A. Course Description

- Credits: 3.00
- Lecture Hours/Week: 3.00
- Lab Hours/Week: 0.00
- OJT Hours/Week: 0
- Prerequisites: None
- Corequisites: None
- MnTC Goals:
  - 06 – Humanities/Fine Arts
  - 09 – Ethical/Civic Resp

This course is an introduction to the study of ethics. Students will read, discuss, and write about texts from Classical and World philosophy. Emphasis will be placed on the process of criticism and the practical value of the ideas explored. Meets MnTC Goal 6 and 9

B. Course Effective Dates: 8/23/04 – Present

C. Outline of Major Content Areas

1. Divine command theory
2. Ethical egoism
3. Feminist ethics
4. Natural law theory
5. Relativism
6. Rights based ethics
7. Virtue ethics

D. Learning Outcomes

1. utilize written and oral communication skills
2. apply methods of analysis to solving contemporary ethical problems
3. explore historical philosophical questions
4. identify contemporary ethical problems
5. read and discuss principle methods of ethical analysis
6. work effectively in groups
E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

**Goal 06 — Humanities/Fine Arts**

1. Demonstrate awareness of the scope and variety of works in the arts and humanities.
2. Understand those works as expressions of individual and human values within an historical and social context.
3. Respond critically to works in the arts and humanities.
4. Articulate an informed personal reaction to works in the arts and humanities.

**Goal 09 — Ethical/Civic Resp**

1. Examine, articulate, and apply their own ethical views.
2. Understand and apply core concepts (e.g. politics, rights and obligations, justice, liberty) to specific issues.
3. Analyze and reflect on the ethical dimensions of legal, social, and scientific issues.

F. **Learner Outcomes Assessment**

As noted on course syllabus

G. **Special Information**

None noted