Philosophy 112
Final Study Guide

1. Present and explain the Central Argument against abortion. Present, explain, and evaluate the four criterions for moral personhood. In each case, explain the implications for the Central Argument. (In answering this question, you should assume that the fetus is human in the genetic sense.)

2. Present, explain, and evaluate the Property View. Present, explain, and evaluate the Defense View. Present and explain the Autonomy View. Present, explain, and evaluate the first Argument by Analogy. Present and explain the second Argument by Analogy. Do you find this argument convincing? Why or why not? (In answering this question, you should assume that the fetus is human in the moral sense.)

3. Explain the difference between voluntary, involuntary, and non-voluntary euthanasia. Explain the difference between active and passive euthanasia. Present, explain, and evaluate the Utilitarian Argument. Present, explain, and evaluate the Best Interests Argument.

4. Explain the difference between voluntary, involuntary, and non-voluntary euthanasia. Explain the difference between active and passive euthanasia. Present, explain, and evaluate the “Playing God” Argument. Present, explain, and evaluate the Unexpected Cures Argument.

5. Present, explain and evaluate the four accounts of why humans have special value. Suppose that Singer is correct and that all and only persons have special value. According to Singer, what follows from this? Do you agree with Singer? Why or why not?