

# MEDICAL ETHICS, MSME

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The Master of Science in Medical Ethics (MSME) provides rigorous methodological and conceptual training in bioethics for postdoctoral scholars who aim to become academic bioethicists competing for and conducting externally funded empirical research. Although there are many bioethics-related masters-level graduate programs in the United States, none of these programs is designed to train physician-scientists or other scholars aspiring to empirically oriented bioethics faculty positions in academic medical centers and universities. Penn's MSME program fills this important need.

**For more information:** <http://medicalethicshealthpolicy.med.upenn.edu/education-master-of-science-in-medical-ethics> (<http://medicalethicshealthpolicy.med.upenn.edu/education-master-of-science-in-medical-ethics/>)

## Curriculum

Students complete 14.0 course units and must do so with a GPA of 3.0 or higher. Additionally, students must achieve a grade of B- or better in each course and must produce scholarly papers that are accepted for publication.

Code	Title	Course Units
<b>Core Requirements</b>		
BIOE 6020	Conceptual Foundations in Bioethics	1
BIOE 7010	MBE/MSME Proseminar	1
Satisfy one of the following content areas: <sup>1</sup>		1
<i>Policy</i>		
BIOE 5650	Rationing & Resource Allocation	
<i>Research Ethics</i>		
BIOE 5800	Research Ethics	
<i>Clinical Ethics</i>		
BIOE 6030	Clinical Ethics	
<b>Electives</b>		
Select 3 electives		3
<b>Mentored Research</b>		
Select 4 course units in Mentored Research		4
<b>Methods Training</b>		
Select 4 course units in Methods Training		4
<b>Total Course Units</b>		<b>14</b>

<sup>1</sup> Substitutions for this requirement are at the discretion of the department.

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The degree and major requirements displayed are intended as a guide for students entering in the Fall of 2024 and later. Students should consult with their academic program regarding final certifications and requirements for graduation.

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