**NURSE-MIDWIFERY (ADVANCED CERTIFICATE)**

**Program Description**

Midwifery education is a synthesis drawing upon the student’s maturity and willingness to take active responsibility for their learning and the faculty’s experience and knowledge of the profession. While the learning styles of students may vary, mutual respect between students and faculty solidifies the midwifery educational process at NYU Meyers. Nurse-Midwifery is a blending of science balanced with art, the learning of theory is simultaneously reinforced by practical hands-on application and experience. In the end, students are matured not merely with knowledge of midwifery but experience in its practical, clinical application.

The faculty’s commitment to didactic learning of a specific knowledge base is not compromised by a focus on imparting the Midwifery Model of Care. The faculty instill a belief in the right of every person to receive care in the context of their uniqueness in all dimensions, namely, the spiritual, emotional, psychological, psychosocial, and physical. The Midwifery Model of Care, respects, enhances, and supports the normal physiological process while understanding the importance of independent, consultative, and referral practice components.

Program content is based on the American College of Nurse-Midwives (ACNM) core competencies for basic midwifery practice. An evidence-based approach to teaching midwifery competency is utilized by a faculty representing a range of expertise in all areas and places of midwifery practice. Students are encouraged through a problem-based learning approach to actively participate in their education as well as that of their colleagues. At NYU Meyers we teach our student nurse-midwives how to be self-educators/learners. Ultimately, the goal is not merely competency but an understanding that midwifery education is a career-long process.

To sustain competency, evaluation of care through self-examination, evaluation of practice as part of continuous quality improvement (CQI), and development of the evidence base for practice through research are essential to setting and maintaining standards.

The provision of comprehensive, integrated, ethical care requires cultural awareness, sensitivity, and competence on the part of the practitioner. In addition to core competencies and comprehension of the Midwifery Model of Care, student nurse-midwives are also given an understanding of the commitment that is expected of them as members of the profession at large. Nurse-Midwives are advocates for the needs of those they care for throughout their lifespans. They must be socially and politically vigilant and active in ensuring that public policies effectively ensure all health needs. Student midwives are groomed as future leaders. Midwifery is not just a career, it is a calling. All of this represents the philosophy and the commitment of the NYU Rory Meyers College of Nursing Nurse-Midwifery Program.

The NYU Meyers midwifery program faculty and staff stand in solidarity with our BiPOC and LGBTQ+ students. We are committed to supporting student success and are actively developing strategies to ensure a positive experience with the ultimate goal of diversifying the profession of midwifery. Prospective and current students, faculty, and staff are encouraged to visit the website of the Office of Global Inclusion, Diversity, and Strategic Innovation (https://www.nyu.edu/life/global-inclusion-and-diversity/who-we-are.html) to stay abreast of events and resources available to the entire NYU community. If you have any questions or concerns as it relates to diversity and inclusion or anti-racism work within the midwifery program, please contact Sascha James-Conterelli, Program Director.

**Admissions**

The application for our Advanced Certificate programs (https://apply.nursing.nyu.edu/apply) is available. All applicants to our Advanced Certificate programs are required to submit the following documents at the time of application:

1. One (1) transcript from each post-secondary school attended. We can review applications with unofficial transcripts. Admitted students will be asked to submit official transcripts prior to beginning coursework at NYU Meyers.
2. Resume.
3. A two- to three-page personal statement.
4. At least two (2) letters of recommendation.
5. RN license and registration certificate. Applicants may submit an application with an out-of-state license, but admitted students must obtain a New York State RN license prior to beginning coursework at NYU Meyers.

Applicants who have attended a post-secondary institution outside of the United States are required to upload one (1) transcript from each post-secondary school attended and submit one (1) official course-by-course evaluation of each foreign transcript directly to our office at the time of application. Applications will not be reviewed without these documents. Please mail official course-by-course evaluation(s) to:

NYU Rory Meyers College of Nursing
Office of Student Affairs and Admissions
433 First Avenue, LL1
New York, NY 10010

For applicants whose native language is not English, a copy of the applicant’s latest TOEFL or IELTS score is required. Admitted students will be asked to submit official test scores prior to beginning coursework at NYU Meyers. We require a minimum TOEFL internet-based score of 100 and an IELTS Band score of 7.


**Eligibility**

- Master’s degree in nursing
- GPA of 3.0
- NYS nursing license prior to beginning coursework
- Ability to successfully complete the academic and clinical requirements of the advanced certificate programs
- Prior to entering the specialty courses of a respective nursing master’s program, at least one year of full-time clinical experience as a registered nurse is required

**Important Notes**

We encourage applicants to fill out a FAFSA form at the time that they apply.
Applicants are encouraged to apply early. All deadlines listed are ‘in office’ deadlines, not postmark deadlines. It is always to the candidate’s best advantage to apply early, especially when applying for financial aid. Should any of the dates listed fall on a weekend, the deadline will be the next working day.

Applicants may check on the status of their application using their application login. Should applicants have any questions about the admissions process, they are encouraged to call the Office of Student Affairs and Admissions at 212-998-5317.

**Application Fee**
The application fee is $85 dollars. Applications will not be processed until the application fee has been paid. Application fees are non-refundable and must be received by the stated application deadlines.

**Fee Waivers**
NYU Meyers waives fees for applications based on financial hardship or US military service/US veteran status. To request that the application fee be waived, please submit a request to nursing.admissions@nyu.edu when submitting an application. The request should include the applicant’s full name and the program to which they are applying. We will notify applicants via email when their request for an application fee waiver has been approved.

**Program Requirements**
The program requires the completion of 13-30 credits depending on gap analysis.

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**Total Credits** 30

1 Required for advanced certificate.

**Sample Plan of Study**

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**Learning Outcomes**
Upon successful completion of the program, graduates will:

1. Demonstrate critical thinking and decision-making based on a synthesis of appropriate theories and evidence from nursing and other sciences as related to the roles of nurse practitioners, nurse-midwives, and/or roles as educators, administrators, informaticists, or clinical research nurses.
2. Perform role competencies defined by national professional organizations for nurse practitioners, nurse-midwifery roles and/or roles as educator, administrator, informaticist, or clinical research nurse.
3. Demonstrate evidence-informed decision-making related to a specific advanced practice role.
4. Advocate for universal access to quality and cost-effective healthcare for all populations across the lifespan.
5. Collaborate as members of interprofessional teams to achieve high-quality and cost-effective health outcomes.
6. Demonstrate advanced professional practice role competencies related to educational, leadership, policy, organizational, and management outcomes.
7. Demonstrate ethical decision-making in the context of personal and professional codes and guidelines.
8. Articulate a personal and professional philosophy about the Advanced Practice Nursing role that reflects patient-centered care, respect for diversity, cultural values, and a commitment to the preservation of human rights based on professional standards of practice, scope of practice, and respective professional codes of ethics.
10. Demonstrate effective written, verbal, and technological communication skills that influence the achievement of professional and health-related client outcomes in organizational, legislative, and policy settings.

**Policies**

**NYU Policies**
University-wide policies can be found on the New York University Policy pages [https://bulletins.nyu.edu/nyu/policies/].
College of Nursing Policies
Additional academic policies can be found on the College of Nursing academic policies page (https://bulletins.nyu.edu/graduate/nursing/academic-policies/).