

## Liverpool John Moores University

Title: Communication in Midwifery  
Status: Definitive  
Code: **4000MW** (124238)  
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Owning School/Faculty: Nursing and Allied Health  
Teaching School/Faculty: Nursing and Allied Health

| Team         | Leader |
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**Academic Level:** FHEQ4  
**Credit Value:** 10  
**Total Delivered Hours:** 20  
**Total Learning Hours:** 100  
**Private Study:** 80

### Delivery Options

Course typically offered: Semester 1

| Component | Contact Hours |
|-----------|---------------|
| Lecture   | 10            |
| Tutorial  | 1             |
| Workshop  | 9             |

**Grading Basis:** 40 %

### Assessment Details

| Category                     | Short Description | Description   | Weighting (%) | Exam Duration |
|------------------------------|-------------------|---|---------------|---------------|
| Essay                        | AS1               | The essay will consist of a discussion on how communication impacts on care - 2,000 words | 80            |               |
| Future Focus e-learning task | AS2               | Self Awareness Statement  | 20            |               |

### Aims

*To develop the students ability to communicate effectively in order to become an empathetic midwifery practitioner.*

## Learning Outcomes

After completing the module the student should be able to:

- 1 Identify the use of different forms of communication in midwifery practice.
- 2 Evaluate how different forms of communication used by the interprofessional team may either empower or disempower the woman accessing maternity care.
- 3 Reflect on how personal experiences, feelings and prejudices might affect the effective use of communication.
- 4 Identify and reflect upon the following aspects of self awareness in respect of personal development: strengths and weaknesses, motivations, values and ability to work with others.

## Learning Outcomes of Assessments

The assessment item list is assessed via the learning outcomes listed:

|                          |   |   |   |   |
|--------------------------|---|---|---|---|
| Essay                    | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Self Awareness Statement | 3 | 4 |   |   |

## Outline Syllabus

*Introduction to communication, maternal/fetal communication, mother/baby communication, communication skills, listening, care and compassion, breaking bad news, self-awareness, emotional intelligences, professional standards of communication, cultural competence, use of communication media, context of communication, holistic communication applied to midwifery, working with the multi-professional team.*

## Learning Activities

Lectures, workshops, tutorials all relating to self awareness and clinical practice communication.

Students will be formatively assessed throughout this module and specifically by: 1 x session of role play, small group work activity on breaking bad news.

## Notes

This module will enable students to gain knowledge of the different forms of communication used within the practice setting and to apply this knowledge to provide effective midwifery care.

The communication skills developed in this module will support Theme 5 Communication and Learning outcomes 12, 13, 14.: BFI Stage 1 Accreditation.

