

# Decoding<sup>the</sup> Code

An online program in Catholic ethics  
for the health and aged care sector

“This initiative is aimed at forming  
leaders in ethics to strengthen  
the ministry of healing”.

**Suzanne Greenwood**  
CEO, Catholic Health Australia



## Date

**Tuesday 16 July 2019**

Online coursework over a number of weeks.  
This introductory seminar will be offered online only.

## Who will benefit?

Organisational and clinical leaders, executives  
and other mission leaders and staff

## Why attend?

To enhance knowledge, practice and confidence in  
applying the principles of Catholic ethics  
to the ministry of health and aged care.

## Registration

Register online here:  
[www.bbi.catholic.edu.au/Ethics](http://www.bbi.catholic.edu.au/Ethics)



## What you will learn

- competence in identifying effective processes for resolving ethical problems;
- confidence in applying the CHA Code of Ethical Standards;
- a deeper appreciation of the Catholic ethical vision and its core principles;
- an understanding of the nature of ethics and ethical problems;
- an ability to analyse and respond to specific cases especially those most common in Catholic health and aged care;
- access to resources to assist in addressing ongoing ethical challenges.

## About the Course

The eight-session course will:

- be based on the principles of adult learning and best practice online pedagogy;
- incorporate multi-media content from experts around Australia;
- integrate ethical principles via case studies and the day-to-day experience of participants;
- support ethical practice in both the clinical and wider organisational environment;
- foster reflective practice;
- require approximately two hours per session to complete (around 16 hours total);
- be uploaded fortnightly over a four month period;
- offer access to feedback and group learning via a tutor and online learning community.

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## Event Enquiries & Registrations

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**Course fee \$300 +GST per person**, including all course materials, tutorship and certificate of completion.

## Online Sessions

<b>Session 1</b>	The Questions and Situations which Give Rise to Ethics
<b>Session 2</b>	The Centre of the Catholic Ethical Vision: The Dignity of the Human Person
<b>Session 3</b>	The Groundwork of the Catholic Ethical Vision: Sources and Themes
<b>Session 4</b>	A Holistic Vision: The Human Person, Relationships and the Search for Meaning
<b>Session 5</b>	Sexuality, Beginning of Life and the Code
<b>Session 6</b>	Aged Care, End of Life and the Code
<b>Session 7</b>	Research Ethics, the Principle of Cooperation and the Code
<b>Session 8</b>	Making the Catholic Ethical Vision Real

## Facilitated by



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Xavier Symons is a Research Associate in the Institute for Ethics and Society, University of Notre Dame Australia. He is also PhD candidate with the Centre for Moral Philosophy and Applied Ethics at the Australian Catholic University. Xavier's research interests range from ethical issues at the beginning and end of life, to conscientious objection in medicine and the role of religion in medical practice. He also has an interest in Catholic social teaching and the ethics of healthcare resource allocation. He will shortly submit his PhD thesis, which focuses on the allocation of lifesaving healthcare resources.

Xavier has taught Catholic Social Teaching and bioethics at the ACU for several years, and has worked with the Catholic healthcare sector on several projects related to ethics education. Xavier has also had significant international research exposure. In 2018, Xavier was awarded the first annual Pellegrino Young Scholar's Essay Prize, and award administered by the Pellegrino Centre for Clinical Bioethics at Georgetown University. He was also the recipient of the 2018 Archbishop Mannix Travelling Scholarship – an award that he is using to complete a Master of Studies in Practical Ethics at the University of Oxford. From February 2016 to January 2019, Xavier was a lay member of the Austin Hospital's Human Research Ethics Committee. He is also a regular contributor to the online bioethics news-service BioEdge.

