Ethics expert Arthur Caplan to discuss human cloning at 4 p.m. today

Arthur L. Caplan, an internationally recognized expert on biomedical ethics, will deliver the Third Annual Raymond W. Waggoner Lecture on Ethics and Values in Medicine. His lecture, which is geared to the interests of health professionals, is titled, “What Is Wrong with Human Cloning? The Ethics of Technological Reproduction.” It begins at 4 p.m. today (Sept. 9) in the Maternal and Child Health Center Auditorium.

Author or editor of numerous books and articles on ethical issues, Caplan is director of the Center for Bioethics and Trustee Professor of Bioethics at the University of Pennsylvania. His research interests focus on medical ethics, health policy, ethical issues in science and technology, and the history of medicine and the health sciences. Caplan also has served as associate director of the Hastings Center and the director of the Center for Biomedical Ethics at the University of Minnesota.

The Raymond W. Waggoner Lectureship on Ethics and Values in Medicine is an annual lectureship sponsored by the Department of Psychiatry in the Medical School. The lectureship brings a national or international expert to U-M to explore cutting-edge issues related to ethics and values in medicine. The lectureship was established in honor of Raymond W. Waggoner, emeritus professor and past chair of the department—who just celebrated his 97th birthday—to recognize his contributions to the profession and to the study of medical ethics. The program is supported by an endowed fund created through the generosity of alumni and friends of Waggoner and the Department of Psychiatry.