

CLINICAL ETHICS MEDIATION, CERTIFICATE

This certificate option is only available to students who are enrolled in or have completed the Master of Bioethics program.

The Department of Medical Ethics & Health Policy now offers the Penn MBE Clinical Ethics Mediation Certificate. This Certificate can be added to the Master of Bioethics degree, offering students (and alumni) the opportunity to receive additional clinical ethics mediation training right here at Penn.

Students interested in pursuing the combined MBE/Clinical Ethics Certificate will complete an application for the certificate program, in addition to the MBE application. This additional application can be completed at the time of the original MBE application, or once the student is already admitted to the MBE program. Students will be granted admission based on professional goals related to clinical ethics. Prior experience in clinical ethics is not a required admissions criterion.

Students may complete the MBE and the Certificate concurrently, graduating both with the MBE and the Certificate in the same semester. Alternatively, a student can graduate with the MBE and then complete and be awarded the Certificate at a later date. All students who do not complete both at the same time are encouraged to work with the MBE office to create a plan for completion. Students who graduate before completing all of the Certificate requirements will have at most 2 years to complete the remaining coursework. MBE alumni who have not done any coursework toward the Certificate will have up to 5 years after receiving their MBE degree to apply for the Penn MBE Clinical Ethics Mediation Certificate.

For more information: <http://medicalethicshealthpolicy.med.upenn.edu/master-of-bioethics/certificate-in-clinical-ethics-mediation> (<http://medicalethicshealthpolicy.med.upenn.edu/master-of-bioethics/certificate-in-clinical-ethics-mediation/>)

Curriculum

The Certificate requires the completion of 12 course units: the 9 course units required for the MBE degree, and then an additional 3 additional course units for the Certificate.

Code	Title	Course Units
BIOE 6010	Introduction to Bioethics	1
BIOE 6020	Conceptual Foundations in Bioethics	1
Select one of the following:		1
BIOE 5650	Rationing & Resource Allocation	
BIOE 5800	Research Ethics	
BIOE 6030	Clinical Ethics	
BIOE 9990	Master of Bioethics Independent Study	1
BIOE 5400	Challenging Clinical Ethics: Managing patient/caregiver conflicts through mediation.	1
or BIOE 6030	Clinical Ethics	
Select five course units of electives		5
Select two of the following: ¹		2

BIOE 5450	Mediation Intensive I	
BIOE 5460	Mediation Intensive II	
BIOE 5470	Mediation Intensive III	
BIOE 5480	Mediation Intensive IV	
Total Course Units		12

¹ Each of the Mediation Intensive courses consists of 4 days of intensive practical training in mediation. To receive credit, students must also complete a 10-15 page writing requirement, due at the end of the semester in which the mediation course is being taken.

The degree and major requirements displayed are intended as a guide for students entering in the Fall of 2025 and later. Students should consult with their academic program regarding final certifications and requirements for graduation.