



The Faculty of Health and Social Care and Education is a unique collaboration between two institutions, Kingston University and St George's University of London. Students belong to both institutions, access to 2 learning resource centres and student support services and organisations <http://www.healthcare.ac.uk/>

It provides education and training for a range of professional groups including nursing, midwifery, child health, paramedic science, radiography, rehabilitation sciences and social work, as well as a range of continuing personal and professional development programmes. The Midwifery School is situated on the St George's site, Tooting

Health and Social Care education is commissioned by The National Health Service (NHS). Students do not pay course fees and are eligible for a means tested bursary. The NHS commissioning bodies determine student numbers and monitor the quality of the programmes.

Healthcare programmes must also meet the requirements of the relevant professional body. Midwifery programmes are regulated by the professional body, the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) to meet national and international standards - European Union Midwives Directive (80/155/EEC Article 4) and are subject to review by the Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education (QAA) <http://www.nmc-uk.org/>

The Midwifery Programmes

BSc(Hons) 3 year full time programme – intake of approximately 60 students per year.

BSc(Hons) 78 week full time programme for Registered Nurses.-intake of approximately 15

Both programmes are modular and students gain credits throughout the programme. Students are assessed in both theory and practice

Clinical experience is gained in maternity units in the local healthcare Trusts.: Epsom and St Helier, Mayday, Kingston & St George's. Each student has placements in 2 maternity units. Year 1 & 2, Site 1. Year 3 Site 2.

Students have a variety of placements on each site including delivery suite, community, neonatal unit and antenatal & postnatal care.

There are also short placements in A&E, theatre, paediatrics and gynaecology Year 3, allows for a two week visit to another maternity setting.

Previous student, International visits have included New York, ,the Netherlands, Uganda and Japan .Within the U.K visits to Portsmouth, Devon , Wales and Central London.

Visiting students

After orientation to the Faculty and the Midwifery school students to observe practice in the clinical areas. <http://www.healthcare.ac.uk/schools/midwifery/what-our-students-say/three-bsc-students/>

Students will be able to utilise the learning resource centre at St George's

A programme of activities will be provided for visiting students which incorporates , study sessions, reflective sessions and clinical placement in a specified maternity unit , working full days with midwifery staff. This may include allocation to delivery suite, midwifery led units, antenatal and postnatal care and community. All clinical placements are planned and co-ordinated with the Clinical Practice Facilitators in the maternity units. Visiting students will work alongside midwives at all times and will be observers of practice .

The maternity units are St George's Tooting
<https://www.stgeorges.nhs.uk/service/maternity-services/>

And Kingston

<http://www.kingstonhospital.nhs.uk/departments-services/clinical-services/maternity.aspx>

Students will need to travel between the clinical sites. Travel links are good. Kingston Maternity Unit is a 40 minute bus ride from SGH. **Students visiting from New York Programme outline**

Day1 In the Midwifery School.at St George's Introductory Day

Day 2.3.4. Group A Students allocated to Maternity Unit at St George's

Group B Students allocated to Kingston Maternity Unit

Day 5 am only in Midwifery School :

Reflection on Practice experiences

Weekend free

Day 6 . Public Holiday

Day 7.8.9 Group B Students allocated to Maternity Unit at St George's

Group A Students allocated to Kingston Maternity Unit

Day 10 am only Reflection .Evaluation and Bon Voyage!

If there is a particular experience you would like .e.g spending time in a neonatal unit or a specialist fetal medicine unit. Please let me know and we will do what we can to try to arrange it.

What to wear?

Mufti (smartish street clothes) will be fine.-

Shirts, short sleeve tops -Units have a 'bare below the elbow' policy , so no watches or bangles.

No jewellery apart from small stud earrings . No nail polish.

Trousers or a skirt .

Shoes -not flip flops or sandals.

Headscarves – plain . dark coloured.

If you are working in a labour setting or theatre during your visit the units provide 'scrubs'.

Accommodation

Accommodation in the area is quite expensive.

Previous students used Flexistay Tooting

<http://www.booking.com/searchresults.en-gb.html?aid=311076;label=hotel-35748-gb->

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Students have also found accommodation using AirBnB

Food

There are a variety of places to eat within St George's ranging from coffee shops to staff restaurants. There is a mini supermarket within the hospital and within a five minute walk a busy high street with a variety of shops,,banks and restaurants. Local restaurants are varied, and economical.

Travel

Travel links are good. Tooting is served by tube, buses and main line rail links are a short bus journey. <http://www.sgul.ac.uk/about-st-georges/how-to-get-to-st-georges>

Information and journey planners are available at Transport for London
<http://www.tfl.gov.uk/gettingaround/default.aspx>

Central London can be accessed easily by tube for sightseeing. Rail links enable students to travel to other parts of the country, previous students have chosen to visit Stonehenge and Bath, and some went to Paris on the Eurostar.

General requirements

Forms

Students will be required to complete forms for Health Clearance, application for Identity badges and temporary enrolment, and provide a Criminal Records Bureau/ Police check