BSc (Hons) Midwifery

Information for Clearing 2017

Clearing entry requirements:
120 UCAS points (B, B, B)
In addition to meeting the entry requirements, students are required to have enhanced disclosure and barring service clearance

About the course:
City’s BSc (Hons) Midwifery degree is designed for students who wish to pursue a career as a Midwife. The course is accredited by the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC), allowing successful graduates to apply for registration to practice as a qualified Midwife on completion of the course.

The midwife is recognised as a responsible and accountable professional who works in partnership with women to give the necessary support, care and advice during pregnancy, labour and the postpartum period, to conduct births and to provide care for the new born and the infant.

City’s midwifery programme will give you the necessary knowledge and skills to support women through low and high risk pregnancy and birth. The programme combines a strong academic element based on up to date research evidence with the opportunity to work in a supervised capacity alongside experienced midwives to develop your clinical skills. You will integrate theory and practice elements of the curriculum to develop your understanding of midwifery as a profession.

The first year of the programme focusses on normality – on the normal development of pregnancy, normal birth and postpartum and appropriate midwifery care. The second year focusses on – pathology: on conditions which can cause complications from mother and baby, and on emergency situations. The third year is used to consolidate your learning, further develop your practical skills and undertake a systematic review of the literature in an area of individual interest. Biological, psychological and social aspects of pregnancy and birth are addressed to enable you to practice holistic, woman-centred midwifery care.

Selection process:
Students who have applied to study midwifery are required to successfully complete a selection process as well as meeting the academic entry requirements for the course. The selection process is used to assess your suitability for the course and ensure your values meet those of the National Health Service (NHS).

The selection process comprises of three parts:

- Numeracy and literacy tests to assess your ability in these areas
- The Cambridge Personal Styles Questionnaire (CPSQ) an online test to assess your suitability to work within the healthcare sector
- Group or individual interviews, used to find out more about you, how you work with others, your interest in the course and working within the healthcare sector.
Clearing selection days will take place in the days immediately after 17th August, please ensure you are available on these days if you intend to apply for the BSc (Hons) Midwifery degree in clearing.

All universities offering nursing degree courses require students to complete the selection process find out more.

Key course details:

Course start date:
Monday 18th September 2017 (1 week induction)

Duration:
3 year, full time course
There are 7 weeks of holiday per year spread over the Christmas, Easter and Summer periods.

Location:
Taught on campus at City, University of London and on partner clinical placement sites across London

Fees:
UK/EU
Full-time: £9,250 for the first year of study (2018/19 and following years fees to be confirmed)

Non-EU
Full-time: £16,000 for the first year of study (2018/19 and following years fees to be confirmed)

Scholarships and bursaries:
City, University of London and the School of Health Sciences have a range of scholarships and bursaries open to students applying to study undergraduate courses in September 2017, find out more.

Clinical placements:
Placements are based in four hospitals in London: Newham University Hospital, Royal London Hospital, University College London Hospital and Homerton University Hospital. Students are allocated to one hospital for the duration of the programme. All four are busy, dynamic, challenging environments where you will have the opportunity to participate in all aspects of midwifery care. This will include placements in antenatal and postnatal wards, delivery suites, midwifery led units, and in the community providing care in a variety of settings including women’s homes.

You will also undertake some ‘out of midwifery’ placements looking at other areas of healthcare relevant to childbearing. These include neonatal units and sexual health clinics.

You will have the opportunity to undertake an elective placement observing midwifery practice in a different cultural setting; this may be abroad or in another area of the UK.

You will work with a variety of specialist teams and midwives including those working with diabetic women, vulnerable women (e.g. refugees and asylum seekers, women experiencing domestic violence) and bereaved women who have experienced the loss of a baby during pregnancy.

Why chose to study nursing at City?

- The programme is linked to the Maternal and Child Health Research Centre which undertakes world class research into women’s health issues. Researchers teach on the programme and there are opportunities for students to be involved in research.

- State-of-the-art clinical skills facilities on campus at Northampton Square, providing a safe environment for you to develop your knowledge, skills and confidence for practice placements.

- City is ranked 3rd in London for Midwifery (2017 Guardian University Guide)

Careers:
City’s midwifery programme has excellent employability prospects, with over 97% of graduates securing graduate level employment within six months of completing the course.

The starting salary for a newly qualified midwife is NHS pay band 5, with progression to band 6 usual within 6-12 months. Our graduates have gone on to work in various settings including NHS hospitals, midwifery led units and in the community.

Opportunities for future careers are excellent and include practice, either in general midwifery or a specialist area, management, education or research.