

## MODULE DESCRIPTOR

### Module Title

The Midwife within Society - Establishing Foundations

Reference	NU1202	Version	4
Created	June 2017	SCQF Level	SCQF 7
Approved	May 2009	SCQF Points	30
Amended	August 2017	ECTS Points	15

### Aims of Module

To enable the student to gain a foundational understanding of the role of the midwife for appropriate action in current society.

### Learning Outcomes for Module

On completion of this module, students are expected to be able to:

- 1 Describe the role and responsibility of the midwife within current maternity care provision.
- 2 Identify key legal and ethical dimensions of the midwife's role.
- 3 Summarise key sociological and psychological agendas impacting on current maternity care.
- 4 Recognise the importance of sensitive midwifery care to support women as individuals.

### Indicative Module Content

Role of the midwife; NMC; Roles of members of the maternity care team; Record keeping and documentation; History and development of the midwifery profession; Maternity policy; Health and social care policy; Legal perspectives; Ethical dimension of midwife's role; Consent; Confidentiality; Respect for individuals and communities; Sociology of childbearing; Psychology of childbearing; Sensitive individualised care; Bonding, nurturing and attachment; Spirituality.

### Module Delivery

Lectures, tutorials, online learning.

### Indicative Student Workload

	Full Time	Part Time
Contact Hours	80	N/A
Non-Contact Hours	220	N/A
Placement/Work-Based Learning Experience [Notional] Hours	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	300	N/A
<i>Actual Placement hours for professional, statutory or regulatory body</i>		

**ASSESSMENT PLAN**

If a major/minor model is used and box is ticked, % weightings below are indicative only.

**Component 1**

Type: Coursework Weighting: 100% Outcomes Assessed: 1, 2, 3, 4  
 Description: Essay.

**MODULE PERFORMANCE DESCRIPTOR****Explanatory Text**

Essay.

Module Grade	Minimum Requirements to achieve Module Grade:
<b>A</b>	C1 = A
<b>B</b>	C1 = B
<b>C</b>	C1 = C
<b>D</b>	C1 = D
<b>E</b>	C1 = E
<b>F</b>	C1 = F
<b>NS</b>	Non-submission of work by published deadline or non-attendance for examination

**Module Requirements**

Prerequisites for Module None in addition to course entry requirements.  
 Corequisites for module None.  
 Precluded Modules None.

**ADDITIONAL NOTES**

This module is underpinned by the UNICEF UK Baby Friendly Initiative.

**INDICATIVE BIBLIOGRAPHY**

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