

Midwifery Programs for RNs with Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing

	Master of Science in Midwifery*	Master of Science in Nurse-Midwifery with Advanced Certificate in Midwifery*
States where you can practice	Restrictions to practice in several states. No restrictions in NYS.	No restrictions. Graduates can practice midwifery in all 50 states
Prescriptive Authority	Restrictions for prescriptive authority in several states. No restrictions in NYS.	No restrictions. Graduates have prescriptive authority in all states.
Leadership & Management Positions	Can assume leadership and management positions in midwifery and health care, but there can be restrictions on assuming nursing leadership and management positions.	No restrictions. Can assume leadership and management positions in midwifery, health care or nursing.

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Admission Criteria	Any Baccalaureate degree from a college or university regionally accredited by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA).	Baccalaureate degree in Nursing from a college or university regionally accredited by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA).
Admission Procedures	Interview with a midwifery faculty member from the College of Health Related Professions (CHRP) for qualified applicants once application is complete.	Joint interview with a midwifery faculty member from the College of Health Related Professions and a nursing faculty member from the College of Nursing for qualified applicants once application is complete.
Total number of Credits	38 credits of midwifery didactic and clinical courses <i>plus</i> 12 credits (4 courses) of Masters courses in the Midwifery Program.	38 credits of midwifery didactic and clinical courses <i>plus</i> 20 credits of Masters courses in the College of Nursing.
Teaching Faculty	All courses are taught by midwifery faculty except Pharmacology, which is taught by a Pharm D.	The 38 credits are taught by midwifery faculty, Pharmacology is taught by a Pharm D and the Master courses are taught by the College of Nursing faculty.
Focus of Master's Courses	Midwifery focus for Research, Teaching and Health Care Policy and Community Assessment. Can do International Health Care Policy in lieu of Health Care Policy & Community Assessment.	Research and Evidence Based practice, Population Health and Clinical Outcomes, Organizational and Systems Leadership for APN, Philosophical and Theoretical Perspectives for APN.
Who Attends Classes	All midwifery students from varied educational and experiential backgrounds.	Nurse-midwifery students and all other advanced practice nursing students (family and women's health nurse practitioner, clinical nurse specialist, and nurse anesthetist students).
Class Time	During daytime hours except Pharmacology (evening class weekly for one semester). 4 Masters courses delivered in a hybrid format, with most materials offered online; one day on campus per semester per course.	During daytime hours except Pharmacology (evening class weekly for one semester). Masters courses are delivered in a hybrid format. All courses are offered on the same day.
Class Size	Didactic classes average 8–16 students.	Didactic classes average 25–30 students.
Future Enrollment in a Doctoral Program	Most doctoral programs, including the developing Doctor of Midwifery, will accept students with this degree. Nursing doctoral programs <i>may</i> require a prior Master's degree in nursing.	<i>No restrictions.</i> Graduates are eligible for many types of doctoral programs, including <i>all</i> nursing doctoral programs.

NOTE: RNs with a Masters in a field related to midwifery, including nursing, are eligible for an Advanced Certificate in Midwifery. If the Masters is not in nursing, the same restrictions might apply as to the restrictions noted for the Masters of Science in Midwifery. Information regarding licensure or regulations regarding practice is in effect as of the time of publication and is subject to change.