



UNIVERSITÀ  
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

## COURSE SYLLABUS

### Introduction To Midwifery

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#### Aims

Knowledge and Understanding:

Knowledge of the historical, professional and disciplinary evolution of midwifery.

Applying Knowledge and Understanding:

Contextualising the role of midwifery in light of its development

#### Contents

History of Midwifery, definition of the internal and external concept of History. Philology, primary and secondary historical sources.

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## **Prerequisites**

## **Teaching form**

Lectures are delivered in face - to - face mode with the possibility of videos, discussion, group or individual work

## **Textbook and teaching resource**

- Costantini W., Calistri D., (2013), *Ostetrica. Le basi scientifico-culturali*. Padova: Piccin; (Volume 1, Parte II, Percorso 8 "La Storia dell'Ostetricia").
- Guana M., et al., (2011) *La disciplina ostetrica: teoria, pratica e organizzazione della professione*, Milano: McGraw Hill, (cap. 1).

## **Semester**

1° Year - 1° semester

## **Assessment method**

Oral examination on the topics of the programme and the core bibliography.

The dates will be communicated at the beginning of the Academic Year through the "Exams Calendar". Changes will be possible depending on the number of students enrolled

There are no in itinere tests.

## **Office hours**

by appointment

## **Sustainable Development Goals**

GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING | QUALITY EDUCATION | GENDER EQUALITY

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