Doctor of Midwifery (D.M.)

Information Session
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Doctor of Midwifery students at Jefferson develop advanced skills for evidence-based leadership, clinical practice, education, policy or administration.
3-year progression
Small classes
Supportive & accomplished faculty
Close mentoring

CNM/CM/CPM/RM with master’s degree

Advances in Midwifery doctoral project:
address a relevant real-world issue, from problem identification through project design, implementation, evaluation, and dissemination
Midwifery Lifelong Career Engagement
The path to a successful midwife is founded on education, support, and community

- ACCREDITATION: Accreditation Commission for Midwifery Education (ACME)
- EDUCATION: Directors of Midwifery Education (DOME)
- CERTIFICATION: American Midwifery Certification Board (AMCB)
- PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT/SUPPORT/COMMUNITY: The American College of Nurse-Midwives (ACNM)
- ADVANCEMENT OF MIDWIFERY PROFESSION: The A.C.N.M. Foundation, Inc.

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In order to develop leadership knowledge, skills, and competencies that foster changes to improve the health care and outcomes of women and newborns, professionals in the field of midwifery are called upon to expand opportunities for education at the highest levels of midwifery practice.

Amal Amar-Alattaby
Director of Midwifery and Advanced Practice Nursing at NYU Langone Brooklyn Family Health Center- Women’s Health
Staten Island, NY
CLASS OF 2022

Midwife Amar-Alattaby has been practicing full-scope midwifery in Brooklyn NY for the past 11 years. She always desired to complete a doctorate but was adamant about it being a doctorate in midwifery.

“My promotion to the director of midwifery at NYU Langone Brooklyn, FHC Women’s Health truly compelled me to seek a doctorate program that would foster my growth as a midwifery leader.”

According to Amal, the program requires dedicated and self- disciplined students. The means to leadership growth are readily available, students must reach out and attain them.
Dr. Barbara Hackley

FACULTY, FOUNDING DIRECTOR
PhD UNIVERITY OF ARIZONA
MS, CNM COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Award-winning author

Experienced midwifery educator

Clinical expertise in Resilience, group care, primary care, transdisciplinary programming

COURSES

- MIDW 810 - Epidemiology
- MIDW 807 - Data Driven Midwifery
- MIDW 821 - AIM Project Design and Methods
- MIDW-815 - Grant Writing (and more)
Elle Schnetzler, DM, CM
LIEUTENANT COLONEL, UNITED STATES ARMY
FALLS CHURCH, VA
CLASS OF 2019

Dr. Schnetzler believes deeply in advancement and integration of the distinct midwifery profession in our healthcare system. As a military officer she understands that this requires not only clinical expertise but the cultivation of midwifery leaders. As an alum, she was excited to continue her midwifery education alongside a diverse group of midwives with the common goal of building our skills to advance the profession.

“Developing midwifery leaders is imperative, we fail the women we serve when we do not equip ourselves appropriately to be change agents within the systems we learn and practice.”

She emboldens midwives with a passion for doctoral preparation to be dynamic leaders within their field of midwifery.
Dr. Condon believes it is critically important for midwives to do our own research. She was highly motivated to be in a program with other midwives passionate about our unique, distinct profession.

“Midwifery scholarship has so much to offer the world and I am inspired by what we can contribute to education, policy, humanitarian aims, and quality healthcare.”

She encourages those who are called to academic excellence at the doctoral level to research, study, and achieve mastery in their chosen field: midwifery.
Paula Pelletier-Butler, DM, CPM
OWNER/DIRECTOR/MIDWIFE, FLAGSTAFF BIRTH AND WOMEN’S CENTER
FLAGSTAFF, AZ
CLASS OF 2019

Dr. Pelletier-Butler is involved in international work scaling up birth centers. She chose Jefferson because the program is rigorous and midwifery specific.

“My doctorate in midwifery has given me skills in leadership and project development, as well as a seat at the table.”

She recommends this program for motivated students who want to become better communicators, both verbal and written.
“As I advocate for midwifery care during the COVID-19 pandemic, I’m using all of the skills I have learned in this program over the past two years. I am in such a different place then I was.”

Emily McGahey, Class of 2020
Admissions Requirement Checklist

- University Application (apply online)
- Official transcripts
- Proof of national certification/registration in midwifery (and license in the US)
- Two professional letters of reference
- Statement of purpose
- Academic Writing Sample or GRE
Admissions Tips

• Rolling admissions, best to apply early
• Interview scheduled once all application materials received
• Helpful hints: Why Jefferson? Why a doctorate in midwifery? Why you? How have you fulfilled your curiosity about this doctorate and tested your readiness for this rigorous course of study?
Financial Aid

Thomas Jefferson University's FAFSA code (013549)

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