



# Master of Science in Midwifery

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## Program Guide



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# Advance the contributions of midwifery and **become a leader**

Canada's first midwifery graduate program is here, and your seat awaits. The new **Master of Science (MSc) in midwifery** program has been uniquely designed from the ground up to drive positive change and strengthen the midwifery profession around the globe. Our graduates will be at the forefront of the advancement of midwifery, and prepared for roles as clinical and professional leadership, educators, and researchers.

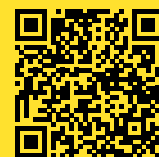
Designed with flexibility in mind, the MSc in midwifery program is offered through full-time and part-time study options, and delivered through asynchronous and synchronous online learning, paired with two in-person residencies. This provides midwives with the opportunity to develop skills in leadership, clinical knowledge, and scholarly advancement, all while continuing a clinical practice.

Chart your path today, and shape the future of midwifery in Canada and around the world.



## Be a Leader

At McMaster, we are committed to developing leadership in health-care professionals like you. Learn from community leaders and be one of the first to earn a Master of Science (MSc) in midwifery in this ground-breaking new program.



# MSc Midwifery at-a-Glance

**Degree Offered:** Master of Science (MSc) in midwifery.

**Delivered:** Online, course-based and thesis-based streams available, with two in-person residencies, and optional in-person electives and placements.

**Offered:** Full-time (24-months) or Part-time (36-months)

**Program Start:** May 5, 2025

**Application Deadline:** January 10, 2025

**Funding:** Many healthcare employers and professional associations provide funds to offset tuition for advanced University degrees. Speak to your employer or association to determine eligibility.

## Course-Based Stream

The course-based program is available in full or part-time study options, allowing midwives to continue their clinical practice, while having the flexibility need to complete the program.

## Core Courses:

Leadership in the Midwifery Profession, Social Justice and Systems Change, Foundations of Research for Midwifery Leadership, Midwifery Residency I & II, and a Capstone Project (course-based stream) or a Thesis (thesis-based stream).

## Thesis-Based Stream

The thesis-based program is only available as a full-time study option, offering the opportunity to undertake a major piece of investigation and research under the guidance of a faculty thesis supervisor.

## Elective Courses:

Midwifery-Led Sexual and Reproductive Health Care, Trauma and Violence-Informed Care, Community Centred Care, Perinatal Mental Health, Well-infant Primary Care, Point of Care Ultrasound in Maternity Care, Surgical Assistance in Obstetrics: C-Section, Leadership Placement, and Advanced Midwifery Clinical Practicum, and more.

“Our key motivation in creating this program is to graduate midwifery leaders who can increase the impact of the profession in health systems, and to expand the capacity of the midwifery profession to improve access to high quality sexual and reproductive health care, particularly for underserved populations.”

– **Liz Darling**,  
Assistant Dean of Midwifery



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