

Explorations in Health Science Honors RAP

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This program is located in Sycamore Hall in the Commonwealth Honors College Residential Area.

Students in the Explorations in Health Science Honors RAP will explore and discuss the ethical topics related to medicine and health care in their Intro to Medical Ethics course. In addition, students will also enroll in Ideas that Change the World. These courses satisfy both Honors and General Education requirements.

Students must be roommates with other students in this program.

Related Courses:

Phil 164H: Medical Ethics

Medical Ethics - This course will provide an advanced introduction to some of the most challenging ethical issues that arise in the context of medicine and health care. Topics will fall into five main categories: (1) the doctor-patient relationship, (2) medical research on humans and animals, (3) reproductive rights and technologies, (4) medical decisions at the end of life, and (5) the allocation of scarce medical resources.

Honors 201H - Commonwealth Honors Seminar - Ideas that Change the World

In this interdisciplinary, discussion-based seminar, students will examine innovative thinkers, groundbreaking ideas, and the strategies that transform these ideas into effective actions.

The course explores dilemmas addressed by the sciences, the arts, and the humanities. In each of these broad areas, the course focuses on questions about human nature, the sources of our knowledge, and the application of that knowledge to the solving of perennial and contemporary problems. The semester begins with inquiries into the nature of truth, of particular relevance in our era of debates over "alternative facts." Then the course considers ongoing problems of violence, injustice, and environmental crisis. Our inquiries will establish a dialogue between past and present as we examine historical figures such as W.E.B. Du Bois, Rachel Carson, along with present-day innovators such as Temple Grandin and the Dalai Lama.

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