This course will examine a variety of ethical issues relating to contemporary business. Types of questions will include the following: • Should corporations be viewed solely as profit making-entities? Or should they act so as to maintain economic stability, improve the environment, promote a healthier citizenry, or reduce the number of children who work in foreign countries? • What is the appropriate regulatory response to recent corporate scandals such as Enron, WorldCom, Columbia/HCA, Fannie Mae, AIG others? • How should corporations be evaluated when it comes to such broader issues of social and economic justice as: market stability, CEO compensation, health care coverage and cost, or disparities in income and wealth? • What bearing does the increasing globalization of corporations have on topics such as those identified above? These issues will be looked at from a philosophical perspective, and we will learn how to think more clearly about complex public policy issues regarding corporations.