

## APPLIED ETHICS

**Course : 29(e) (Open course)**

**No of Credits: 4**

**No of Contact Hours: 90**

**OBJECTIVES: -**

To introduce the students to the basic concepts of Applied Ethics

### Module I

General Introduction ♦ Normative ethics and Applied Ethics -[philosophical analysis](#) of issues in public and private life ♦ Case based reasoning ♦ theory to particular case vs focusing on facts of case ♦ Ethical issues in technological age - the relevance of Applied ethics.

#### References

Peter Singer, *Practical Ethics*

Hans Jonas *Towards a philosophy of Technology* in *Philosophy of Technology* Oxford.

### Module II

Bioethics ♦ Termination of life (a) before birth ♦ abortion ♦ status of fetus- personhood ♦ (b) after birth - Euthanasia ♦ active and passive ♦ voluntary and involuntary. Surrogate motherhood

#### References

Walter Glannon, *Biomedical ethics*

Tom Beauchamp and Roy Walters, *Contemporary Issues in Bio-ethics*

Peter Singer, *Practical Ethics*

### Module III

Business ethics ♦ definition, need ♦ refutation of four myths of business ethics, Objectives ♦ analysis - evaluation, therapeutic advice, levels of business ethics ♦ the individual, the organizational, the associational, the societal and international. Business and the ethics of social responsibility

## **References**

Murthy C.S.V, *Business ethics*, Himalaya Publishers

Weiss Joseph, *Business ethics*, Wadsworth

Peter Singer, *Practical Ethics*

## **Module IV**

Media ethics ♦ The status of print and electronic media in Indian context ♦ the Fourth estate ♦ the media and the role based obligation ♦ response to public right to know of events of public importance and interest ♦ right to privacy , issues in information and gathering of news ♦ completeness, understanding, accuracy, objectivity, fact truth, avoiding bias and harm.

## **References**

Peter Singer, *Practical Ethics*

Mathew Kieran *Media Ethics ♦ A philosophical Approach*