



UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO
DALLA LANA SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Posting Date: July 20, 2026

JOB POSTING

SESSIONAL LECTURER for Winter 2027 Term, at .5 FCE – CUPE 3902 Unit 3

Course# & Course Title: PHL440H: Clinical Bioethics

Course Description:

This is an advanced study of topics in bioethics taught in conjunction with clinical bioethicists associated with the health care organization partners of the University of Toronto Joint Centre for Bioethics. This course is intended for Bioethics Major and Specialist students. The course explores both the theory and practice of clinical bioethics with the aim of deepening students' insight into the normative ethical features of clinical policy and practice, the interplay of biomedical science, law and policy in creating and shaping ethical issues in clinical care, the use of bioethics theory, principles and concepts to analyze and assess ethical issues in clinical care, and the practical ethical reasoning entailed in identifying, understanding, and responding to ethical issues in the real-world healthcare settings.

Course Learning Objectives:

- To explore the theory and practice of clinical bioethics
- To deepen insight into the normative ethical features of clinical policy and practice, including the interplay of biomedical science, law and policy in creating and shaping ethical issues in clinical care
- To examine the nature and scope of practical ethical reasoning entailed in identifying, understanding, and responding to ethical issues in the real-world healthcare settings
- To apply relevant bioethics theory, principles and concepts to analyze and assess ethical issues in clinical care

Estimated course enrolment: 30

Estimated TA support: n/a

Schedule: Fridays, 2-5pm

Sessional dates: January 1, 2027 to April 30, 2027

Salary: \$9,997.48 (Sessional Lecturer I)
\$10,699.22 (Sessional Lecturer I Long Term)
\$10,699.22 (Sessional Lecturer II)
\$10,953.96 (Sessional Lecturer II Long Term)
\$10,953.96 (Sessional Lecturer III)
\$11,228.90 (Sessional Lecturer III Long Term)

(Salary inclusive of 4% or 6% vacation pay, where applicable)

Please note that should rates stipulated in the Collective Agreement vary from rates stated in this posting, the rates stated in the collective agreement shall prevail.

Minimum Qualifications: PhD in Philosophy, Bioethics or related field. Detailed knowledge of the structure and organization of healthcare, including relevant health law and policy. Familiarity with the practice of clinical bioethics in healthcare settings and current ethical debates in clinical care policy and practice. Experience teaching bioethics in a university setting required.

Preferred Qualifications: Experience with the application of bioethics theory to practical matters of health care and/or policy strongly preferred. Previous experience teaching bioethics to undergraduate arts and sciences students preferred.

Description of duties: All normal duties related to teaching of a university credit course, including developing and delivering course content; organizing guest lecturers; developing, administering and grading assignments; maintaining regular communication with students; managing the Quercus course page; and calculating and submitting course grades.

Closing date: August 7, 2026

Application process:

All individuals interested in this position must submit a Curriculum Vitae, and the CUPE 3902 Unit 3 application form (PDF or RTF, also available at <https://uoft.me/CUPE-3902-Unit-3-Application-Form>) to:

c/o Christine Lowe
Dalla Lana School of Public Health
University of Toronto
Email: christine.lowe@utoronto.ca

This job is posted in accordance with the CUPE 3902 Unit 3 Collective Agreement.

Preference in hiring is given to qualified individuals advanced to the rank of Sessional Lecturer II and Sessional Lecturer III in accordance with Article 14:12.

Candidates who are members of Indigenous, Black, racialized and 2SLGBTQ+ communities, persons with disabilities, and other equity-deserving groups are encouraged to apply, and their lived experience shall be taken into consideration as applicable to the position.

It is understood that some announcements of vacancies are tentative, pending final course determinations and enrolment.

Please note: Undergraduate or graduate students and postdoctoral fellows of the University of Toronto are covered by the CUPE 3902 Unit 1 Collective Agreement rather than the Unit 3 Collective Agreement, and should not apply for positions posted under the Unit 3 Collective Agreement.