

# BSC (HONS) IN MIDWIFERY - CK740

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## Programme Learning Outcomes

Programme Learning Outcomes for BSc (Hons) Midwifery (NFQ Level 8, Major Award)

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

- Establish and maintain effective caring and interpersonal relationships with women using a salutogenic approach and represent the needs, choices, values and beliefs of individual women, babies and families while empowering her decision-making throughout the childbirth experience;
- Promote the process of the childbirth cycle as a normal physiological process within the context of a healthy lifestyle and the context of 'Making every contact count';
- Actively fulfil a philosophy of midwifery practice with a commitment to high standards of safe evidenced based care as guided by the scope of midwifery practice;
- Practice in line with legislation and use professional guidance and be responsible and accountable, demonstrating knowledge and skills of the activities of a midwife (EC Directive 2005/36/EC), with competence, kindness, compassion and respect for women, their families and community;
- Facilitate and communicate with women to establish relationships based on partnership, trust and confidentiality;
- Demonstrate reflective, lifelong learning for self and others to enhance competent, flexible and responsive midwifery practice;
- Demonstrate safe effective practice to recognise deviations from normal pregnancy, to communicate care of women appropriately and to provide emergency care to mothers and babies as part of the multidisciplinary team;
- Critically appraise and evaluate current research evidence and best practice for midwifery and its implications for practice in a variety of settings.