

## CMI COURSE CURRICULUM COURSE ACTION

**Course Title:** Ethics    **Alpha Number:** ETH101    **CIP No.** 32.0104

**Type of Action:**

- New Course (attach narrative justification for course creation)
- Substantive Revision (attach narrative justification for changes, including assessment and/or achievement data and feedback from the advisory committee if relevant)

Select all that apply:

- Change in number of credit hours
- Change in prerequisite
- Substantive change in course content
- Change to SLOs     Other:

Non-substantive Revision

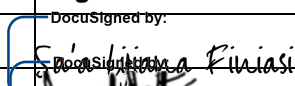
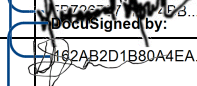

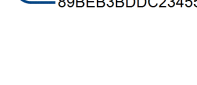
Select all that apply:

- Change in Alpha Number or Title (unless letter abbreviation has not previously been used)
- Edit to course description that does not alter the substance of the course
- Change to recommended texts
- Other: Change in number of contact hours from 48 to 45

Reinstitution of Archived Course (attach narrative justification for reinstitution, including evidence of demand, evidence of capacity, feedback from the advisory committee if relevant, and commentary that speaks directly to the reasons the course was initially archived)

Reaffirmation of Course (only allowable if course completion rate exceeds ISS, the benchmark has been met for the majority of SLO assessments, and there is no evidence of inequitable levels of achievement across subpopulations; attach evidence)

**Approvals:**

	Name	Signature	Date
<b>Department Chair</b>	Sa'a Lijiana Finiasi		6/5/2024
<b>Curriculum Committee Chair</b>	Desmond Doulatram		6/6/2024
<b>Dean</b>	Vasemaca Savu		6/5/2024
<b>VPASA</b>	Dr. Elizabeth Switaj		6/10/2024

**CMI COURSE OUTLINE****CIP No.** 32.0104**Version No.** 003ETH101Ethics**Alpha Number****Course Title****Previous Number:**

**Course Description:** Examine and discuss theories about what makes right and wrong. Explore questions such as the following: Why do good people do bad things? Do businesses have responsibilities other than maximizing profits? What is a government's responsibility to its people? At the end, students will discover the strengths and weaknesses of each ethical theory and be able to decide for themselves what justice is in society, what justice is in the world of business and finance, and what it means to be a good person.

**Course originally prepared by:** Business Studies Department2012**Most recent revision by:** Desmond Doulatram LAMay/2024**Course mode(s):**  Face to Face (including Zoom)  Hybrid  Distance Education**Credits calculated by:**  Credit Hour  Clock Hour**Contact Hours:** 45

Type	No. of Hours	No. of Credits	Maximum No. of Hours Online
Lecture/Seminar/Workshop	45	3	
Clinical			
Practicum			
Lab			
Fieldwork			
Studio Time			
<b>Total</b>	45	3	

**Purpose(s) of Course:** Degree Requirement \_\_\_\_\_  
Degree Elective LA \_\_\_\_\_  
General Education LA/BUS/NURS \_\_\_\_\_  
Credit Certification Accounting Clerkship \_\_\_\_\_  
Developmental \_\_\_\_\_  
CTE/TVET \_\_\_\_\_  
ABE/Adult HS \_\_\_\_\_

**Distribution Area:** Humanities \_\_\_\_\_  
Social Sciences x \_\_\_\_\_  
Mathematics (Credit) \_\_\_\_\_  
Science \_\_\_\_\_

**Prerequisite:** \_ENG 90s or placement into Credit English

**Student Learning Outcomes:** Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Explain the positions/arguments for one or more of the ethical theories discussed in class
2. Explain the role of psychology in ethical decision making in personal and workplace situations
3. Present a case study and/or an ethical dilemma and apply ethical reasoning in personal and workplace situations
4. Formulate an approach to ethical decision making.

**SLO Mapping:**

Prerequisite Course SLO	Linked SLO from this Course	Explanation
Apply new vocabulary, lecture language and information presented in academic lectures and discussion in presentation (ENG 097, SLO #3) Demonstrate critical reading strategies on a range of 100-level academic texts (ENG 099, SLO #1)	1. Explain the positions/arguments for one or more of the ethical theories discussed in class 2. Explain the role of psychology in ethical decision making	For students to successfully explain each of the SLOs, they will have to apply the vocabulary and information presented in their lectures and discussions to their explanations. They will also have to demonstrate critical reading strategies on their required texts to gather the necessary information for successful explanation of the course SLOs.
Demonstrate critical reading strategies on a range of 100-level academic texts (ENG 099, SLO #1) Implement the writing process independently in 3-5 paragraph academic essays and reflections (ENG 099, SLO #3) Produce written compositions with coherence, unity and minimal sentence-level grammar errors (ENG 099, SLO #4)	3. Present a case study and/or an ethical dilemma and apply ethical reasoning 4. Formulate an approach to ethical decision making	For students to successfully present a case study and/or an ethical dilemma and apply ethical reasoning or for students to formulate an approach to ethical decision making, students will have to demonstrate critical reading strategies to their required texts and implement the writing process in 3-5 paragraph academic essays and reflections written with coherence, unity, and minimal sentence-level grammar errors.

**Links to Program Learning Outcomes:**

SLO	Linked PLO	I/P/M	Explanation of Link
1	GE 01: Effective Communication: Communicate complex ideas and information effectively through writing, oral presentations and technological resources. LA 01: Civic Awareness, Multicultural Perspectives: Demonstrate civic	I	Students will be able to explain the positions/arguments for one or more of the ethical theories discussed in class effectively terminologies through writing, oral presentations and technological resources.

	<p>awareness and an understanding of multicultural perspectives.</p> <p>LA 03: Critical Thinking: Evaluate, analyze, and synthesize information from a variety of sources in order to (a) solve problems and (b) to formulate reasoned and substantiated individual points of view.</p> <p>LA 04: Effective Communication: Communicate complex ideas and information effectively to diverse audiences, using a variety of media and genres</p>		
2	<p>L A 2: Civic awareness</p> <p>L A 3: Critical Thinking</p> <p>G E 2: Civic Awareness</p> <p>G E 3: Critical Thinking</p>	I	Students will be able to explain the role of psychology in ethical decision making effectively through writing, oral presentations, and technological resources.
3	<p>GE 01: Effective Communication: Communicate complex ideas and information effectively through writing, oral presentations and technological resources. GE 05: Quantitative Literacy: Demonstrate quantitative literacy.</p> <p>LA 02: Creative Process: Apply the Creative Process.</p> <p>LA 03: Critical Thinking: Evaluate, analyze, and synthesize information from a variety of sources in order to (a) solve problems and (b) to formulate reasoned and substantiated individual points of view.</p> <p>LA 04: Effective Communication: Communicate complex ideas and information effectively to diverse audiences, using a</p>	I	Students will be able to explain a case study and/or an ethical dilemma and apply ethical reasoning effectively through writing, oral presentations, and technological resources; in the case of applying an ethical dilemma in business or accounting ethics, students must demonstrate quantitative literacy.

	<p>variety of media and genres.</p> <p>LA 05: Quantitative/Scientific Literacy: Demonstrate and use quantitative literacy and scientific method to analyze and solve problems.</p>		
4	<p>GE 03: Critical Thinking: Process, analyze, and synthesize information from a variety of sources in order to solve problems and to formulate reasoned and substantiated individual points of view.</p> <p>LA 02: Creative Process: Apply the Creative Process.</p> <p>LA 03: Critical Thinking: Evaluate, analyze, and synthesize information from a variety of sources in order to (a) solve problems and (b) to formulate reasoned and substantiated individual points of view.</p> <p>LA 04: Effective Communication: Communicate complex ideas and information effectively to diverse audiences, using a variety of media and genres.</p>	I	Students will be able to synthesize all the information learned in the course to formulate their own approach to ethical decision making.

**Course Content:** Although not limited to the following topics, Students in this course will be introduced to

1. Utilitarianism
2. Animal Rights
3. Libertarianism
4. Property and Capitalism
5. John Rawls
6. Charity
7. Business Ethics
8. Workplace Ethics and Psychology
9. Accounting Ethics
10. Free Speech
11. The Death Penalty
12. Assisted Suicide
13. Marshallese Customs and Behavior
14. Socrates' Theory of the Soul

- 15. Aristotle
- 16. Confucius
- 17. The Bhagavad Gita
- 18. Immanuel Kant
- 19. Moral Psychology

**Higher Order Thinking Skills: Student in this course will experience:**

- Analyzing the basic elements of an idea, experience, or theory
- Making judgments about the value or soundness of information, argument, or method
- Applying theories or concepts to practical problems or in new situations

**Recommended Methods of Instruction**

- Demonstration
- Lecture
- Small group discussion
- Class discussion
- Audio-Visual Aids
- Laboratory
- Supervised Practice
- Field Trips
- Other:

**Recommended Assessment Tool Type(s):**

- Case Study
- Critique of Performance
- Exam/Quiz In-Course
- Exam/Quiz Standardized (attach narrative describing development and validation process)
- Focus Group
- Group Project
- Individual Project
- Portfolio Review
- Presentation
- Simulation
- Skill Performance
- Supervisor Evaluation
- Survey
- Written Assignment

**Required Forms of Regular and Substantive Interaction for Hybrid or Distance Education Courses (Select at Least Two):**

- Direct instruction through:
  - Live video lectures
  - Live audio-only lectures
  - Live text chats
- Assessing or providing feedback on a student's coursework
- Providing information or responding to questions about the content of a course or competency through:
  - Live video discussions
  - Live audio-only discussions
  - Live text chats
  - Asynchronous message boards or text chats
- Facilitating a group discussion regarding the content of a course or competency through:

- Live video discussions  
 Live audio-only discussions  
 Live text chats  
 Asynchronous message boards or text chats  
 Other, specify:

Note: for distance education courses, if only two are selected, both must occur within the course on a weekly basis. If more than two are selected, the instructor may choose which two are used during each week.

### **Equipment and Materials:**

1. Recommended texts:
  - a. Sandel, Michael. Justice: What's the Right Thing to Do? New York, Farrar, Straus and Giroux, August 1, 2010. ISBN: 978-0374532505
2. Equipment/Facilities: a. Audio-visual equipment
3. Materials and Supplies: a. N/A

### **College Mission:**

The College of the Marshall Islands will provide our community with access to quality, higher and further educational services, prioritize student success through engagement in relevant Academic, Career and Technical Education, and be a center for the study of Marshallese Culture. It will also provide intellectual resources and facilitate research specific to the needs of the nation. EC approved 4th Nov, 2020. BOR approved 1st December, 2020

### **Connection to College Mission:**

The Liberal Arts Program strengthens the foundation of students' learning for transfer to higher studies and other educational prospects. It trains students to think critically and learn the foundation of historical theories and issues in Micronesia, the Pacific and in the world, the principles of ethics, philosophy, psychology, sociology, geography and the English classes. The Program trains its students to research and advocate for issues pertaining to the region and training them to serve the Marshall Islands, the wider Micronesia or outside the Pacific, as educated and responsible citizens. Ethics serves the College of the Marshall Islands by getting students to think critically and to understand the theories behind what makes right and wrong and what makes both a good person and a responsible citizen. Students can then take what they have learned and incorporate it into their personal lives, into the world of business, or into the world of government to serve the Marshall Islands, the wider Micronesia, or outside the Pacific.

### **Department Mission:**

The mission of the Liberal Arts Program is to prepare students for transfer and other future educational opportunities, through civic awareness, critical thinking and problem solving, information analysis and communication, and artistic expression.

### **Connection to Department Mission:**

The Liberal Arts Department, through the faculty, using current and effective teaching pedagogy, work closely with students to build their knowledge, awareness and critical thinking skills to better understand the world they live in, especially of their communities. Students also learn to improve their skills to clearly and confidently convey this knowledge, whether oral or written and supported by research, to their audience to bring about positive changes in a society. Ethics serves the Liberal Arts Department by getting students to think critically about ethical dilemmas in other societies in both the past and present; this gives students the critical thinking and problem solving skills necessary to improve their communities and bring about positive changes in their society

