BIHII/Bioethics - Healthcare Ethics

Faculty	ΣAKE	Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences		
Programme of Study	BIHII	Bioethics - Healthcare Ethics		
Level of Study	Undergraduate		Graduate	
		Master	Doctoral	
		X		
Language of Instruction	Greek			
Mode of Delivery	Distance			
Course Duration (Full Time)	Years		Semesters	
	2		4	
Fees	Programme of Study	Module	Thesis	
	€5400	€450	€1350	
Number of Modules	Total	Required	Electives	Thesis
	11	8	3	YES
Number of European Credit Transfer System (ECTS)	120			

Programme of Study Description

The Postgraduate Programme "Bioethics - Healthcare Ethics" is primarily addressed to health care professionals (doctors, nurses and researchers), legal professionals and other relevant scientists, who approach issues of Bioethics and Healthcare Ethics either from the perspective of the humanities and philosophy, or on the basis of medicine, biology and other related fields. It aims to provide students with the aforementioned knowledge and skills, by virtue of which they will improve the quality of services they provide and sharpen their critical thinking, so that they are able to handle critical situations and make key decisions about the course and quality of life of those who seek their services. At the same time, the knowledge they will acquire will make them less vulnerable to errors and slippages, as well as to the ensuing claims and legal proceedings. To this purpose, the Postgraduate Programme "Bioethics - Healthcare Ethics" integrates Thematic Units that focus on both cutting-edge issues and the theoretical foundations of Healthcare Ethics and Bioethics. The structure of the Programme is rational and aims at the thorough and in-depth training of students. The innovation of the Programme "Bioethics - Healthcare Ethics" lies, on the one hand, in the fact that very few comparable postgraduate programmes are currently in operation in the broader Greek-speaking world, and on the other hand, in the structure of the curriculum itself, which places it at the scientific and academic forefront. Specifically, its structure guarantees the full familiarisation of interested parties with the entire spectrum of bioethical issues and with the main approaches that have been proposed for addressing them. The Thematic Units (TUs) introduce students to moral philosophy, develop its main principles and present classical and contemporary approaches

(Basic Ethical Traditions, Applied Ethics, Ethical Concepts and Principles). They also emphasise the relevance of Bioethics to human rights, which is central in contemporary scholarship, and at the same time highlight legal considerations across a range of issues (jurisprudence, personal data, deontology). They further focus on more specialised topics, such as the ethical use of artificial intelligence in healthcare, and specific subfields of the ethics of care, such as the management of care for the elderly, which can attract students with relevant scientific training. The TUs are distinguished by a varying degree of focus, which differs so that students acquire the necessary general theoretical knowledge and principles, while simultaneously becoming acquainted with more specialised sub-fields. Consequently, the structure of the Programme ensures a multifaceted and combined approach to the subject area, which will contribute to the professional and scientific recognition of its graduates.

BIOETHICS - HEALTHCARE ETHICS

The particular objectives of each of the two offered concentrations are defined as follows:

(MA) Bioethics - Healthcare Ethics, Concentration: "Bioethics"

Beyond the general purpose and overall objectives of the Postgraduate Programme "Bioethics - Healthcare Ethics", the particular objectives of the "Bioethics" concentration are the following:

- To provide specialised knowledge to professionals from all relevant fields (lawyers, geneticists, biologists, experimental physicians, pharmacologists, nurses, etc.) on the most significant current issues in Bioethics internationally.
- To provide detailed instruction to individual researchers or research groups on what applies globally to specific issues concerning Bioethics (established general or specific protocols, international/federal/local legislation, global declarations).
- To provide the specialised knowledge and training required so that graduates of the concentration are eligible for bioethics committees, research deontology committees, and other relevant institutional bodies.
- To foster critical thinking and promote dialogue relevant to Bioethics.

(MA) Bioethics - Healthcare Ethics, Concentration: "Healthcare Ethics"

Beyond the general purpose and overall objectives of the Postgraduate Programme "Bioethics - Healthcare Ethics", the particular objectives of the "Healthcare Ethics" concentration are the following:

- To provide specialised knowledge to professionals from all relevant fields (lawyers, geneticists, biologists, experimental physicians, pharmacologists, nurses, etc.) on the most significant current issues in Healthcare Ethics internationally.
- To provide specialised expert training to the Healthcare staff of state and private hospital institutions and clinics (doctors, anaesthesiologists, nurses, researchers) in relation to Healthcare Ethics, so that they may carry out their duties with safety and competence.

- To provide detailed and in-depth training to Healthcare staff (doctors, anaesthesiologists, nurses, researchers) on matters relating to legal issues concerning the exercise of their profession, so that slippages that would give rise to financial claims against themselves and their institutions may be avoided.
- To create highly specialised scientific staff capable of staffing research deontology committees in state and private hospital institutions.
- To foster critical thinking and promote dialogue relevant to Healthcare Ethics.

Admission requirements

- 1 Holders of an accredited Bachelor's degree at the time of registration
- 2 Sufficient command of the English language

Programme of Study Academic Specializations

Specialization	Awarded Degree (as it will be issued)
1 Bioethics	MAGISTER ARTIUM IN BIOETHICS - HEALTHCARE ETHICS (Concentration: Bioethics)
2 Healthcare Ethics	MAGISTER ARTIUM IN BIOETHICS - HEALTHCARE ETHICS (Concentration: Healthcare Ethics)

**BIOETHICS - HEALTHCARE ETHICS
PROGRAMME OF STUDY STRUCTURE**

Modules	Semester	Required / Elective	Pre-requisite Modules	Co-requisite Modules	Workload		
					Hours	ECTS	
Common for all Concentrations							
BIH511	History of Moral Theories	1	Required			250-300	10
BIH512	Human Rights and Theories of Rights	1	Required			250-300	10
BIHII521	Research Ethics, Deontology and Research Integrity	2	Required			250-300	10
BIHII614	Bioethics, Medical Ethics and Artificial Intelligence	3	Required			250-300	10
BIH701A	Master's Thesis I	3	Required	BIH511, BIH512, BIH513 or BIH514		250-300	10
BIH701B	Master's Thesis II	4	Required	BIH511, BIH512, BIH513 or BIH514	BIH701A	500-600	20
Concentration: Bioethics							
BIH513	Introduction to Applied Ethics and Bioethics	1	Required			250-300	10
BIHII528	Bioethics and the Life-Sciences	2	Required			250-300	10
BIH523	Bioethics and the Beginning of Life	2	Elective			250-300	10
BIH611	Neuroethics	2	Elective			250-300	10
BIHII615	Palliative Care and Geriatric Ethics	3	Elective	BIH511, BIH512		250-300	10
BIH612	Bioethics and Law	3	Elective			250-300	10

Modules		Semester	Required / Elective	Pre-requisite Modules	Co-requisite Modules	Workload	
						Hours	ECTS
BIH621	Global Bioethics	4	Elective			250-300	10
BIH622	Bioethics and Health Care Policies	4	Elective	BIH511, BIH512, BIH513		250-300	10
BIH695	Industry Placement (1st) ¹	3, 4	Optional	BIH511, BIH512, BIH513		-	5
BIH696	Industry Placement (2nd) ¹	4	Optional	BIH695		-	5
Concentration: Healthcare Ethics							
BIH514	Introduction to Applied Ethics and Medical Ethics	1	Required			250-300	10
BIH525	Introduction to Clinical Ethics	2	Required			250-300	10
BIH526	Medical Deontology	2	Elective			250-300	10
BIH527	Ethics and Reproductive Health	2	Elective			250-300	10
BIH613	Ethics and the Pharmaceutical Industry	3	Elective			250-300	10
BIH615	Palliative Care and Geriatric Ethics	3	Elective	BIH511, BIH512		250-300	10
BIH621	Global Bioethics	4	Elective			250-300	10
BIH623	Medical Ethics and Borderline Situations	4	Elective			250-300	10
BIH695	Industry Placement (1st) ¹	3, 4	Optional	BIH511, BIH512, BIH514		-	5
BIH696	Industry Placement (2nd) ¹	4	Optional	BIH695		-	5
Total						3000-3600	120

Notes

¹ The Modules are optional; they each correspond to 5 ECTS and do not count towards obtaining the Degree