The Maternal & Newborn Healthcare course is designed to enable midwives, nurses, or other healthcare professionals working in the fields of maternal and newborn health to gain the knowledge and skills required to lead high quality healthcare services at a strategic level.

Key benefits

- You will be studying at the No.2 nursing faculty in the UK and 5th in the world (2018 QS World University Rankings by subject).
- Internationally renowned clinicians and academics providing an unparalleled inter-professional learning experience in a multi-faculty environment.
- Located in the heart of London, across four of King’s Thames-side campuses (Waterloo, Strand, St Thomas’ and Guy’s) and the Denmark Hill Campus in South London.
- Access to extracurricular seminars and lectures given by leaders in healthcare from around the world.

Course details

This course is for qualified healthcare professionals working in the field of maternal and newborn healthcare, and requires students to undertake modules that equate to a total 60 credits for a PGCert, 120 credits for a PGDip, and 180 credits for a MSc, formed of a mix of compulsory core modules and additional optional modules. The learning opportunities are tailored to the needs of individual students and based on their individual specialty.

Students will study the ethical, cultural, political, and international contexts in which maternal and newborn healthcare is provided. This will be facilitated through reflective, analytical and critical thinking through the provision of educational input from expert lecturers, external speakers and a varied assessment approach.

Teaching

30 credit core modules: Approximately 75 hours in a combination of lectures, seminars, tutorials and workshops and 225 hours of independent study such as preparing for scheduled sessions, follow-up work and wider reading. Hours may vary depending on the recommended reading lists discussed in the teaching sessions and assessment deadlines.

Dissertation Module (60 credits) – MSc students only: Approximately 150 hours in a combination of lectures, seminars and supervision and 450 hours of independent study such drafting chapters and wider reading. Typically, one credit equates to 10 hours of work.

Assessment

Students will be assessed in a variety of ways depending on the modules undertaken and a dissertation is the final assessment method for the course for those studying for an MSc.
Regulating body
King’s College London is regulated by the Office for Students.

Course structure
MSc, PG Dip and PG Cert
Courses are divided into modules and students on this course take modules totalling:
PG Cert – 60 credits
PG Dip – 120 credits
MSc – 180 credits

Required modules
All students are required to take:
• Optimising Birth for Mothers & Newborns (30 credits)
• Managing Challenges in the Newborn Period (30 credits)

PGDip and MSc students are also required to take:
• Evidence-based Decision Making (30 credits)

MSc students additionally require:
• Dissertation (60 credits)

Optional modules
In addition, PGDip and MSc students take 30 credits from a range of optional modules, which may typically include:
• Principles of Implementation & Improvement Science (30 credits)
• Issues in the Conduct of Healthcare Research (15 credits)
• Developing Professional Leadership (15 credits)
• Leadership in Health & Social Care (15 credits)
• Measurement & Evaluation of Healthcare (15 credits)
• Advanced Psychosocial & Spiritual Care (30 credits)

King's College London reviews the modules offered on a regular basis to provide up-to-date, innovative and relevant programmes of study. Therefore, modules offered may change. We suggest you keep an eye on the course finder on our website for updates.

Location
This course is primarily taught at the King’s College London Waterloo Campus.

Career prospects
MSc students: successful completion of the course will indicate to employers that you have the ability to lead in a specialist capacity in a maternal and newborn healthcare setting.

PG Dip students: successful completion of the course will indicate to employers that you have the ability to work in a specialist role in a maternal and newborn healthcare setting.

PG Cert students: successful completion of the course will indicate to employers that you have specialist knowledge in maternal and newborn healthcare.

As such, some graduates move on to more senior managerial roles, while others pursue a clinical-academic career.

Fees and funding
Full-time and part-time tuition fees – UK
The UK tuition fees for the 2019–20 academic year are available on the course web page.

Please note that the tuition fees for subsequent years of study may be subject to increases in line with King’s terms and conditions.

Full-time and part-time tuition fees – EU
Students starting their programme in 2019–20 (September 2019) who are eligible to pay EU fees will pay the same rate of tuition fees as UK students. This will apply for the duration of their programme, but may be subject to change by the UK Government for subsequent cohorts from 2020–21.

The UK tuition fees for the 2019–20 academic year are available on the course web page.

Please note that the tuition fees for subsequent years of study may be subject to increases in line with King’s terms and conditions.

Full-time and part-time tuition fees – International
The International tuition fees for the 2019–20 academic year are available on the course web page.

Please note that the tuition fees for subsequent years of study may be subject to increases in line with King’s terms and conditions.

Deposit
When you receive an offer for this course you will be required to pay a non-refundable deposit to secure your place. The deposit will be credited towards your total fee payment.

The UK/EU deposit is £500.

The International deposit is £2,000.

For further information, please visit the fees and funding section of our website: www.kcl.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/fees-and-funding/index.aspx

Additional costs
In addition to your tuition fees, you can also expect to pay for:

• books if you choose to buy your own copies
• library fees and fines
• personal photocopies
• binding costs
• printing course handouts
• society membership fees
• stationery
• travel costs for travel around London and between campuses
• graduation costs.

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