



## **Module Specification**

### **Applied Midwifery as a Skilled Practitioner 1**

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## Part 1: Information

**Module title:** Applied Midwifery as a Skilled Practitioner 1

**Module code:** UZUYBU-30-1

**Level:** Level 4

**For implementation from:** 2024-25

**UWE credit rating:** 30

**ECTS credit rating:** 15

**College:** College of Health, Science & Society

**School:** CHSS School of Health and Social Wellbeing

**Partner institutions:** None

**Field:** Maternal and Child Health

**Module type:** Module

**Pre-requisites:** None

**Excluded combinations:** None

**Co-requisites:** None

**Continuing professional development:** No

**Professional, statutory or regulatory body requirements:** None

## Part 2: Description

**Overview:** This module will enable students to experience direct “hands on” care of women and their newborn infants during practice placements, under the supervision of suitably qualified and prepared practitioners. Students will examine and identify, through guided participation and facilitation, how to assess, plan, provide and evaluate care, in partnership with women, in a range of settings and models and within interdisciplinary, multidisciplinary and multiagency teams. The module will introduce students to the principles and practice of combining knowledge,

understanding, skills and interpersonal and cultural competence to enable safe, effective and personalised midwifery care for women, newborn infants and families who have a range of physical, social, psychological and emotional needs.

**Features:** Not applicable

**Educational aims:** The indicative content will include clinical skill development focussing on the required professional standards, as stated within the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) Standards of proficiency for midwives (NMC 2019).

**Outline syllabus:** The indicative content will include clinical skill development focussing on the required professional standards, as stated within the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) Standards of proficiency for midwives (NMC 2019), under the following domains:

Communication, sharing information and relationship management

Being an accountable, autonomous, professional midwife

Safe and effective midwifery care

Continuity of care and carer

Assessment, screening, planning care and support across the continuum

Infant feeding

Medicines administration and optimisation

Principles and practice in universal care for all women and newborn infants

Additional care for women and newborn infants with complications (to include first line assessment of obstetric emergencies)

The midwife as colleague, scholar and leader

Reflective and reflexive practice, self-directed learning and seeking timely support and guidance

### **Part 3: Teaching and learning methods**

**Teaching and learning methods:** Students are supported to achieve the NMC (2019) Standards of proficiency for midwives by practice supervisors, practice assessors and academic assessors as determined in the NMC (2018) Standards for student supervision and assessment. Learning and development in placement settings will be complemented by clinical skills instruction, simulation and preparation for practice activities in university.

Supported learning activities include:

Scheduled learning:

Work Based Learning sessions

Clinical reflective seminars

Formative tripartite review and summative assessments

Medicines management and numeracy assessment

Simulation activities at UWE

On-line learning audits

**Independent learning:**

Includes hours engaged with essential reading, preparation and completion of assessment

**Module Attendance**

In order to meet the NMC requirements for pre-registration midwifery education programmes, completion of 2300 practice hours for the programme is mandatory. Safeguarding and medicines assessments are also course requirements and are therefore mandatory.

**Module Learning outcomes:** On successful completion of this module students will achieve the following learning outcomes.

**MO1** Demonstrate competency in Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) Standards of Proficiency for Midwives and Professional Behaviours in accordance with the MORA

**MO2** Apply knowledge and understanding of numeracy and pharmacology to demonstrate safe and effective medicines management, within scope of practice

**MO3** Demonstrate ability to reflect and learn from practice experiences and feedback from women and their families

**MO4** Understand and apply principles of evidence-based practice to clinical decision making in midwifery led care

**MO5** Apply knowledge and understanding of key concepts and factors to support women, their families and newborn infants, accessing midwifery led care, holistically across the childbearing continuum

**Hours to be allocated:** 300

**Contact hours:**

Independent study/self-guided study = 228 hours

Face-to-face learning = 72 hours

Total = 0

**Reading list:** The reading list for this module can be accessed at [readinglists.uwe.ac.uk](https://rl.talis.com/3/uwe/lists/7E7C3467-44A2-7F2D-9373-152FC0883448.html?lang=en-GB&login=1) via the following link <https://rl.talis.com/3/uwe/lists/7E7C3467-44A2-7F2D-9373-152FC0883448.html?lang=en-GB&login=1>

## Part 4: Assessment

**Assessment strategy:** The assessment strategy for this module will be supported by formative and summative review points. All formative reviews and summative assessments will be informed by the Midwifery Ongoing Record of Achievement (MORA).

The formative assessment:

An initial practice assessor meeting, practice supervisor ongoing support and further practice assessor reviews

A mid-year tripartite review including the student, practice assessor and academic assessor/PALM

Formative assessment of students' progress towards achieving the NMC (2019) Standards of proficiency for midwives will take place across each practice placement. These formative assessments will be conducted by the practice supervisor. The mid-year review will be undertaken by the practice assessor with the student midwife and the academic assessor present. This review of practice learning provides the opportunity for a formal review of the student's progress and learning goals as the student works towards achievement of required NMC (2019) Standards of proficiency for midwives, inclusive of an assessment of professional behaviours. Should concern exist in relation to the students' progress, a Practice Associate Lecturer in Midwifery (PALM) will support the student to develop an action plan.

Students will also have access to on-line knowledge audits to test their knowledge base and take steps to address any knowledge gaps

The summative assessment will include;

Assessment 1:

Successful completion of MORA, including a minimum of 80 % attendance of professional practice placement. Related course requirements.

Students will work towards the ability to achievement of the Standards of proficiency for midwives (NMC 2019) throughout the academic year.

Assessment 2:

During the final practice placement, students will undertake a final summative interview where the practice assessor and the academic assessor will determine whether the student has attained a sufficient level of competence to achieve the above, utilising a range of evidence to support achievement which includes evidence provided by the practice supervisors and feedback from service users, inclusive of an assessment of professional behaviours informed by student self-assessment and reflection.

Assessment 3:

Online exam with 24 hour submission window. covering aspects of NMC (2019) Domain Six.

**Assessment tasks:**

**Professional Practice Report (First Sit)**

Description: Achievement of NMC (2019) Standards of proficiency for midwives and professional behaviours including 80% attendance

(Pass/Fail)

Weighting: 0 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4, MO5

**Examination (Online) (First Sit)**

Description: Online exam (24 hours)

Weighting: 100 %

Final assessment: No

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO2, MO3, MO4, MO5

**Practical Skills Assessment (First Sit)**

Description: Completion of mandatory preparation for professional practice

Weighting: 0 %

Final assessment: No

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4, MO5

**Professional Practice Report (Resit)**

Description: Achievement of NMC (2019) Standards of proficiency for midwives and professional behaviours including 80% attendance

(Pass/Fail)

Weighting: 0 %

Final assessment: Yes

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4, MO5

**Examination (Online) (Resit)**

Description: Online exam (24 hours)

Weighting: 100 %



Final assessment: No

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO2, MO3, MO4, MO5

**Practical Skills Assessment (Resit)**

Description: Completion of mandatory preparation for professional practice

Weighting: 0 %

Final assessment: No

Group work: No

Learning outcomes tested: MO1, MO2, MO3, MO4, MO5

**Part 5: Contributes towards**

This module contributes towards the following programmes of study:

Midwifery {Apprenticeship-UWE} [Glenside] BSc (Hons) 2024-25