

5-8 December 2023 Leuven, Belgium

# **NURSING ETHICS**



11<sup>th</sup> Edition of the Intensive Course on Foundational Approaches,

Contemporary and Educational Issues
in the Field of Nursing Ethics

Keynote Lecture

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#### **BACKGROUND AND OBJECTIVES**

Since the beginning of the 1980s, nursing ethics has developed to such a degree that it is now considered a fixture within applied ethics. The specific positions occupied within health care by nurses, their expertise and their responsibilities all result in them being confronted by ethically sensitive issues.

The objective of the 11<sup>th</sup> edition of the course is to foster exchanges on foundational and methodological approaches as well as on contemporary and educational issues in nursing ethics. More specifically, the aims of this course are:

- (1) To analyse *fundamental notions* that are being discussed in the field of nursing ethics, namely various notions of care, moral practice, the human person, vulnerability, dignity, and trust. As such, extensive understanding will be provided into the ethical and philosophical foundations of the practice of nursing.
- (2) To educate participants on a range of ethical topics that are predominant in the *contemporary debate* in nursing ethics, namely, nursing ethics perspectives on end-of-life care and on care for older adults. These topics will be explored from a philosophical-ethical perspective as well as from an empirical-ethical perspective.
- (3) To introduce participants into *methodological* and educational aspects of nursing ethics.
- (4) To establish exchange among national and international experts with respect to new developments in nursing ethics from an international perspective.

# **FORMAT**

This course works from an interdisciplinary (philosophical, theological, nursing, clinical-ethical) perspective. During the course, national and international experts will give presentations on various topics in the domain of nursing ethics. There will be time for intensive discussions. The language of instruction will be English.

#### **PARTICIPANTS**

The course is of interest to participants from diverse professional backgrounds, such as nursing, medicine, philosophy and theology, health care administration, and is open to health care workers, people from universities and university colleges, members of ethics committees, and PhD students undertaking courses of study in these areas.

The reading materials will be distributed electronically before the start of the intensive course.



**Tuesday, 5 December 2023 Foundational Issues** 

9h00-9h30: Welcome

9h30-11h00: Introduction into Nursing Ethics

Chris Gastmans

11h00-11h30: Break

11h30-13h00: Foundational Approaches to Nursing Ethics Chris Gastmans

13h00-14h00: Lunch

14h00-16h00: Foundational Approaches to Nursing Ethics: Small Group

**Discussions** 

Chris Gastmans



Wednesday, 6 December 2023 Contemporary and Methodological Issues

9h00-11h00: How Do Nurses Deal With Sexual Expression in Nursing

Homes?

Chris Gastmans

11h00-11h30: Break

11h30-13h00: Palliative Sedation: Ethical Issues From a Nursing

Perspective

Chris Gastmans

13h00-14h00: Lunch

14h00-15h30: Keynote Lecture: Empirical Ethics in Nursing

Bernadette Dierckx de Casterlé

15h30-16h00: Break

16h00-17h00: Keynote Lecture: Empirical Ethics in Nursing

Bernadette Dierckx de Casterlé



# Thursday, 7 December 2023 Contemporary Issues

**9h00-10h30: Moral Distress and Moral Leadership in Health Care** Yvonne Denier

10h30-11h00: Break

11h00-12h30: Moral Distress and Moral Leadership in Health Care: Small

**Group Discussion**Yvonne Denier

12h30-13h30: Lunch

13h30-15h00: Nursing Care for People Who Are Tired of Living: What Are the Ethical Issues?

Chris Gastmans

15h00-15h30: Break

15h30-17h00: Nursing Care for People Who Are Tired of Living: Small

**Group Discussion** 

Chris Gastmans

19:00: Dinner in the Faculty Club[www.facultyclub.be/en/], Grand Beguinage of Leuven (listed on the UNESCO World Heritage List)



Friday, 8 December 2023 Contemporary Issues

9h00-10h30: Resuscitation for Extremely Premature Infants: What Are the Ethical Issues?

Alice Cavolo

10h30-11h00: Break

11h00-12h00: Resuscitation for Extremely Premature Infants: What Are the Ethical Issues?

Alice Cavolo

12h00-13h00: Lunch and Farewell



Park Inn by Radisson Leuven Hotel

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#### REGISTRATION

The fee for the on-campus course will be € 895 if you register and pay as a participant before October  $15^{th}$  2023, € 995 for registration and payment from October  $15^{th}$  2023 onwards. Reduced registration fee for participants from Eastern Europe and Low Income Countries is € 695 (before October  $15^{th}$ ) and € 795 (from October  $15^{th}$  onwards). This fee includes tuition and course materials, as well as refreshments, four lunches and a dinner. Deadline for registration and payment: November  $25^{th}$  2023.

Detailed information on registration and payment can be found at our website:

<a href="https://www.kuleuven.be/english/summer-schools/nursing-ethics/nursing-ethics/nursing-ethics/">https://www.kuleuven.be/english/summer-schools/nursing-ethics/nursing-ethics/</a> or at <a href="https://www.cbmer.be">www.cbmer.be</a> under *Intensive Course in Nursing Ethics*.

Participants are expected to make their own travel and accommodation arrangements. Reduced room rates for course participants are available at ...

- <a href="http://www.Parkinn.com/hotel-leuven">http://www.Parkinn.com/hotel-leuven</a>
- Info.leuven@parkinn.com
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