

University of Ljubljana Faculty of Health Sciences Department of Midwifery

4STEPS meeting

Tampere, 25. - 30. 11. 2019

About Slovenia

Population: 2 million

• Area: 20,273 km²

Capital: Ljubljana

Official language: Slovenian

• Currency: Euro

• Political system: Democratic Republic

Independent from YU 1991 Member of the Euro

• Language Slovenian

Highest peak: Triglav (2864 m)

Coast: Adriatic Sea (47 km of coastline)









About Ljubljana

• The capital of Slovenia

• Area: 275 km²

• Population: 283,000

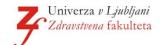
Average January temperature: around 0° C

Average July temperature: above 20° C

 Kongresni trg is one of the central squares in Ljubljana featuring the seat of the University of Ljubljana







The University of Ljubljana

- Established in 1919 with 5 member schools
- At present: 23 faculties and 3 arts academies
- 1. Academy of Fine Arts and Design
- 2. Academy of *Music*
- 3. Academy of Theatre, Radio, Film and Television
- 4. Biotechnical Faculty
- 5. Faculty of *Administration*
- **6.** Faculty of *Architecture*
- 7. Faculty of *Arts*
- 8. Faculty of Chemistry and Chemical Technology
- 9. Faculty of Civil and Geodetic Engineering
- **10**. Faculty of *Computer and Information Science*
- 11. Faculty of *Economics*
- 12. Faculty of Education
- 13. Faculty of *Electrical Engineering*

- 14. Faculty of *Health Science*
- 15. Faculty of *Law*
- **16**. Faculty of *Maritime Studies and Transport*
- 17. Faculty of Mathematics and Physics
- 18. Faculty of Mechanical Engineering
- 19. Faculty of *Medicine*
- 20. Faculty of Natural Sciences and Engineering
- 21. Faculty of *Pharmacy*
- 22. Faculty of Social Sciences
- 23. Faculty of *Social Work*
- 24. Faculty of Sport
- 25. Faculty of *Theology*
- 26. Veterinary Faculty



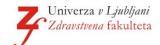
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FIELDS OF STUDY

Natural Science, Technology and Engineering, Social Sciences, Humanities, Medicine, Art





The University of Ljubljana

- 40.833 students
 2113 international students
 1613 incoming exchange students
- 9.684 graduates
- 5.747 employees
- 3946 registered researchers
- 331 young researchers + 16 post-docs
- 196 long-term research programmes
- 440 research projects







Faculty of Health sciences

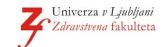
MISSION AND VISION

- Excellent academic health science and research instit
- Dean: assoc. prof. dr. Andrej Starc

Close cooperation with Slovenian and European eductions

Evidence-based knowledge





8 academic programmes

- First cycle degree of higher professional education:
 - Midwifery
 - Occupational therapy
 - Orthotics and prosthetics
 - Laboratory dental prosthetics
- First & second cycle degree of higher professional educ
 - Nursing
 - Physiotherapy
 - Radiologic technology
- Firts & second cycle degree of university education:
 - Sanitary engineering







Midwifery program

• Head of midwifery department Anita Prelec,



Deputy of the head of midwifery department Metka Sk





• Head of Midwifery chair Ana Polona Mivsek, PhD

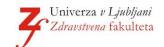
History of midwifery education in Slovenia

• 18th century midwifery school (empress Maria Theresa) – 1753 Ljubljana (till 1982)

 In 1996 higher education; implementation in 2005 (EU) and 2007 (Bologna)

Currently developing MSc program and implementing the BSc program into 4years





Midwifery programme

• LEVEL: 1st Cycle

• DURATION: 3 years (6 semesters)

NUMBER OF CREDITS: 180 ECTS

• PROFESSIONAL TITLE: diplomirana babica/ diplomirani babičar

















































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Curriculum

- 5400 hours of lectures, seminars, clinical practices and individual work
- 50% theory and 50% practice
- First year basic knowledge and physiology of antepartum, intrapartum and postpartum care
- Second and third year study gives knowledge on recognizing pathology in order to transfer women to specialists
- In the last semester elective subjects
- diploma work that consists of practical and theoretical exam, writing and presenting the thesis





Ljubljana team in 4 STEPS

PETRA PETROCNIK

 MSc In Midwifery & PhD student (UK)

Departmental Erasmus + coordinator

 Special interest in physiological birth and family planning





Ljubljana team in 4 STEPS

POLONA MIVSEK

- First midwifery graduate in Slovenia BSc, MSc an PhD
- Worked in the delivery room Ljubljana
- Head of department for 10 years, head of midwifery chair from 2014
- Member of ICM education board











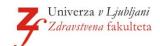




































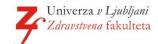


Educational system in Slovenia



- □Primary school (8 years till 2004, now 9)
- □Secondary school (gymnasium or other 3-4 years)
- □ Professional exam or National exam (matura)
- □Colleges/Faculties (3-4 years)
- ■Master programme MSc (1-2 years)
- □PhD





Entry requirements for midwifery

- ☐ Students may apply after successfully completing any four-year secondary school program with final professional exam or national exam.
- ☐ In case of too many applicants, candidates are selected according to:
 - the grades of the matura or professional exam 60%,
 - the final grades of the third and the fourth year of a secondary school - 40%.





Midwifery programme is based on:

- midwifery services as laid down by EU sectoral directives,
- strategy for the European Higher Education (Bologna Declaration),
- Higher Education Act Regulations in the Republic of Slovenia,
- present and anticipated population's demands and needs for midwifery health care, taking into consideration the latest professional development,
- past employment and experiences of midwives and related health care professionals,
- WHO directives on health protection and promotion, initiatives of professional associations (ICM, EMA, Chamber of Nursing and Midwifery – Union of Slovenian Associations of Nurses, Midwives and Nurse Assistants, Section of Nursing and Midwifery).



Midwifery syllabus

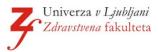
YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3
Anatomy, Physiology and Pathology	Basics of Clinical Medicine and First Aid	Introduction to Research Methodology
Psychosocial Context of Midwifery	Obstetrics and Gynecology	Midwifery and Mmidwifery Practice 3
Natural Sciences	Health Care for Children	General elective subjects
Health Protection	Legal and Professional Responsibilities of Midwives	Professional elective subjects
Linguistic and IT Skills	Midwifery and Midwifery Practice 2	Diploma work
Reproductive Health and Professional Ethics	Health as a Value	
Midwifery and Midwifery Practice 1		

Theoretical modules in the curriculum

1. year	2. year	3. year
MIDWIFERY	MIDWIFERY	MIDWIFERY
(midwifery care)	(midwifery care)	(midwifery care)
BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES IN MIDWIFERY	WOMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S HEALTH	CLIENTS SPECIAL NEEDS IN MIDWIFERY
(Anatomy with embriology, Biochem., Microbiology)	(Paediatrics, MC of children, women and families)	(Selected themes from Surgery, Traumatology)
WOMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S HEALTH (Obstetrics, Neonatology)	HEALTH PROMOTION IN MIDWIFERY (Social medicine, Health and	ORGANISATION AND LAW FOUNDATIONS FOR M. PRACTICE
REFLECTIVE MIDWIFERY PRACTICE (Ethics, Philosophy)	sexual education)	(Organisation, Health and social legislation)
CLIENTS SPECIAL NEEDS IN MIDWIFERY	REFLECTIVE MIDWIFERY PRACTICE	HEALTH PROTECTION IN MIDWIFERY
(Selected themes from internal medicine)	(Supervision, Personal development)	(Hygiene and ecology, Nutrition)
RESEARCH IN MIDWIFERY (Biostatistics, Computing and informatics, Research)	CLIENTS SPECIAL NEEDS IN MIDWIFERY (Selected themes from Neurology, Dermatoven.)	PSYCHOSOCIAL ASPECTS IN MIDWIFERY (Sociology, Psychology, Mentalization health)

Practical training in the midwifery curriculum I. YEAR

<u>Clinical training</u>	<u>Practical training</u>
Introduction in clinical training	Antenatal classes I
MC of labouring women (delivery room)	MC of labouring women (delivery room)
MC of gynaecological clients	MC of gynaecological clients
	MC for women with normal pregnancy (Community clinic) 160 hours
	Reproduction



Practical training in the midwifery curriculum II. YEAR

Clinical training	Practical training	Summer practice
MC of women with risk pregnancy	MC of women with risk pregnancy	MC of labouring women*
MC of gynaecological patients (EINT gynaecology)	MC of gynaecological patients (EINT gynaecology	
MC of ill, pre-term newborns (EINT neon.)	MC of ill, pre-term and underweighted newborn babies (EINT neon.)	
MC of postpartum women and their babies	MC of postpartum women and their babies (normal and EINT surgical ward)	
Supervision	MC of labouring women	
	MC of ill babies (paediatrics, surgical ward)	
	MC for women with pathological pregnancy (community clinic)	*Choice of other Slovenian maternity hospitals





Practical training in the midwifery curriculum III. YEAR

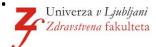
Clinical training	<u>Practical training</u>	
Diploma exam	Antenatal classes II	
Community and dispensary service	Community and dispensary service	
Intervision	MC of labouring women	





Midwifery graduates are experts in:

- the field of reproductive health,
- health promotion,
- family planning counselling,
- health education.
- autonomous health monitoring of pregnant women,
- providing care for women during pregnancy, labour and in the postpartum period,
- Newborn and baby examination,
- counselling in breastfeeding,
- support to the family,
- helping menopausal women and women with gynaecological problems.





Organisation of midwifery in Slovenia



Ministry of health

■ Nurses and midwives association of Republic Slovenia chief executive officer is Anita Prelec

Professional group of nurses nad midwives





History of midwifery in Slovenia

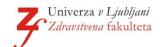
• 1960's Shift of birth from home to hospital

• 2001 midwives can perform independently 5 of 10 antenatal exams

2007 registration Nurses and Midwifery assoc. (licences)
 Cca.700 midwives (cca.400 BSc); mainly intrapartum care

• 2019 law regarding home births and independent midwifery





Midwifery in Slovenia





Reproduction facts

- 21000-22000 biths/year; average 1,53 per family
- Average age of mothers is raising
- 86% of partners present at birth
- 2 ultrasounds and 10 examinations in healthy pregnancy
- 19,1% s.c. (41% elective); V.E. 3,1%; 32% epiziotomy
- 30 % of vaginal breech dekiveries, 33 % successful rate of VBAC
- 17 % of epidural analgesia



