

**STATE UNIVERSTIY OF NEW YORK UPSTATE
MEDICAL UNIVERSITY
CENTER for BIOETHICS AND HUMANITIES**

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Time Requirements:	Office Hours: 8:30 am to 4:30 pm <u>Academic Year:</u> Average of 8 - 12 hours / week.
Position Requirements:	Health Law or Bioethics and the law is a pre or co requisite.
# of Externs per Academic Year:	1
Summer Participation:	No
# of Externs per Summer:	N/A
Website:	http://www.upstate.edu/cbh/
Special Note(s):	Third year students preferred, but not required.

The Center for Bioethics and Humanities at SUNY Upstate will provide an excellent opportunity to explore issues at the intersection of bioethics and law. The Center's faculty consists of medical, legal, and humanities scholars with a diverse range of interests, including: medical professionalism, global health, empathy, organizational and leadership ethics, understanding health care through literature and film, ethical issues at the beginning and end of life, child and mental health care ethics and policy, and evidence-based policymaking. An emerging area of particular interest relates to development of a social responsibility and medical activism (SRMA) program within the Center.

Anticipated legal research and writing projects may include:

- Track developments in key ethics-related legislation, e.g., end-of-life care planning (e.g., MOLST), genetic testing and discrimination, child mental health screening.
- Assist in research project focused on how hospitals interpret and follow the NYS mandate that they wait a "reasonable time" to accommodate families of brain dead persons before discontinuing life supports.
- Conduct legal research related to issues of interest to faculty members, including: end-of-life, genetics, organizational and leadership ethics, implications when family and friends ask for medical advice, and prospects for developing ethical *and* evidence-based health policy.
- Research model social responsibility programs at other medical schools and help identify policy opportunities for SRMA program.
- Study issues related to the SRMA program's curriculum and research.
- Assist in writing legislative updates on emerging issues for Center's "Bioethics in Brief" newsletter.
- Assist in article preparation (with co-authorship potential) for journals on health policy matters.

Primary supervisor and point of contact will be Assistant Professor Amy T. Campbell, JD, MBE. Associate Professor Robert Olick, JD, PhD, will provide additional support.

The student will have use of a computer and desk space at the Center. He/she will also have use of Center resources (e.g., printer, copier, fax machine), and will be given privileges to use the Upstate Health Sciences Library.