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BSc Midwifery, with Registration as a Midwife (Established Curriculum, S2018/S2019 Cohorts):

Course Information	
Title:	BSc Midwifery, with Registration as a Midwife
SITS Course & Route Codes:	UBSR3KSRD / SRD
Programme Specification:	Available online here <i>(select the year of entry for the specification for your cohort)</i>
Applicable NMC Competencies:	<u>Standards for Competence for Registered Midwives (NMC 2009)</u>
Duration:	3 years, full-time
Theory learning:	360 credits
Practice learning:	2,300 hours

PART ONE (120 credits):

Status	Module Code	Module Title	Credits	Term
Core	Various	<p><u>Mandatory Training, Year 1</u></p> <p>This module has been created as the record of Mandatory Training for each year of the course. This is required to be completed at the beginning of each academic year, prior to the first placement.</p>	0	Before placement

Status	Module Code	Module Title	Credits	Term
Core	4KNIMW10	<p>Basis of Midwifery Practice</p> <p>This module aims to provide you with an introduction to the principles and practice of midwifery. It focuses on the development of basic midwifery practice skills and incorporates the application of theoretical knowledge that forms the evidence to support midwifery and neonatal care both locally and nationally. The module links to mandatory skills that form the basis of fitness to practice. Students will understand the midwife's sphere of practice, acquire basic clinical skills in order to provide direct midwifery care in the antenatal, intrapartum and postnatal period. The module will also review the care needs of neonates and best practice principles of infant feeding, basic maternal and neonatal resuscitation, and best practice principles of infection control.</p>	30	1, 2 & 3
Core	4KNIMW11	<p>Biology Applied to Midwifery Practice</p> <p>The aim of the module is to provide the student with an understanding of the anatomical and physiological aspects of reproduction and childbirth in order to provide effective and safe assessment, implementation and evaluation of maternity care.</p>	30	1, 2 & 3
Core	4KNIMW09	<p>Medicine Management & the Midwife</p> <p>This module aims to develop the student's understanding of the fundamental principles of medicines management, pharmacodynamics and pharmacokinetics. It will support and facilitate achievement of the NMC essential skills clusters relating to medicine management for pre-registration midwifery education by providing knowledge and skills that underpin midwifery clinical practice.</p>	30	1, 2 & 3
Core	4KNIMW07	<p>Professional Issues in Midwifery Practice</p> <p>This module aims to develop the student's understanding of the historical and contemporary role and accountability of the midwife, in relation to statutory, professional and public expectations and legislative frameworks. The module contributes to your programme of study by exploring the professional behaviours expected of a health care professional, looking at how you communicate within the health care setting and create strategies for you to manage both to the required high standard.</p>	15	1

Status	Module Code	Module Title	Credits	Term
Core	4KNIMW08	<p>Social Sciences & Midwifery Practice</p> <p>This module aims to develop the student's understanding of social science enquiry and its application to midwifery practice. It will contextualise the role and responsibilities of the midwife within the wider social, psychological and cultural context of maternity care and enable the student to develop cultural competency and sensitivity.</p>	15	2

PART TWO (120 credits:

Status	Module Code	Module Title	Credits	Term
Core	Various	<p><u>Mandatory Training, Year 2</u></p> <p>This module has been created as the record of Mandatory Training for each year of the course. This is required to be completed at the beginning of each academic year, prior to the first placement.</p>	0	Before placement
Core	5KNIMW11	<p>The Dimensions of Midwifery Practice</p> <p>This module aims to consolidate students' understanding of normality within the preconceptual, antenatal, intrapartum and postnatal period that they were exposed to during their first undergraduate year and to develop new concepts and approaches. This will enhance their ability to effectively assess, plan, implement and evaluate midwifery care in relation to professional midwifery statutory responsibilities and evidence-based guidelines. It aims to develop the student's understanding of the theoretical and practical basis of woman-centred care and enable attainment of Nursing and Midwifery Council Essential Skills Clusters which contribute to the second progression point.</p>	30	1, 2, & 3

Status	Module Code	Module Title	Credits	Term
Core	5KNIMW10	<p>Medical Complexities in Childbearing</p> <p>This module aims first to introduce students to concepts and approaches relating to women's health and wellbeing along the childbearing continuum. This is then followed by a detailed examination of specific physical and mental health problems highlighted in key national publications – the purpose here is to focus attention on some of the major factors implicated in maternal mortality reports. Throughout the course, there is an emphasis on holistic assessment and a client-centred approach to care.</p>	30	2,
Core	5KNIMW08	<p>Public Health & the Midwife</p> <p>The aim of this module is to develop the student's understanding of the context and theory that underpin Public Health and Health Promotion. The module aims to draw on the student's experience in clinical practice and from the learning that took place in Social Science and Midwifery Practice. The role of the midwife in relation to effective implementation and evaluation of health promotion strategies, understanding health and health behaviour and policy recommendations within maternity services especially in relation to vulnerability and inequalities.</p>	30	1
Core	5KNIMW09	<p>Emergencies in Midwifery Practice</p> <p>This module will prepare students to diagnose and effectively manage midwifery/obstetric emergencies. The recognition of physical deterioration in the mother's condition and appropriate management are also key elements as recommended by MBRRACE (2014; 2015; 2016).</p>	15	2
Core	5KNIM520	<p>Research Methods</p> <p>The course aims to enhance students' awareness of the process and outcomes of health care research and how these relate to health care provision. Students will be exposed to different approaches to research as well as a range of data collection methods and analysis techniques. The course will assist students to evaluate issues related to research utilisation as well as the relative strengths and weaknesses of published research.</p>	15	1

PART THREE (120 credits):

Status	Module Code	Module Title	Credits	Term
Core	Various	<p><u>Mandatory Training, Year 3</u></p> <p>This module has been created as the record of Mandatory Training for each year of the course. This is required to be completed at the beginning of each academic year, prior to the first placement.</p>	0	Before placement
Core	6KNIMW12	<p>Autonomous Midwifery Practice</p> <p>The aim of the module is to prepare students for their role as autonomous midwifery practitioners within the multi-professional team and to ensure the consolidation of midwifery knowledge and skills as outlined by the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC, 2009) Standards for Pre-Registration Midwifery Education. The module will enable students to attain the NMC Essential Skills Clusters required for the progression to register.</p>	30	1, 2 & 3
Core	6KNIMW09	<p>Models of Midwifery Care</p> <p>This module aims to develop advanced understanding and critical awareness of current models of midwifery care. Students will draw on their experiences from their Student Midwife Continuity Projects, where they will gain experience of working holistically with women and their babies. The module will enable students understand models of midwifery care, including conventional and continuity models. Students will analyse the evidence base and benefits of seamless midwifery care and working in new and flexible ways. They will also review key aspects of their own development during their continuity project, with regard to interpersonal and midwifery skills.</p>	30	1, 2 & 3 <u>Note:</u> teaching will commence in year 2.
Core	6KNIN320	<p>Student Project</p> <p>The aim of the module is to provide students with an opportunity to develop skills in undertaking either a research proposal, a literature review or practice audit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A research proposal is a detailed description of an intended research study. It should set out a 'blueprint' for the research process so that the reader can conceptualise each stage of the research. • A literature review is a systematic search and analysis of the literature in a particular area. A clearly defined search strategy and a careful analysis of selected published material is the cornerstone of this type of project. 	30	1, & 2

Status	Module Code	Module Title	Credits	Term
Core	6KNIMW11	<p>Arts & Humanities in Midwifery Practice</p> <p>This module aims to develop the student's critical understanding of the relationship between midwifery, maternity care and the arts and humanities in order to enhance an advanced cultural and emotional competence. Students will critically evaluate the impact of art, literature and popular media on midwifery practice including the ways in which the arts and humanities can facilitate the social, cultural and political context of maternity care.</p>	15	1
Core	6KNIN651	<p>Global & Political Context of Midwifery Practice</p> <p>The aim of the module is to develop the student's knowledge and critical understanding of the local, national and global political factors that impact upon and contextualise midwifery practice. The module will cover such topics as assessing policy initiatives that impact upon reproductive/maternity services, investigating health policy at local, national, and international level including the implications of increasing consumer group and service user involvement, medico-legal and ethical issues including gender, equity and access to maternity services, and appraising strategies & frameworks to promote and improve women's reproductive health and human rights.</p>	15	2

PRACTICE LEARNING HOURS:

Programme part:	Cohort S2017	Cohort S2018	Cohort S2019
<i>Progression point 1</i>	750 hours	817.5 hours	762.5 hours
<i>Progression point 2</i>	862.5 hours	769 hours	769 hours
<i>Progression point 3</i>	687.5 hours	713.5 hours	769 hours
Practice learning hours total:	2,300 hours	2,300 hours	2,300 hours

PLEASE NOTE:

The established curriculum was introduced prior to 2019, and is designed to meet the NMC Midwifery 2009 Standards.