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## Research interests

Outcomes-based quality improvement in healthcare  
Patient-centered, digital technologies and innovation  
Process engineering in healthcare  
Clinical ethics consultation  
Patient-centered decision making  
Surrogate decision making  
Transplantation ethics  
Critical care ethics

## Qualifications

MA, Case Western Reserve University  
Aug 1 2008 → Aug 1 2010  
Award Date: May 1 2010

JD, University of Houston Law Center  
May 1 2005 → Dec 1 2008  
Award Date: Dec 1 2008

BA, Texas A&M University  
Aug 1 2000 → May 1 2004  
Award Date: May 1 2004

2010 → ... Certification in Mediation and Dispute Resolution

2009 → ... Bar License--State of Texas, Esq.

## Employment

### Associate Professor of Medicine

Academic Institute  
United States  
Jul 1 2018 → present

### Department of Medicine

United States  
Jul 1 2018 → present

### Houston Methodist

Houston, United States  
Apr 2 2018 → present

### Adjunct Associate Professor

Texas A&M Health Science Center  
College Station, United States  
Mar 1 2018 → present

### **Asst. professor of medicine and medical ethics**

Baylor College of Medicine  
Houston, United States  
Jul 1 2011 → Mar 1 2018

### **Postdoctorate fellow**

Cleveland Clinic Foundation, Cleveland, OH, USA.  
Jul 1 2008 → Jul 1 2010

## **Research outputs**

### **Assessing the Impact of Patient-Facing Mobile Health Technology on Patient Outcomes: Retrospective Observational Cohort Study**

Bruce, C. R., Harrison, P., Nisar, T., Giammattei, C., Tan, N. M., Bliven, C., Shallcross, J., Khleif, A., Tran, N., Kelkar, S., Tobias, N., Chavez, A. E., Rivera, D., Leong, A., Romano, A., Desai, S. N., Sol, J. R., Gutierrez, K., Rappel, C., Haas, E. & 5 others, Zheng, F., Park, K. J., Jones, S., Barach, P. & Schwartz, R., Jun 26 2020, In : *JMIR mHealth and uHealth*. 8, 6, p. e19333 e19333.

### **How Clinician–Family Interactions Potentially Impact Clinicians’ Conceptualization and Discussions Regarding Prognostic Uncertainties**

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### **Developing, Administering, and Scoring the Healthcare Ethics Consultant Certification Examination**

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### **Managing conflict when there's disagreement in care between medical providers, caregivers, and patient**

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### **Why Families Get Angry: Practical Strategies for Clinical Ethics Consultants to Rebuild Trust Between Angry Families and Clinicians in the Critical Care Environment**

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### **Stakeholder insights from Zika virus infections in Houston, Texas, USA, 2016–2017**

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### **The work of ASBH's Clinical Ethics Consultation Affairs Committee: Development processes behind our educational materials**

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### **Legislating medicine: The need for evidence, argument, and alliance**

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### **Legislating how critical care physicians discuss and implement do-not-resuscitate orders**

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**Setting Expectations for ECMO: Improving Communication Between Clinical Teams and Decision Makers**  
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**Patients' perspectives on transplantation while undergoing left ventricular assist device support**  
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**A Qualitative Exploration of a Clinical Ethicist's Role and Contributions During Family Meetings**  
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**Cultivating Administrative Support for a Clinical Ethics Consultation Service**  
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**Moral Distress: Professional Integrity as the Basis for Taxonomies**  
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**Development and validation of a patient-centered knowledge scale for left ventricular assist device placement**  
Kostick, K. M., Minard, C. G., Wilhelms, L. A., Delgado, E., Abraham, M., Bruce, C., Estep, J. D., Loebe, M., Volk, R. J. & Blumenthal-Barby, J. S., Jun 1 2016, In : *Journal of Heart and Lung Transplantation*. 35, 6, p. 768-776 9 p.

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**Not There Yet: Evaluating Clinical Ethics Consultation in an Accountability Culture**

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**Content Analysis of Social Media Related to Left Ventricular Assist Devices**

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**A Code of Ethics for Health Care Ethics Consultants: Journey to the Present and Implications for the Field**

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**A Risky Recommendation**

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**Emergent Ethics Consultation Requested From the Operating Room**

Bruce, C., Jan 2 2015, In : American Journal of Bioethics. 15, 1, 1 p.

**Ventricular assist devices as destination therapy: psychosocial and ethical implications**

Grogan, S., Kostick, K., Delgado, E. & Bruce, C., Jan 1 2015, In : Methodist DeBakey cardiovascular journal. 11, 1, p. 9-11 3 p.

**Practical guidance for charting ethics consultations**

Bruce, C., Smith, M. L., Tawose, O. M. & Sharp, R. R., Mar 1 2014, In : HEC Forum. 26, 1, p. 79-93 15 p.

**Revisiting surrogate consent for ventricular assist device placement**

Bruce, C., Bhimaraj, A. & Smith, M. L., Mar 1 2014, In : *Annals of Thoracic Surgery*. 97, 3, p. 747-749 3 p.

**An embedded model for ethics consultation: Characteristics, outcomes, and challenges**

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**Case study. Bad words. Commentary.**

Bruce, C. & Smith, M. L., Jan 1 2014, In : *The Hastings Center report*. 44, 2, p. 13-14 2 p.

**Challenges in deactivating a total artificial heart for a patient with capacity**

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**Same Goal, Different Path**

Peña, A., Bruce, C. & Majumder, M. A., Jan 1 2014, In : *American Journal of Bioethics*. 14, 1, p. 23-24 2 p.

**Ventricular assist devices: A review of psychosocial risk factors and their impact on outcomes**

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**"Systematizing" Ethics Consultation Services**

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**The "Permanent" Patient Problem**

Bruce, C. & Majumder, M. A., 2014, In : *Journal of Law, Medicine and Ethics*. 42, 1, p. 88-92 5 p.

**Cascade effects in critical care medicine: A call for practice changes**

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**Patient-to-patient encounters: Benefits and challenges**

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**A review of ethical considerations for ventricular assist device placement in older adults**

Bruce, C., Jan 1 2013, In : *Aging and Disease*. 4, 2, p. 100-112 13 p.

**Ethical dilemmas surrounding the use of ventricular assist devices in supporting patients with end-stage organ dysfunction.**

Bruce, C., Brody, B. & Majumder, M. A., Jan 1 2013, In : *Methodist DeBakey cardiovascular journal*. 9, 1, p. 11-14 4 p.

### **Lessons learned from the case of Sarah Murnaghan**

Bruce, C., Jan 1 2013, In : Journal of Heart and Lung Transplantation. 32, 9, p. 937-938 2 p.

### **"In Love With Easeful Death:" Review of the Film How to Die in Oregon**

Bruce, C., Dec 1 2012, In : American Journal of Bioethics. 12, 12, p. 66-67 2 p.

### **Informed decision making for in-home use of motion sensor-based monitoring technologies**

Bruce, C. R., Jun 2012, In : Gerontologist. 52, 3, p. 317-324 8 p.

### **A systematic review of activities at a high-volume ethics consultation service**

Bruce, C., Smith, M. L., Hizlan, S. & Sharp, R. R., Jan 1 2011, In : Journal of Clinical Ethics. 22, 2, p. 151-164 14 p.

### **Please don't call my mom: Pediatric consent and confidentiality**

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### **Is there a duty to inform patients of phase I trials? Commentary 1**

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### **Lethal injections: Legal extensions and implications of "do no harm"**

Bruce, C., Oct 1 2008, In : American Journal of Bioethics. 8, 10, p. 58-59 2 p.

## **Activities**

### **Innovating Critical Care Post COVID-19: Reliant Energy Presentation**

Courtenay Bruce (Speaker)

Oct 29 2020

### **Innovating Critical Care Post-COVID 19: Chevron Presentation**

Courtenay Bruce (Speaker)

Oct 27 2020

### **Implementing patient-facing digital pathways to positively impact patient outcomes.**

Courtenay Bruce (Speaker)

Sep 11 2020

### **JMIR mHealth and uHealth (Journal)**

Courtenay Bruce (Peer reviewer)

Jun 26 2020

### **Expanding Standardized, Systematized Outpatient Pathways**

Courtenay Bruce (Speaker)

Dec 9 2019

### **The Hastings Center report (Journal)**

Courtenay Bruce (Peer reviewer)

Sep 2019

### **Ethical Issues in Health Policy: What's Justice Got to Do with It?**

Courtenay Bruce (Speaker)

Apr 2 2019

### **Physician and Provider Engagement and Resilience**

Courtenay Bruce (Speaker)

Apr 1 2019

**The new DNR law: What do I do?**

Courtenay Bruce (Speaker)  
Jan 19 2019

**Medical professionals' perspectives on advance directives: What we wish patients, families, and lawyers knew**

Courtenay Bruce (Speaker)  
Jan 17 2019

**Digital Innovations Transforming Patient Engagement**

Courtenay Bruce (Speaker)  
2019

**Advance Care Planning: Tips and Strategies**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2017

**Communicating Prognostic Uncertainty to Patients or Surrogates: It's Far More Complex than the Absence of Knowing.**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2017

**Cultivating an Ethical Environment and Culture within Hospitals as a Means to Enhance Quality**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2017

**Developing and Testing a Comprehensive Tool to Assess Family Meetings: Empirical Distinctions between High- and Low-Quality Meetings**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2017 → ...

**Ethics of Novel Devices/Procedures**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2017

**HARRIS HEALTH SYSTEMS, TEXAS (3 hospitals)**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Advisor)  
2017

**Introduction to Neuroethics**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2017 → ...

**Navigating Conflicts Involving Surrogate Decision Makers**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2017 → ...

**Time-Limited Trials in Oncology**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2017

**UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY and the KENTUCKY ETHICS CONSORTIUM (6 HOSPITALS)**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Advisor)  
2017

**Using Time-limited Trials and Other Mediation Strategies to Facilitate Communication and Decision Making with Patients and Families in the ICU**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2017

**Barriers and Facilitators to Initiating and Completing Time-Limited Trials in Critical Care Medicine**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2016 → ...

**Critical Care Ethics**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2016 → ...

**Development and Pilot-Testing of a Patient Decision Aid for Left Ventricular Assist Device Placement**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2016 → ...

**Ethical Challenges in Healthcare Leadership**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2016 → ...

**Ethical Issues Associated with Xenotransplantation and Tissue-Engineering**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2016

**Ethical Issues at the End-of-Life**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2016

**Ethically Appropriate Approaches to Conducting Family Meetings and Responding to the Hope for a Miracle**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2016 → ...

**Ethically-Appropriate Communication Strategies to Use with Surrogate Decision Makers. Christus Santa Rosa Health System [6 hospitals]**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2016 → ...

**Guidelines for Complex ECMO Cases**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2016 → ...

**I Do Not think it means what you think it means: a New Definition of Standard of Care**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2016 → ...

**Leading or Facilitating Family Meetings: Development and Testing of Evaluation Tools**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2016 → ...

**Mediation Strategies to Use in Disputes about Life-Sustaining Treatment**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2016 → ...



**On the Road Again: Case Compendium Supplement for the Education Guide**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2016 → ...

**SANFORD HEALTH IN BISMARK, ND (4 hospitals)**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Advisor)

2016 → 2018

**Assessment of Patients' and Caregivers' Informational and Decisional Needs for Left Ventricular Assist Device Placement: Implications for Informed Consent and Shared Decision Making**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

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Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

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**Assessment of Patients' and Caregivers' Informational and Decisional Needs for Left Ventricular Assist Device Placement: Implications for Informed Consent and Shared Decision Making.**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2015 → ...

**Bioethics Services Nationwide**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2015

**Cascade Effects in Primary Care Medicine**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2015 → ...

**Case Discussion on Conflicts between Advance Directives and Surrogates' Interpretations of Patients' Wishes**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2015

**Communication about End-of-Life Decision Making for Primary Care Physicians**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2015

**Communication Techniques for Advance Care Planning**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2015 → ...

**Complex Cases Involving Surrogacy and Case Management**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2015

**Conducting or Facilitating Family Meetings: Communicating Well and Not-so-Well**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2015

**Destination Therapy by Choice? Patients' Perspectives on Why Ventricular Assist Device Therapy May Be Preferable To Cardiac Transplantation**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2015 → ...

**Development and Dissemination of the Code of Ethics: Its Evolution, Its Elements, and Its Implications**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2015 → ...

**Development and Validation of Patient-Centered Knowledge Scale for LVAD Placement**

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2015 → ...

**Ethical Considerations for Deactivating Mechanical Circulatory Support Devices**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2015 → ...

**Ethical Management of Transplant Cases Involving Alcoholics**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2015

**Ethics Consultation from first request through chart note and follow up: An Interactive Workshop**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

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Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

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**Healthcare Professionals' Moral Distress**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2015

**Healthcare Professionals' Moral Distress in Dealing with Complex Cases & Patients**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2015

**How to Engage in Advance Care Planning Conversations**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2015

**Informed Refusal of a Transplant for a Pediatric Patient**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2015

**Medical Ethicists: Who are we and What Do We Do?**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2015

**Moral Distress and its Relevance to Chaplains**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2015

**Navigating Ethical Conflicts between Surrogate Decision-Makers**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2015

**Nurses' Moral Distress**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2015

**Reasons Why Eligible Candidates Decline Left Ventricular Assist Device Placement**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
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Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2015

**Reconceptualizing Shared Decision Making**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2015 → ...

**Resilience: Dialysis & Transplant Care Provider Burnout**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2015 → ...

**The Predictive Value of the SIPAT for Clinical Outcomes in End-Stage Heart Failure Candidates**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2015 → ...

**The Role of the Clinical Ethics during a Family Meeting: Enhancing Facilitation Skills." Presenter**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2015 → ...

**Transplant Ethics**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2015 → ...

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Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2015

**Using Interpreters during Family Meetings: When to use Them, What Type, and Strategies for Optimal Communication**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2015 → ...

**Value Development in Clinical Ethics: Must Clinical Ethicists Be Ethical**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2015 → ...

**Ventricular Assist Devices as Destination Therapy: Psychosocial and Ethical Implications**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2015

**Watching Train Wreck Cases Happen Every Day Kills Me: Healthcare Professionals' Moral Distress.**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2015

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Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2015

**Cascade Effects in Critical Care Medicine**

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**Case Studies on Liver Transplantation: Surgical, Medical, and Ethical Approach**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2014

**Code of Ethics for Clinical Ethicists**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2014 → ...

**Communication Techniques to Use in Family Meetings**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2014

**Conducting a Systematic Review of Psychosocial Risk Factors and Their Impact on VAD-related Outcomes**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2014 → ...

**Developing and Testing of a Decision Aid for Ventricular Assist Device Placement."**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2014 → ...

**Ethical Analysis Underlying the New Allocation System in Kidneys**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2014

**Ethical Considerations Associated with Alzheimer's Disease**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2014 → ...

**Ethical Issues for Caregivers of Alzheimer's Patients**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2014

**Ethical Issues with Older Adults**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)

2014

**Liver Transplantation and Alcoholics: Is this a Good Mix?**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2014

**Moral Distress in the Context of End-of-Life Decision Making**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2014

**Moral Distress in the ICU**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2014

**Nurses' Moral Distress.**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2014

**Systematizing' Ethics Consultation Services**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2014 → ...

**Testing and Development of Decision Aids**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2014 → ...

**The 'Ethics' of Medical Futility**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2014

**The 'Permanent' Patient Problem**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2014

**The Use of The Stanford Integrated Psychosocial Assessment for Transplantation (SIPAT) Tool: A Single Center Experience at a Transplant/LVAD Hospital**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2014 → ...

**Transplant Ethics: A Multidisciplinary Approach on Substance Abuse**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2014

**Transplant Psychiatry and Ethics—the Consultants**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2014 → ...

**A Systematic Review of Activities of a High-Volume Ethics Consultation Service**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2013 → ...

**Cases that Haunt Us: A 10-year-old Patient's Crime." Treuman Katz Center for Pediatric Bioethics**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2013 → ...

**Introduction to Ethical Challenges for Speech Pathologists**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2013

**Nudging Conversations: Ethically-Appropriate and Evidence-Based Communication Strategies**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2013

**Should Patients who Abuse Alcohol Receive a Liver Transplant? Leading Innovative Care in Transplantation**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2013

**The Ethics of Futility**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2013

**The Ethics of Perioperative DNR orders**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2013

**Watching Train Wreck Cases Happen Every Day Kills Me**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2013

**Watching Train Wreck Cases Happen Every Day Kills Me: Health Care Professionals' Moral Distress.**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2013

**Communicating About Medical Futility**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2012

**Communication Techniques to use in Disputes b/t Family members and Clinicians**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2012

**Ethical Issues in Advanced Life Support**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2012

**Introduction to Clinical Ethics**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
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2012

**Introduction to Surgical Ethics**  
Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2012

**Pearls of Wisdom for Clinical Ethicists**  
Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2012

**Surrogacy and Brain Death Laws Examined from A Bioethics Perspective: What the Laws Fall Short in Dealing with Patients' Families**  
Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2012

**The Ethical Challenges of Ventricular Assist Devices: Proposals and Frameworks for Addressing the Challenges**  
Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2012 → ...

**The Evolving Charting Practices of Ethics Consultants**  
Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2012 → ...

**Watching Train Wreck Cases Happen Every Day Kills Me**  
Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2012

**Writing Clinical Ethics Chart Notes**  
Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2012

**CAM to Kids: Pediatric Abuse/Neglect in the Complementary and Alternative Medicine Setting**  
Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2011

**Clinical Ethics and Professionalization**  
Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2011

**Consultant, National Institute of Health, Bioethics for high school teachers**  
Courtenay R. Bruce (Advisor)  
2011

**Developing Critical Thinking Skills: Undergraduate Teaching using Clinical Ethics Cases."**  
Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2011

**•Ethics seminars for UHC nursing residency program at Houston Methodist Hospital (4 times a year; including preparation, annual total 12 hours); 2011-2015; Ethics seminars for ELITE nursing program at Houston Methodist Hospital (20 times a year; including preparation, annual total 50 hours); 2011-2015 •Ethics seminars for University of Texas nursing students (7 times a year; including preparation, annual total 30 hours); 2011-2015**  
Courtenay R. Bruce (Advisor)  
2011 → 2018

**Euthanasia, End-of Life Decision-Making, and Palliative Sedation: The Uncertainties.** Sacred Heart Parish, Diocese 5  
Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2011

**HOUSTON METHODIST HOSPITAL SYSTEM, TEXAS**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Advisor)  
2011 → 2017

**Innovative Interventions and Professionals' Moral Distress [Case Study: LVADs]**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2011

**Introduction to Transplant Ethics for New Transplant Coordinators**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2011 → 2015

**Kidney and Liver: Transplantation Ethics**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2011 → 2015

**lecture internal medical residents, neurology residents, and oncology residents of the Methodist Hospital System. Teach for BCM's GME program in ethics (time = 100+ hours annually; 1,300 residents each year)**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Advisor)  
2011 → 2018

**Mentoring in clinical ethics consultation (2011-present). Mentored 3 faculty members in clinical ethics consultation; 3 fellows (time=15-20 hours each week for 4-5 consecutive months, annually)**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Advisor)  
2011 → 2018

**Moral Distress: Practical Applications and Interventions for the Health Care Provider.**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2011

**O'CONNOR HOSPITAL, San Jose, CA**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Advisor)  
2011

**TEXAS CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Advisor)  
2011

**The Texas Advance Directives Acts: What Texas Hospitals Have Learned (So Far)**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2011

**A Systematic Review of Activities of a High-Volume Ethics Consultation Service.**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2010

**CAM to Kids: Pediatric Abuse/Neglect in the Complementary and Alternative Medicine Setting**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2010



**Experiences and Activities of an Embedded Ethics Consultation Service**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2010

**'Forcing' Truth on Patients v. 'Offering' Truth: Professionals' Responsibilities**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2010

**Challenging the Framework of Cardiac Devices and DNR Orders**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2009

**Ethics Consultant, Can We Consider Financial Disincentives/Incentives in Making Health Care Decisions for Our Patients?**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2009

**Guidance for Newly-Instituted Ethics Consultation Services, Based on an Analysis of 487 Ethics Consultations at Cleveland Clinic.**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2009

**Innovative Interventions and Professionals' Moral Distress [Case Study: LVADs]**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2009 → ...

**Introduction to Bioethics and the Role of Clinical Ethicists**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2009

**Introduction to Bioethics in the Surgical Intensive Care Unit**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2009

**The Role of the Clinical Ethics Consultant in Cases Involving 'Difficult' Parents of Pediatric Patients**

Courtenay R. Bruce (Speaker)  
2009

**Digital Innovations Transforming Patient Engagement**

Courtenay Bruce (Speaker)  
Jan 31 2003

**Prizes**

**Academy of Distinguished Educators**

Bruce, Courtenay (Recipient), 2017

**Bioethics Network of Ohio Writing Award**

Bruce, Courtenay (Recipient), 2010

**Chevron Award**

Bruce, Courtenay (Recipient), Aug 18 2020

**Chief Notes and Comments Editor, Houston Journal of Health Law and Policy**  
Bruce, Courtenay (Recipient), 2006

**Cleveland Fellowship in Advanced Bioethics**  
Bruce, Courtenay (Recipient), 2008

**Constance M. and Byron F. Dyer Fellowship Award**  
Bruce, Courtenay (Recipient), 2013

**Fellow in the Spotlight Award**  
Bruce, Courtenay (Recipient), 2015

**Graham Guerrero Keynote Lecturer**  
Bruce, Courtenay (Recipient), 2014

**Houston Bar Association, Health Law Section Writing Award**  
Bruce, Courtenay (Recipient), 2006

**International Society for Heart and Lung Transplantation Junior Faculty Award for Outstanding Research**  
Bruce, Courtenay (Recipient), 2015

**Keynote Address for Hospital and Palliative Care Nurses' Association and Symposium**  
Bruce, Courtenay (Recipient), 2014

**LEX Award Administrative Law**  
Bruce, Courtenay (Recipient), 2007

**Master Teacher Fellowship Program**  
Bruce, Courtenay (Recipient), 2015

**Norton Rose Fulbright Faculty Excellence Award in Educational Leadership**  
Bruce, Courtenay (Recipient), 2017

**Norton Rose Fulbright Faculty Excellence Award in Educational Leadership**  
Bruce, Courtenay (Recipient), 2017

**Norton Rose Fulbright Faculty Excellence Award in Enduring Education**  
Bruce, Courtenay (Recipient), 2017

**Norton Rose Fulbright Faculty Excellence Award in Teaching and Evaluation**  
Bruce, Courtenay (Recipient), 2017

**Presidential Citation Award for Excellent Service, American Society for Bioethics & Humanities**  
Bruce, Courtenay (Recipient), 2018

**Reliant Energy Grant**  
Bruce, Courtenay (Recipient), May 1 2020

**Selected for the Credentialing Commission of the American Society for Bioethics and Humanities**  
Bruce, Courtenay (Recipient), 2017

**Selected for the ethics committee of the United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS)**

Bruce, Courtenay (Recipient), 2016

**Served as Chair for the Clinical Ethics Consultation Affairs Committee**

Bruce, Courtenay (Recipient), 2016

**Summa Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa, Highest Honors, National Honor Society of Collegiate Scholars,**

Bruce, Courtenay (Recipient), 2005

**System Quality & Patient Safety**

Bruce, Courtenay (Recipient), Nov 23 2020

**World Transplant Congress Award for Distinction**

Bruce, Courtenay (Recipient), 2014

## **Press/Media**

## **Projects**

## **Courses**

**Academic Director, Baylor College of Medicine-Houston Methodist Fellowship Program**

Courtenay Bruce

7/1/14 → 7/1/17

**APEX: Facilitator, Law/ethics Workshops**

Courtenay Bruce

7/1/11 → 7/1/13

**APEX: Facilitator, Law/ethics Workshops**

Courtenay Bruce

7/1/11 → 7/1/15

**Clinical Director, Baylor College of Medicine-Houston Methodist Fellowship Program**

Courtenay Bruce

8/1/13 → 7/1/17

**Course Director, Baylor College of Medicine-Houston Methodist Bioethics Intensive**

Courtenay Bruce

8/1/14 → 7/1/17

**Curriculum Course Director; Houston Methodist-Baylor College of Medicine; Bioethics Intensive Course**

Courtenay Bruce

7/1/14 → 7/1/17

**Curriculum development for ethics committees**

Courtenay Bruce

8/11/11 → 3/1/17

**Director, Houston Methodist Hospital Bioethics Program**

Courtenay Bruce  
7/1/11 → 7/1/17

**Director, Houston Methodist System Bioethics Program**

Courtenay Bruce  
7/1/11 → 7/1/17

**Director, MS3 Clinical Ethics Elective, Baylor College of Medicine**

Courtenay Bruce  
8/1/14 → 8/1/18

**Director, Third Year Clinical Ethics Elective**

Courtenay Bruce  
7/1/14 → 7/1/18

**Elective for Medical Students: Medicine after the Holocaust**

Courtenay Bruce  
7/1/11 → 7/1/14

**EnMed**

Courtenay Bruce  
5/1/19 → 8/1/20

**Ethics committee education series**

Courtenay Bruce  
8/11/19 → ...

**Ethics conference as required component of internal medicine residency (annual; including preparation, annual total 5 hours)**

Courtenay Bruce  
7/1/11 → 7/1/15

**Ethics conference as required component of Pediatrics core clerkship for residents (bi-monthly; including preparation, annual total 8 hours)**

Courtenay Bruce  
7/1/11 → 7/1/15

**Ethics conference as required component of thoracic critical care meetings, enhancing communication skills**

Courtenay Bruce  
7/1/11 → 7/1/17

**Ethics curriculum for Houston STET high schools**

Courtenay Bruce  
8/14/19 → ...

**Ethics education for the Cardiac Camp and Neuro Camp**

Courtenay Bruce  
8/17/19 → ...

**First-Year Medical Ethics Course**

Courtenay Bruce  
7/1/11 → 3/1/17

**Fourth Year Research Ethics Elective**

Courtenay Bruce  
7/1/11 → 7/1/14

**Guest lecturer for Bioengineering and Cardiac Surgery course**

Courtenay Bruce  
8/12/19 → ...

**Guest lecturer for "Grey Matters: Rice Medical Humanities Symposium," Rice University**

Courtenay Bruce  
8/14/19 → 8/14/19

**Guest lecturer for MGMT 694: Interpersonal Communication in Healthcare Course, Rice Jones Graduate School of Business**

Courtenay Bruce  
8/13/19 → ...

**Lecturer, anesthesiology residents: Session devoted to donation after cardiac death (annual; including preparation, 10 hours); 2013**

Courtenay Bruce  
7/1/13 → 8/1/13

**Lecturer, anesthesiology residents: Session devoted to informed consent (annual; including preparation, 10 hours); 2011-2013**

Courtenay Bruce  
7/1/11 → 7/1/13

**Lecturer, nursing: Sessions devoted to death by neurological criteria for hospital leadership**

Courtenay Bruce  
7/1/11 → ...

**Longitudinal Ambulatory Care Experience course: Facilitator, "Best Intentions" IAT (Implicit Association Test) and Professionalism Workshops**

Courtenay Bruce  
7/1/11 → 7/1/14

**PRAIRIE VIEW TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY Guest Lecturer**

Courtenay Bruce  
8/13/19 → ...

**Schwartz Rounds Education Committee**

Courtenay Bruce  
8/11/11 → 8/1/14

**Second Year Bioethics Seminar**

Courtenay Bruce  
7/1/11 → 7/1/15

**SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY**

Courtenay Bruce  
8/17/19 → ...