

NURS 1012 MIDWIFERY PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE 1

Credit Points 10

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Description In this unit students will learn the necessary midwifery skills for the provision of woman-centred antenatal care. In a simulated practice environment students will gain practical skills to provide midwifery care to the woman and her supportive others during pregnancy. This unit will also focus on preparing students for clinical placement. The importance of work health and safety and effective communication and documentation will be reinforced. This unit will include recruitment of women for the continuity of care experience.

School Nursing & Midwifery

Discipline Midwifery

Student Contribution Band HECS Band 1 10cp

Check your HECS Band contribution amount via the Fees (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/currentstudents/current_students/fees/) page.

Level Undergraduate Level 1 subject

Co-requisite(s) NURS 1009

Equivalent Subjects NURS 1007 Introduction to Midwifery Practice Experience

Restrictions Students must be enrolled in 4684 Bachelor of Midwifery.

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this subject, students should be able to:

1. Identify the role of the midwife during pregnancy using a primary health care framework
2. Utilise knowledge of PHC frameworks to support the collection of a comprehensive initial health assessment
3. Practice within legal, ethical and professional frameworks that are pertinent to midwifery
4. Perform beginning midwifery skills accurately and respond appropriately
5. Utilise communication skills to enhance the development of partnerships and professional relationships
6. Reflect upon performance of self and others
7. Apply the principles of Work Health and Safety (WHS) and relevant policies in practice
8. Display professional behaviour and develop competence in a simulated or antenatal environment

Subject Content

1. Introduction and orientation to Midwifery Practice Units
 - introduction to The clinical practice unit
 - introduction to professional skills book
 - introduction to Bachelor of Midwifery professional practice portfolio
 - Midwifery Continuity of care case notes
 - Midwifery Log of practice experience
 - Midwifery clinical summaries
 - Bachelor of Midwifery course Handbook

- Department of health requirements for clinical placements
2. Midwifery as Primary Health Care
 - promoting health and well-being
 - comprehensive assessment of health and wellbeing
 - introduction to informed consent and Advocacy
 - legal and Ethical principles
 3. Role of the Midwifery Student
 - professional behaviour
 - documentation and Confidentiality
 - resolving Issues in practice (Dealing with challenging people, managing feedback, clinical assessments, Conflict Resolution)
 - recognising impact of personal values and beliefs
 - reflective practice
 - work health and safety
 - Standard precautions
 - protective isolation
 - manual handling and Transfers
 - bullying
 - injury prevention and infection control
 - Receiving feedback on practice from women and Midwives
 - support for students - university and hospital based support for students
 4. Communication Skills for working in Partnership
 - therapeutic use of self
 - skills to communicate effectively with The woman, her family and others during antenatal care
 - Building rapport
 - intercultural communication
 - use of An interpreter
 5. Core skills
 - comprehensive health assessments: gathering personal data including social, cultural, physical, emotional, spiritual and environmental Factors
 - Baseline observations - blood pressure, temperature, pulse, respiration, height; weight; BMI calculation; urinalysis assessment and reporting
 - Abdominal Examination during Pregnancy
 - Calculating expected Date of birth
 - Auscultating fetal heart rate - Pinards and Doppler
 - undertaking documentation within legal frameworks
 - Understanding The NSW health ?eBetween The Flags?f DETECT program including ISBAR and A-g assessment
 - Numeracy practice and diagnostic assessment
 - reflection on practice

Special Requirements

Legislative pre-requisites

Special Requirements - NSW Health Legislative Prerequisites

Student Compliance Information for all Health-Related Placements

Prior to enrolling in this subject, students must have submitted a Student Undertaking Form and undertake to apply for a National Police Check, which is required to be submitted before placement, and a Working with Children Check Student Declaration. Use the link to the Special Requirements webpage below for more information.

To be eligible to enrol in this subject and complete any required health-related placements or experiences, students must meet Western Sydney University program requirements as well as any special, legislated, or policy-mandated requirements.

Western Program Requirements

Visit the Special Requirements webpage for details about your program.

Special Requirements (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/currentstudents/current_students/enrolment/special_requirements/)

Mandatory NSW Health student placement policy requirements

To be able to undertake placement in any NSW Health facility you must be assessed as compliant with NSW Health student placement policy in the first year of your program, regardless of when you expect to go on your first placement. Access and read the NSW Student Compliance Information Booklet.

NSW Student Compliance Information Booklet (https://issuu.com/uwspublications/docs/wsu_student_compliance_booklet_2020_v6/)

Please ensure that you

1. Find your existing National Police Check or apply for one
2. Gather documentary evidence of your vaccination history
3. Print and complete all relevant NSW Health forms relevant to the campus you are enrolled at or online enrolment requirements
4. Follow booklet instructions on how to have your compliance documents assessed by NSW health staff.

International students have additional requirements; the link to the booklet will inform you of these requirements.

School Requirements

Contact your School for further details regarding your School's requirements, if any, such as

- If you live outside of NSW or Australia and need to meet your state, territory or country's compliance requirements
- If you need to meet different state, territory or country compliance requirements.
- NSW Working with Children Check (WWCC) or other state equivalent, valid for your entire program.
- Current approved first aid certificate valid for your entire program - approved program providers can be found at the Government Training website
- <http://training.gov.au> (<http://training.gov.au/>)
- Other non-health related requirements.

Student Compliance Resources are also available on the Placements Hub web page (NSW students only)

https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/learning_futures/home/placements_hub/placements_hub/student_compliance (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/learning_futures/home/placements_hub/placements_hub/student_compliance/)

Assessment

The following table summarises the standard assessment tasks for this subject. Please note this is a guide only. Assessment tasks are regularly updated, where there is a difference your Learning Guide takes precedence.

Item	Length	Percent	Threshold	Individual/ Group Task
Simulation	Not specified	0	Y	Individual
Reflection	500 words	0	Y	Individual

Viva Voce	All on campus weeks except designated e-learning weeks	0	Y	Individual
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Log/ Workbook	Not specified	0	Y	Individual
Participation	100% attendance	0	Y	Individual

Teaching Periods

Autumn

Parramatta - Victoria Rd

Day

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