

**PHILOSOPHY 331 A01**  
***Issues in Biomedical Ethics***  
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**Text:** Eike-Henner W. Kluge *Ethics in Health Care: A Canadian Focus*. (Pearson: Toronto, 2013)

Slides will be posted on CourseSpaces as appropriate.

**Formal Course Requirements and Grading Procedures**

Since this course deals with practical issues on the interf

## **Inappropriate behaviour and contraventions of academic integrity**

**7. Right to Health Care**

*Assigned reading:* Chapter 9

- A. Definition of “Health” and its Implications
- B. Health Care as a Right vs. Health Care as a Commodity
- C. The *Canada Health Act* and Significant Developments
  - Romanow Report, available at

<http://publications.gc.ca/site/archived-archived.html?url=http://publications.gc.ca/collections/Collection/CP32-85-2002E.pdf>

**8. Allocation of Medical Resources**

*Assigned reading:* Chapter 10

- A. Macro-Allocation
- B. Micro-Allocation
- C. Special Issues

**9. Personhood and Death**

*Assigned reading:* Chapter 7

- A. The Concept of Death
- B. Criteria for the Determination of Death

**Mid-term # 2 (app. March 7)**

**10. Assisted Suicide and Euthanasia**

*Assigned reading:* Chapter 7

- A. Assisted Suicide
- B. Killing vs. Letting Die
- C. Arguments For and Against Euthanasia
- D. Medical Assistance in Dying Act; available at <http://www.justice.gc.ca/eng/rp-pr/other-autre/adra-amr/>

**11. Abortion**

*Assigned reading:* Chapter 8

- A. The Status of the Human Embryo/Fetus
- B. Arguments For and Against Abortion
- C. Ethical relevance of Methods of Abortion

**12. The Right to Have Children**

*Assigned reading:* Chapter 11

- A. Ambiguity of the Concept
- B. Arguments For and Against the Right to Have Children
- C. Surrogate Motherhood and Related Issues

**13. Biotechnology**

*Assigned reading:* Chapter 12

- A. Ectogenesis
- B. Cloning
- C. Genetic Engineering, Etc.