



Disclosures - Bachelors of Science in Midwifery Degree

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Preceptors:

Each student in the BS in Midwifery (BSM) degree is required to locate a preceptor* for the clinical portion of their program (Freshman spring, Sophomore fall, and Senior year.) During these semesters, students will be taking online courses, therefore, preceptors may be located anywhere within the United States and students may be required to relocate at their own expense. While Bethany Global University (BGU) does have a network of preceptors and will assist students in this process, it is ultimately the student's responsibility.

The clinical requirements of the BSM prepare students to sit for the North American Registry of Midwives (NARM) exam and upon passing the exam students receive a Certified Professional Midwife (CPM) certificate. Students will spend approximately 1,000-2,000 hours completing clinical experiences, skills practice, and other clinical learning activities.

** A BGU preceptor must register with NARM and meet the minimum requirements outlined by NARM. A NARM preceptor must have an additional three years of experience after credentialing or fifty primary/co-primary births beyond entry-level CPM requirements. Additionally, they must also have ten continuity of care births beyond entry-level CPM requirements.*

(<https://narm.org/preceptors/>)

Travel:

Students in the BSM program are required to provide their own transportation during the clinical portion of their program (i.e., driving to and from the clinic, making house calls, etc.) Public transport is not sufficient within the vicinity of campus and may not be available at all for those with out-of-state preceptors; therefore, we highly recommend that students have their own vehicle.

Accreditation:

As an institution, BGU is accredited by the Association for Biblical Higher Education ([ABHE](#)), the oldest Bible college accreditation agency, specializing in biblical ministry formation and professional leadership education. It is officially recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation ([CHEA](#)) and the U.S. Department of Education. It is also one of the eight regional associations that make up the International Council for Evangelical Theological Education ([ICETE](#)), representing North America.

BGU's Bachelors of Science in Midwifery degree is in the process of meeting the requirements and standards for institutional accreditation. Upon approval, all enrolled students will be eligible to take the North American Registry of Midwives (NARM) board exam and earn a U.S. Certified Professional Midwife (CPM) certificate. The CPM is currently recognized in most U.S. states and opens the door to practice in many countries around the world.

Licensure:

Graduation from the Bethany Global University's Bachelors of Science in Midwifery degree program does not guarantee midwifery licensure or certification.

Minnesota State Licensure Requirements:

- Current certification of valid and current NARM credential as a certified professional midwife (also serves as documentation verifying the practical experience requirement and approved education program or internship). Obtain through [NARM website](#).
- Copy of current certification from the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross for adult and infant cardiopulmonary resuscitation.
- Medical consultation plan.
- Copy of supporting documentation of name change, if name on application is different from diploma or certificate.
- A full face, recent, 2x2" photograph must be affixed as indicated on the application and notarized as a true likeness.
- Copy of military discharge papers, if applicable.
- All your time must be accounted for, on the application, from high school to the date of application. During continuous years of education, a period of three months or less (summer break) need not be accounted for. Please ensure all dates are in mm/yyyy format.
- Non-refundable \$233.25 fee. Make check payable to the Minnesota Board of Medical Practice.
- Any other information requested by the Board.

Licensure in Other States:

Requirements for licensure vary from state to state. For more information on a particular state, please review this chart by the [Midwives Alliance of North America \(MANA\)](#).