BIOETHICS AND HUMANITIES SEMINAR (scheduled for Fall Semester, 2017)

The Bioethics and Humanities Seminar is a one-credit hour elective course directed by Lauris Kaldjian, MD, PhD. The Seminar will meet every Tuesday from 12:00-12:50 PM (minus Thanksgiving week), starting August 22, 2017 and ending December 5, 2017. For a copy of the syllabus, click here.

The purpose of the Seminar is to provide an introduction to topic areas and themes that are central to bioethics and the humanities in the context of medicine. It will cover a diverse but inter-connected range of topic areas in bioethics and humanities, including ethical theory, contrasting approaches to ethics (principles, consequences, virtues), clinical ethics, moral agency and responsibility, diversity and culture, professionalism and humanism in medicine, research ethics, history and medicine, technology and the future, narrative ethics, and the use of literature in medicine.

Class size is limited to 15 students in order to create a setting that is conducive to engagement by all participants. Priority for enrollment is given to medical students but is also open to other students at the University of Iowa, as space allows.