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What You Should Already Know

There are no prerequisites for this course. You will learn how to balance freedom and responsibility to live humanely.

Learning Outcomes

When you have completed this course, you should be able to do the following:

1. Identify what being human means.
2. Describe the two worlds of experience: living true to moral beliefs (being humane) or resisting feelings of conscience (being inhumane).
3. Identify the characteristics of living responsibly.
4. Explain ethical action and identify the consequences of choices.
5. List the benefits of generational relationships.
6. Describe how to be a good citizen.

Course Materials

No additional materials are required for this course.

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Assignments

This course contains six units. These units ask you questions, but they also generate questions. My hope is that the units help you answer your own questions.

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Self Check activities are provided throughout the course and are for your benefit in preparation for taking graded assignments. Remember, Self Check scores do not count toward your grade. They are simply for practice and self-assessment.

Unit Quizzes

There are six unit quizzes in this course—one for each unit. Unit quizzes do count toward your course grade, so you should study first and then try to do your best on them.

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Exams

This course has a comprehensive final exam. The exam covers all of the ideas from the six units and occasionally asks you to apply the ideas to specific situations and draw conclusions.

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Grading

Your grade for this course is determined by how well you do on the six graded assignments and the final exam. The unit quizzes and final exam are weighted as follows:

Unit Percentage Breakdown	
Unit 1 Quiz	10%
Unit 2 Quiz	10%
Unit 3 Quiz	10%
Unit 4 Quiz	10%
Unit 5 Quiz	10%
Unit 6 Quiz	10%
Final Exam (Comprehensive)	40%

Grading Scale	
A	100–94
A–	93–90
B+	89–87
B	86–84
B–	83–80
C+	79–77
C	76–74
C–	73–70
D+	69–67
D	66–64
D–	63–60
E (fail)	59 or below

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