



City University London
School of Community & Health Sciences

Assessment Guidelines

Programme(s)	BSc (Hons) Midwifery (78-week programme)		
Module Code(s)	NM3726		
Curriculum Theme	Psychosocial Sciences & Public Health (PSPH)		
Module Title	Health and Society		
Assessment Type	Essay		
Type	Summative		
Submission Deadline			
Cohort	September 2009	Semesters of Study	1 & 2
Level	HE3	Credits	15
Weighting	100%	Pass Mark	40%

Introduction

This assessment will develop your understanding of the psycho-social and cultural contexts that influence women and their families across the childbearing continuum. It will take the form of a 3000 word written paper. Using an example from your clinical practice, critically analyse the psycho social and cultural factors that impact upon the experience of pregnancy and childbirth.

Consider these in the light of the implications for midwifery practice and care planning.

Module Learning Outcomes

The learning outcomes for this module are met in a range of ways, including the learning and teaching strategies used in the module, your student directed study and through this assessment. The specific learning outcomes this assessment focuses on are:

Cognitive/ intellectual skills

- Analyse the impact of the changing dynamics of the family as a social unit (NMC: A14, A15 ECS1-5)
- Analyse how the emotional transition of pregnancy and birth affects women and their families (NMC A9 ECS1-5)
- Practise in accordance with relevant legislation (NMC B3 ECS1-5)

Knowledge & understanding

- Analyse concepts central to social structures and processes of childbearing(NMC A11 ECS1-5)

Values & attitudes

- Analyse how personal values, social attitudes and beliefs may be challenged within professional practice. (NMC B2 ECS1-5)
- Analyse how different cultural and social beliefs and priorities influence the construction of health and delivery of health/social care within a community of practice for childbearing women and their families. (NMC A15 ECS1-5)

Subject Specific

- Analyse the psychosocial influences that contribute to explaining social structures that affect childbearing women and their families within their community of practice

Transferable

- Analyse data sources and evidence. (NMC, D1, D3 ECS1-5)

Assessment Criteria

Your essay will be marked using the following criteria, so you must ensure you address these in your work, taking into consideration the percentage each criterion is worth of the overall mark and the grade related criteria that are in your programme handbook.

Structure and presentation	
Logical, coherent development. Clearly presented.	5%
References up to date, accurate and using the Harvard referencing system.	5%
Content	
Identify the main issues that arise from the chosen clinical scenario	10%
Critically analyse the relevant psycho social theories and cultural concepts.	30%
Critically evaluate the implications for midwifery practice and care planning.	35%
Reference and application of appropriate literature/theory to support the discussion	15%



Assessment Submission

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Name of Module Leader		Student Number	
Student SURNAME		Student FIRST NAME	
Word Count		Cohort	
Group Number		Submission Deadline	
Attempt (e.g. 1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd)			

I certify that the two copies of coursework, one being electronic, that I have submitted is my own unaided work, and that I have read and complied with the guidelines on plagiarism as set out in the student handbook. I understand that the University may make use of plagiarism detection software and that my work may therefore be stored on a database, which is accessible to other users of the same software.

Students should be aware that, where plagiarism is suspected, a formal investigation will be carried out, and action may be taken under the University's rules on Academic Misconduct. This might result in penalties ranging from mark deduction to withdrawal from the University.

Signature Date

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Assessment Submission Receipt: Please complete the details below prior to submitting your work

Student Name:		
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Marking Record and Feedback to Student

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Name of Student			
Cohort			
Name of Marker			
Name of Moderator			
Final Mark		Pass/Fail	

STRUCTURE & PRESENTATION (10 MARKS)			
Criteria	Marks available	Mark awarded	Marker's feedback
Logical, coherent development. Clearly presented.	5		
References up to date, accurate and using the Harvard referencing system.	5		
Overall feedback for section:			
Total mark for this section:			

CONTENT (90 MARKS)			
Criteria	Marks available	Mark awarded	Marker's feedback
Identify the main issues that arise from the chosen clinical scenario	10		
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Reference and application of appropriate literature/theory to support the discussion	15		
Overall feedback for section:			
Total mark for this section:			

Marker's overall feedback (please continue on a separate page if necessary)

Marker's Signature **Date**

FINAL MARK:

Moderator's feedback

Moderator's Signature **Date**

External Examiner's feedback to student

External Examiner's Signature **Date**

Print Name