



WAKE FOREST  
UNIVERSITY

CENTER *for* BIOETHICS,  
HEALTH & SOCIETY

## **Bioethics Proposals: Background**

The Center for Bioethics, Health, and Society welcomes a wide variety of bioethics proposals. Fundable projects include conceptual or empirical research, course development, community engagement, scholarly events and more. Funding may also be sought for the bioethics component of a scientific project for which funding is being sought from another source, including other Centers and Institutes in the University and Medical Center.

For a proposal to be regarded as a bioethics project or as containing a bioethics component, the applicant should clearly and specifically describe (1) what ethical questions or issues will be considered and how, and (2) a product or product component that will address the bioethics aspects of the project, whether normatively, descriptively, or empirically.

Bioethics is a field of multidisciplinary scholarship and practice that investigates the ethical, societal, and policy implications of activities and technologies in health care and the life sciences. Bioethics projects, and bioethics components of projects in health care or the life sciences, generally consider issues and questions that arise in clinician-patient relationships, in health and public health policy, or in biomedical research involving human-directed interventions. Examples include many aspects of broad topic areas like genetics, genomics, and biobanks; death and dying; health disparities, prevention, and health care reform; decision-making and informed consent; reproduction and the beginning of life; research ethics and oversight; research with animals; novel biotechnologies and their implications for humans and the environment; and many others.

Applicants who are unsure about how best to describe the bioethics aspects of their proposals or who seek bioethics collaborators to help address them are invited to contact Ana Iltis ([iltisas@wfu.edu](mailto:iltisas@wfu.edu)) or Nancy King ([nmpking@wakehealth.edu](mailto:nmpking@wakehealth.edu)) to arrange for further discussion.

## Proposal Application Process

Proposals must be submitted by any Wake Forest University faculty member who is a member of the Center for Bioethics, Health and Society. Center membership is open to all Wake Forest University faculty.\* Faculty may collaborate with students or community members, and may request up to \$8,000.00 for pilot research, course development, and major events. Up to \$5,000.00 per proposal may be budgeted for faculty salary support or stipends.

The due date is **the second Monday in January (9 January 2017)**. Projects may begin as early as March 1 and must be **completed by the end of that year's summer term**. All expenses incurred by the project must be submitted prior to the end of the fiscal year in which the funding occurs.

Proposals for smaller activities and single events, with requests up to \$1000.00, may be accepted on a rolling basis at any time subject to funding availability. Please contact Ana Iltis or Nancy King to discuss proposals that do not fit the timeline defined above.

\* To become a CBHS member, please send your name, email address, and relevant occupational information (e.g., department and position) to: [bioethics@wfu.edu](mailto:bioethics@wfu.edu). Further information can be found at: <http://bioethics.wfu.edu>

### Proposal Application Form

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Lead Faculty: \_\_\_\_\_

Title and Affiliation (Department/Office): \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Collaborator: \_\_\_\_\_

Title and Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Collaborator: \_\_\_\_\_

Title and Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

ADD ADDITIONAL NAMES AND CONTACT INFORMATION AS NEEDED

**Please insert the text of the proposal below. The proposal should include the following sections:**

**1. Project Title/Abstract**

**2. Project Timeline**

**3. Project Description** - Include additional pages and supporting information (e.g. links to speaker bios) as needed

**4. Significance** – Please describe how the proposed project will promote collaborative education, outreach, scholarship, or research relating to bioethics issues. For information about the CBHS and the theme, see <http://bioethics.wfu.edu/>

**5. Anticipated Outcome or Product**

**6. Evaluation Criteria to be used in the Completion Report**

**7. Total Budget** (Please break down by categories)

**a. Budget for proposed project** (please specify categories):

**b. Total Requested from CBHS:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**c. Other Funding Sources pursued/Cost share amounts** (Please specify the status of each of these requests, e.g., pending with anticipated date of notification, awarded, denied) Total Amount Requested (Budget requested from CBHS and other sources): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Submit proposals electronically to [bioethics@wfu.edu](mailto:bioethics@wfu.edu) by the second Monday in January.**

Funding decisions will be announced by February 1 of that year.

*Completion reports (a form will be emailed when a grant is awarded) must be submitted by Lead Faculty within one month of completion.*

<b><u>Reviewers' Action</u></b>	
Approved	_____
Not approved	_____
Additional requirements	_____
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