Catholic Clinical Ethics

MASTER'S DEGREE & GRADUATE CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS OFFERED IN PARTNERSHIP WITH

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY Biomedical Graduate Education

THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA

CHC Catholic Health Association of the United States
This innovative program will advance Catholic health care’s leadership in providing high quality, compassionate care by preparing highly-trained professionals who can address complex changes in biotechnology and clinical treatments in light of human dignity and the moral teachings of the Catholic Church. We are pleased to provide CHA members with this distinctive opportunity for advanced professional development in partnership with Georgetown University Medical Center and The Catholic University of America.

SR. CAROL KEEHAN, DC
President and Chief Executive Officer
Catholic Health Association of the United States
Three prominent organizations, one distinctive degree program

New graduate certificate and master’s degree programs for leaders within Catholic health institutions.

Created in a unique collaboration with Georgetown University Medical Center, The Catholic University of America, and the Catholic Health Association of the United States, the new joint certificate and degree programs prepare leadership at Catholic health institutions to address complex social and ethical issues in health care, clinical treatment, genetics, biotechnology and policy within the framework of the Catholic moral tradition and teaching.

The program addresses both the clinical and moral implications of these issues across the broad spectrum of patient care, access, health management, ethical decision-making and policy development from a distinctly Catholic perspective.
NOW MORE THAN EVER

The development of Catholic Clinical Ethics is particularly timely in light of the urgent need for well-trained professionals to provide leadership and counsel in today’s challenging environment of rapid technological breakthroughs, limited resources, and shifting social trends.

These changes pose fundamental questions about the nature of life itself, human dignity, the common good, and high-quality care for everyone, especially for those who are poor and vulnerable.
Striving always to respond to the health care challenges of our times, Georgetown University Medical Center is particularly enthused to join with our colleagues at The Catholic University of America and Catholic Health Association of the United States to share our combined clinical, philosophical and theological expertise with the individuals who come to our program to study how Catholic health care can best address the ethical issues before it.”

BRUCE LUXON, MD, PH.D.

Anton and Margaret Fuisz Professor in Medicine, Chair, Department of Medicine, Georgetown University School of Medicine; Chief of Service, Department of Medicine, MedStar Georgetown University Hospital, Washington, D.C.
WHO WILL BENEFIT?

The certificate and master’s degree programs are ideally suited for:

+ Executives in mission or ethics in Catholic hospitals or health systems
+ Physicians, clinicians and medical professionals interested in augmenting their skills or expanding careers into medical ethics
+ Professionals with backgrounds in ethics, pastoral care or religious studies seeking to embark on or advance their career in Catholic health care
+ Members of Institutional Review Boards or ethics committees
+ Professionals in health policy or social services who seek professional skills in Catholic health ethics

This new partnership provides a truly unique opportunity to benefit from the clinical experience coupled with an in-depth study of the riches of Catholic Theology and its tradition of reflection on health, medicine, and the human person.

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In both programs, each course is offered online one evening per week for 12-14 consecutive weeks. Students participate together in online discussions at the same time and night each week to optimize learning and allow for robust interaction between faculty and students.
FACULTY AND MENTORS

All online courses are taught by prominent full-time faculty from Georgetown University Medical Center and The Catholic University of America. Students will also benefit from close interaction throughout the program with expert ethicist mentors from member hospitals and health systems of the Catholic Health Association.
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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHAT ARE THE APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS?
For both the MA and Certificate programs:

+ Email CatholicClinicalEthics@georgetown.edu with your intent to apply and to find out more information
+ Online Application Form
+ Non-refundable Application Fee
+ Personal Statement (Include your reasons for choosing Catholic Clinical Ethics as a career and your past clinical experience, if any)
+ Supplemental Data Sheet
+ Resume/CV (including publications, if applicable)
+ Official Transcripts mailed to:
  Georgetown Biomedical Graduate Education
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  Box 571411-M
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+ 3 Official Letters of Recommendation
+ Official Score Report for the TOEFL/IELTS (required for all non-native English speakers, see below)

WHAT ARE THE MA DEGREE REQUIREMENTS?
The MA in Catholic Clinical Ethics is a 30-credit program requiring completion of 16 core credits, 9 elective credits, three practicum credits and two capstone credits. Upon completion of coursework, the student must successfully complete portfolio and capstone projects.

WHAT ARE THE CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS?
The graduate Certificate in Catholic Clinical Ethics is composed of three core online courses (Philosophy of Medicine, Applied Ethical Reasoning, Foundations of Catholic Clinical Ethics (Case Analysis with ERD Emphasis) an elective, and a portfolio project, which add up to a total of 14 graduate credit hours.

IS THIS PROGRAM TAUGHT ENTIRELY ONLINE?
The Certificate program is entirely online, and involves both synchronous (face-to-face) instruction and asynchronous (student-led) instruction. The Master of Arts program includes online synchronous and asynchronous elements, in addition to an on-site 4-day practicum.

ARE THERE FULL- AND PART-TIME STUDY OPTIONS?
Full- and part-time programs are offered. Full-time students will complete two, 12-credit semesters (fall and spring) and one 6-credit summer semester.

Please email CatholicClinicalEthics@georgetown.edu for sample course schedules and to inquire further about full- and part-time study options.

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