PHIL 225 (Ethics) - Instructor Dan Zelesko

The goal of this assignment is to explore how ethical concepts apply to a contemporary controversy and give us insight into that issue. Students will start their research from the readings in Part III of the Cahn textbook (i.e. abortion, etc). In accomplishing this task, students will be responsible to 1) explain how the chosen theory applies to the issue, 2) discuss how that theory offers the best position of those available and, 3) demonstrate creativity and comprehension. Students will present on the day we begin covering that material in class.

- Start with the Chapters in your textbook (there should be at least 2 and they're by an ethicist, i.e. philosophical approach that applies a major theory)
  - Your focus should be on Applied Ethics
  - Evaluate & analyze the argument
- Actual Presentation
  - PPT – avoid reading from the slides
- Content
  - summary & critique of textbook chapters & other sources
  - Research – 2 scholarly/academic sources outside of textbook
  - Critical Evaluation
  - Personal position
- Length – 12 minutes