Ethics and Public Affairs (EPAF) Courses

EPAF 5000 [0.5 credit]
Topics in Ethics and Public Affairs
Students prepare for and attend a series of guest lectures, submitting in writing a critical analysis of some aspect of the presentation or discussion for each lecture they attend.

EPAF 5100 [0.5 credit]
Supervised Research Tutorial
On a particular public issue, students identify ethical concerns and a range of evidence-based and values-based arguments for alternative policy options, assessing the comparative strength of those arguments. Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): EPAF 6100.

EPAF 5200 [0.5 credit]
Ethics in Organizations
A seminar on proactive approaches to ethical issues in organizations including design and implementation of ethics programs based on research in ethics and social science.

EPAF 5300 [0.5 credit]
Values-based Deliberation
A seminar exploring examples of civic and government dialogues on public issues, in light of theoretical foundations of deliberative dialogue.

EPAF 5500 [0.5 credit]
Practicum
Students gain experience doing ethics-related work in government, business, civil society, or consulting. Students report on their work as required, and their performance is graded satisfactory or unsatisfactory. Includes: Experiential Learning Activity

EPAF 5800 [0.0 credit]
Workshop
This workshop provides opportunities for gaining practical knowledge about academic and professional work in ethics and public affairs, through sharing experience among new students, advanced students, faculty, and guest speakers. Continued registration in each year of the EPAF programs is recommended but not required. Prerequisite(s): Enrollment in Ethics and Public Affairs programs.

EPAF 6000 [0.5 credit]
Ethical Concerns in Public Affairs
A tutorial in which students identify the range of ethical concerns raised by a particular public issue chosen by the student. Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): enrolment in the Ph.D. Ethics and Public Affairs program.

EPAF 6100 [1.0 credit]
Public Reason I
A seminar on the nature and limits of public reason, with application to a particular public issue chosen by the instructors. Normative concepts and theories of ethics and political philosophy will be studied as relevant to that issue.

EPAF 6200 [1.0 credit]
Public Reason II
A seminar continuing from Public Reason I, with application to a different public issue, which makes relevant a different set of normative concepts and theories of ethics and political philosophy. Prerequisite(s): EPAF 6100.

EPAF 6300 [0.5 credit]
Theory Examination
Ph.D. comprehensive examination on main works and approaches in ethics and political philosophy.

EPAF 6400 [0.5 credit]
Area Examination
Ph.D. comprehensive examination on main works and approaches concerning the public issue on which the student wishes to conduct dissertation research, including relevant social science, ethics, and political philosophy.

EPAF 6909 [0.0 credit]
Ph.D. Thesis
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity