



# MSc/PG Dip Midwifery

**The course has been developed to enable midwives to develop, deliver and direct high quality midwifery services within the context of the national and international drive towards improving maternity/health outcomes for the childbearing woman and her family.**

The course aims to equip midwives with the knowledge and skills required to operate at senior and strategic levels in today's midwifery and health care services.

Midwives study in depth the art and science of midwifery and the ethical, legal, economic, political, multi-professional and global context in which contemporary midwifery is practised.





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## School of Health Sciences

The University has an impressive worldwide reputation for academic excellence and is part of the Russell Group of 20 leading UK universities. The School is ranked fifth in the UK in terms of its research power for nursing and midwifery.

## Duration

PG Dip: 9 months full-time or 18 months part-time.

MSc: 12 months full-time or a maximum of 48 months part-time.

## Location

All modules are taught at the Nottingham Centre (Queen's Medical Centre campus/City Hospital campus).

## Introduction

The MSc Midwifery equips midwives with the knowledge and skills required to influence changes and developments within their employing organisations, at local, national and international level. The course embraces the concept of inter-professional learning and teaching with staff and postgraduate students from the Divisions of Nursing and Physiotherapy and supports the development of the leadership skills of accountable midwives. There is flexibility for practising midwives to successfully balance their studies alongside family and work commitments by undertaking the course on a part-time basis over a maximum of 48 months.

## Career opportunities

The MSc Midwifery enables midwives to advance their careers and operate at senior levels be it in clinical practice, higher education, management or research, with graduates securing posts as clinical managers, consultant midwives, lecturers, practice development midwives, research midwives and specialist midwives.

## Course structure

The MSc Midwifery is comprised of four taught modules (120 credits) plus a 60 credit dissertation.

### Postgraduate Diploma (120 credits)

- Evidence for Health and Social Care (30 credits)
- Leadership in Health and Social Care (30 credits)
- Empowering Midwifery Practice (30 credits)
- Optional module (30 credits)

Optional Modules (30 credits) ONE to be selected from the following:

- Nursing and Midwifery Practice in a Global Context
- Best Practice in Perineal Care
- Contraception and Sexual Health
- Examination of the Neonate for Health Care Practitioners
- High Dependency Care of the Childbearing Woman
- Infant Feeding and Nutrition
- Mentor Preparation for Health Care Professionals
- Teaching and Learning in Health and Social Care

### MSc (180 credits)

- Dissertation (60 credits) Compulsory Module

## Support and assessment

Academic support includes a personal tutor for each module. Assessments are varied and include written assignments, case presentations with a viva voce exam, Moodle exams, critical incident analysis, action plan development, evidence-based portfolios, oral presentations with supportive paper detailing a proposed innovation/change in practice.

## Funding and scholarships

Most UK students are funded through their employers and NHS training monies. Some students have also been successful in obtaining scholarships from national funding bodies. Further information about funding opportunities is available on our website in the Postgraduate Study area.

## Entry requirements

All applicants will be expected to demonstrate a commitment to the practice of midwifery and health care through their professional/practitioner role. In addition the applicant must:

- Hold a first degree (usually 2:2 or above);
- Be a registered practising midwife in current practice.

International students whose first language is not English are required to have an overall average score of 6.5 (no less than 6.0 in any element) in the British Council's International English Language Testing System (IELTS) or equivalent.

If applicants are non EU trained and require registration to the nurses or midwives part of the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) register, the IELTS test that must be achieved is:

- At least 7.0 in the listening and reading sections
- At least 7.0 in the writing and speaking sections
- At least 7.0 (out of a possible 9) overall

## How to apply

Visit the school website at [www.nottingham.ac.uk/healthsciences](http://www.nottingham.ac.uk/healthsciences) and select this course from the Postgraduate Study area. You can apply electronically within the course entry using the 'Apply for this course' button.

## Find out more

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