

Dear Yale Bioethics Alumni,

The Sherwin B. Nuland Summer Institute in Bioethics Alumni Association is starting a blog called "Dialogues in Bioethics (DIBs)." We invite you to consider our first call for submissions, below, which has a deadline of **Thursday, September 1**. Please note the Submission Guidelines below the call for submissions.

Thank you—we look forward to reading your submissions!

DIBs Call for Submissions:

“I will take up the story in the 1960s, when three streams converged to set the stage for bioethics in general and my entrance into it in particular. One of those streams was what we now think of as ‘the 60s,’ a time marked by assorted political and cultural upheavals and marked, in the case of medicine, by a sharp public and professional scrutiny of its institutions and practices. Medicine was opened for public inspection. Another stream was marked by both a fear of and a fascination with the great technological changes medicine was creating. Those changes portended not simply new possibilities for health, such as, raising the standards of what counts as good health, but also new ways of living a life, such as, family planning and enjoying an extended and healthy old age. The third stream was a revolt in some branches of the humanities against the social isolation of the academy and a desire to let certain fields, especially philosophy, have some social bite, some relevance.”* So noted Daniel Callahan, a co-founder of the Hastings Center, the first bioethics research institute in America. Since the field’s inception, bioethics has grown to encompass a diverse range of disciplines, including legal and social policy, biomedical ethics, environmental and animal ethics, theological ethics, narrative medicine, biotechnological ethics, and philosophy, among others. Now that the field is approaching its 50th anniversary, how should bioethics and its practitioners define their scope of influence and be positioned for impact? Please focus your commentary on your perspective and relevant experiences.

*[Theor Med Bioeth.](#) 2012 Feb;33(1):11-20. doi: 10.1007/s11017-011-9202-0.

Deadline: September 1, 2016

Word limit: 500-750 words

DIBs Submission Guidelines:

All submissions should be emailed to YaleSIBAAEditorial@gmail.com. Please include your name, contact information, and a short biographical statement that you would like published along with your piece. Please use the subject line of your email to identify the subject you are discussing (e.g., SIBAA Blog Submission - Future of Bioethics).

Please submit written works as a Microsoft Word (.doc or .docx) file. Media files should be submitted in .jpeg, .gif, or .png format only. Please only use letters, numbers, underscores, or hyphens in the name of the file. Please save images in RGB (not CMYK). All images must not exceed 600 KB and must be at least 400x400 pixels. All citations and references must be in APA format. Click [here](#) for an APA referencing style. The editorial team will review all submissions and provide feedback, including suggestions and/or direction for resubmission, if applicable. If you have any additional questions regarding submissions, please email YaleSIBAAEditorial@gmail.com.

Submissions should be a first-person account of your place in the selected bioethical topic. The submission should communicate an original point of view. While largely focused on the author’s opinion, these submissions must also be supported by facts. To assist the reader’s engagement in your chosen topic, please include references to opposing viewpoints when available. While not required, supporting citations will strengthen your commentary entries. Please use APA format for all citations and references.