

# ETHICS MINOR

The Ethics Minor nurtures the application of ethical and philosophical ideas toward concerns in social, political, economic, and cultural life. The chief goal of the program is to offer practically oriented, but philosophically based, expertise in ethics and normative theory.

The minor will also provide Eastern Washington University students with the cultural understanding, ethical decision-making, and critical thinking skills necessary for addressing the dilemmas faced by present and future professionals, policy makers, and citizens in general. It is designed to ensure that its recipients have a command of the basic theories of moral philosophy as well as a specialized knowledge of their applications in many areas of public life, including medicine, government, law, public policy, business, and education. Consequently, the curriculum includes both core courses essential to a solid foundation in moral thought and specialized courses in practical philosophy and applied ethics.

The minor will serve as a valuable credential to professionals who require a general understanding of the area, e.g. those who serve on ethics committees or compliance boards and those who seek advanced ethics training to meet licensure demands.

## Required Courses

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| PHIL 212 | INTRODUCTORY ETHICS     | 5 |
| PHIL 213 | MORAL ISSUES IN AMERICA | 5 |

## Elective Courses-choose two of the following 8-10

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| PHIL 311 | SOCIAL AND POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY |
| PHIL 417 | WOMEN AND ETHICS                |
| PHIL 445 | BIOMEDICAL ETHICS               |
| PHIL 447 | ENVIRONMENTAL ETHICS            |

## Electives outside Philosophy

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| AAS 310  | AFRICAN AMERICAN SOCIAL AND INTELLECTUAL THOUGHT FROM BOOKER T. WASHINGTON TO CORNEL WEST |
| CMST 431 | COMMUNICATION LAW AND ETHICS  |
| CRIM 340 | ETHICS IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE  |
| DSST 445 | DISABILITY AND ETHICS   |
| HUMN 340 | PERSPECTIVES ON DEATH   |
| SOWK 487 | LAW AND ETHICS IN SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE  |

## Total Credits 18-20

## Students who earn an Ethics Minor at EWU should be able to:

- analyze connections between ethics and law, culture, the environment, history and public policy;
- demonstrate understanding of, and be able to apply fundamental theories in ethics, including but not limited to deontology, utilitarianism, virtue and care perspectives, feminist ethics and pragmatism;
- refine and improve their own ethical perspectives in dialogue and critical writing.