

# What is “Life”?

## Lecture Series on Bioethics and Bioinformatics

Thursdays 6:00 - 7:30 pm

The University of St. Michael's College

Brennan Hall - Room 200 (BR200)

Series Organizer / Moderator: Stuart J. Murray

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**Hippocrates' Oath: The Code of Ethics in Medicine**  
**Twyla Gibson** (Toronto), Adjunct Professor, Faculty of Information Studies, McLuhan Program in Culture & Technology
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(6 - 8 pm)  
**Life, Personhood, and Death: Professional Experiences**  
**Dr. Abdallah S. Daar** (Toronto), Professor of Public Health Sciences and of Surgery, Director of the Program in Applied Ethics and Biotechnology, Co-Director of the Canadian Program on Genomics and Global Health, and Director of Ethics and Policy at the McLaughlin Centre for Molecular Medicine  
in dialogue with  
**Life, Personhood, and Death: Legal Approaches**  
**Bernard Dickens** (Toronto), William M. Scholl Professor Emeritus of Health Law and Policy, Faculty of Law, Faculty of Medicine, Joint Centre for Bioethics
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**The Bioethics of Everyday Life**  
**Donald Ainslie** (Toronto), Associate Professor and Chair, Department of Philosophy
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**Ethical Consent and the UK Gender Recognition Act (2004)**  
**Sarah K. Burgess** (UC Berkeley), C.Phil., Department of Rhetoric
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**Neo-liberalism and the Governance of Life:  
The Case of Pre-implantation Genetic Diagnosis (PGD)**  
**Ann Robertson** (Toronto), Associate Professor, Department of Public Health Sciences, Faculty of Medicine, Institute for Women's Studies and Gender Studies, Joint Centre for Bioethics
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November  
**Hail the Cure!: Althusser, Bioethics, and Biopolitics**  
**Bradley Bryan** (Victoria), SSHRC Postdoctoral Fellow and Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science  
*N.B. This lecture will be held at Victoria University, Emmanuel College - Room 1 (EM1)*
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**A Modest Proposal:  
The Neurobiological Effects of Female Genital Cutting**  
**Dr. Gillian Einstein** (Toronto), Associate Professor of Public Health Sciences and Associate Director, Centre for Research in Women's Health
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**Towards a Prehistory of the Postanimal:  
Regarding the Life of Brutes**  
**David L. Clark** (McMaster), Professor, Department of English and Cultural Studies, Health Studies Programme