

Highlights

- ❖ PG Diploma granted by Bharathiar University
- ❖ One of the few formal academic courses in Bioethics in India
- ❖ Facilitated by nationally and internationally trained faculty
- ❖ Offered in blended learning mode involving distance education, online activities and on-site sessions
- ❖ Scholarships available for deserving and meritorious applicants
- ❖ 2017-18 batch to commence in August 2017



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Postgraduate Diploma in Bioethics (PGDBE)

One-year Distance Education Course

Call for Admission
2017-18

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Overview

Bioethics is an exciting field of study which strives to answer some of the ethical questions that arise at the intersection of biomedical sciences, law, humanity and society. This one-year course offered by the Bharathiar University through distance education entails a self-directed blended-learning approach and is delivered in a multi-disciplinary environment. The overall objective is to build a basic understanding of topics in applied Bioethics through philosophical, religious, legal, and sociological foundations.

Entry Requirements

A graduate or higher degree in any of the disciplines relevant to Bioethics constitutes basic eligibility for admission. Preference will be given to those who demonstrate an aptitude towards Bioethics, as well as commitment to dedicate time and effort in fulfilling the academic requirements of the course.

Fee and Scholarships

The fee for the course is INR 45,000 which covers tuition along with selected course material, and lunch and snacks during the on-site sessions. Participants are expected to take care of their accommodation and travel expenses for the on-site sessions and examinations.

PSG management has generously offered four scholarships towards partial tuition fee waiver for the course. These scholarships are awarded on a competitive basis. A separate application should be submitted for the scholarship following your application for the course.

Course Format

The one-year distance education course involves remote activities, online and offline, as well as three-day contact sessions every quarter at the PSGIMS&R campus in Peelamedu, Coimbatore. A wide range of topics are covered in the course such as Basics of Bioethics, including History and Philosophical foundations, Bioethics and Religion, Bioethics and Law, Clinical Ethics, Public Health Ethics, Research Ethics including Clinical Trials and Ethical issues involved in recent advances in science and technology such as Genetics, Stem Cell Research, Assisted Reproductive Technology etc.

Other than didactic approaches, students would also engage in several interactive exercises facilitated by the faculty members, such as mock ethics review, movie, book and journal reviews and customized online activities.

Assessment

There will be continuous assessments in the form of assignments, presentations, journal critique, book review, and team activities. Examinations will be conducted by the University which include separate theory and practical papers. Candidates are also expected to complete a mandatory short project related to Bioethics by the end of the course, which will be evaluated as part of the University examinations.

Application Process

Please contact psgbioethics@gmail.com for application form and other details.