



UNIVERSITÀ  
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

## COURSE SYLLABUS

### Childbirth

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#### Aims

At the end of the course the student:

- will understand the physiology of the birth
- will be able to plan an evidence based midwifery care to the mother with normal birth and to her newborn
- will understand the changes associated to the normal birth and will be able to verify the maternal and fetal well-being during labour.

#### Contents

The course provides the students the essential elements to understand the physiology of the birth and provides the elements to plan an evidence based midwifery care.

#### Detailed program

The students will be able to plan and to provide an evidence base midwifery care during labour and birth in accordance with the Midwifery Partnership Model, the Midwifery Management, the international Classification Functions and evaluation scales. Definition of phases and times of the labour and birth. Psycho-neuro-endocrinology of the labour and birth. Obstetrical semiotics and objective midwifery examination in labour and birth. Midwifery models of care during labour and birth. The "mother friendly" midwifery care according to the UNICEF initiative "Together for breastfeeding". Psychological, emotional, social and cultural factors related to pain and childbirth. Recommended midwifery care to monitor, to support and to promote maternal-fetal-neonatal well-being and the normal evolution of the first, second, third and fourth childbirth stages. Prevention of perineal damage. Tools for midwifery care during labour and birth. The administrative documentation.

## **Prerequisites**

Students will receive a detailed bibliography before lessons start. They will have to study the material in order to be evaluated on the required basic skills.

## **Teaching form**

Lectures, practice exercises and group work.

## **Textbook and teaching resource**

PAIRMAN S, TRACY J, THOROGOOD C, PINCOMBE S, Midwifery: preparation for practice, Churchill Livingstone, 2015, 3rd edition. COAD J, Anatomy and Physiology for midwives, Mosby 2011, 3° ed. SPANDRIO et al., Fisiologia della Nascita. Dai prodromi al post partum, Caroccio Faber, 1° ed, 2014. GUILLILAND K. & PAIRMAN S., The Midwifery Partnership. Un modello per la professione ostetrica, SEU, 2012.

## **Semester**

I semester

## **Assessment method**

Written exam with multiple choice test with only one correct answer and questions with brief answers. Oral exam

## **Office hours**

On appointment

## **Sustainable Development Goals**

GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

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