



# BIRTHWISE MIDWIFERY SCHOOL

## 2017 Application for Admission

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security #: \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent address if different from above:

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How did you hear about Birthwise?

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Program Applying to: \_\_\_\_\_ Campus Program \_\_\_\_\_ Community Program

For the Community Program, name and location of mentor midwife if known:

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## OPTIONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The following information is optional and has no bearing on your application to Birthwise Midwifery School; your responses will help us give you the most relevant program information in your interview process.

Family Status:

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Children (with ages):

\_\_\_\_\_

Primary language: \_\_\_\_\_ Other language(s): \_\_\_\_\_

### EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Please include high school, **all** colleges and universities attended (regardless of graduation), and any certificate courses or workshops. List awards or other achievements. **If homeschooled, provide documentation. \* Official transcripts must either be sent directly to the school in a sealed envelope or emailed directly from the school on a secure server to studentaffairs@birthwisemidwifery.edu. For financial aid reasons, you must include ALL transcripts from ALL previously attended institutions.**

<i>Name of School</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Dates Attended</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>Degree Achieved</i>

### PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE RELATED TO MATERNITY CARE

Please briefly describe any birth-related experiences, including previous midwifery work, midwifery assisting, doula work, or personal birth experience.

<i>Type of Experience</i>	<i>Date(s) of Experience</i>	<i>Contact Person (if applicable)</i>


**OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND**

List your employment history from most recent to earliest. You may include significant volunteer positions.

<i>Employer</i>	<i>Dates Worked</i>	<i>Job Title</i>

**SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS**

**Please address the following prompts thoroughly and thoughtfully in short-answer paragraphs. Attach additional PDF or Word document pages as necessary.**

1. Why do you want to attend births specifically as a Certified Professional Midwife (CPM) rather than as a Certified Nurse Midwife (CNM)?

2. Describe the political/legal status of Certified Professional Midwives in the state in which you currently live or plan to practice midwifery?

3. What makes you excited when you imagine yourself as a midwife? What makes you apprehensive?

4. What are your personal strengths, and how will they help make you an excellent midwife?

5. What are the challenges you see for yourself as you grow on your path to becoming a midwife?

6. Why do you want to attend Birthwise Midwifery School in particular?

7. Describe 1 or 2 key life experiences that have helped shape you into the person you are today:

8. Please describe any health or learning challenges that may impact your experience at Birthwise and how you have learned to overcome or compensate for these:

### ESSAY QUESTION

**Please write an essay addressing the following prompt. Attach your essay in PDF or Word .docx form ONLY if submitting your application electronically. If submitting a physical copy, please type your essay and include it with your application.**

Describe your introduction to, and interest in, midwifery and birth. Why are you on this path? How does midwifery reflect your personal philosophy of pregnancy and birth? Why do you feel called to this career and lifestyle? What do you imagine for yourself after school when you are a practicing birth worker? What do you want to do with your life as a midwife?

### FINANCIAL CHECKLIST

- \_\_\_\_\_ I am interested in applying for Title IV Loans and Grants
- \_\_\_\_\_ I have completed a FAFSA application online (School code: 036123)
- \_\_\_\_\_ I plan to pay for school out-of-pocket
- \_\_\_\_\_ I plan to apply for the
  - Underserved Communities Scholarship       Midwives of Color Access Program
- \_\_\_\_\_ I will be using other scholarship money
  - AmeriCorps     GI Bill     Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Additional Items for Canadian and Other International Students:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ I plan to pay with OSAP funding (Ontario residents only)
- \_\_\_\_\_ I am not a US citizen; I will need to apply for a student visa if accepted

## APPLICATION CHECKLIST

**Your application will not be considered complete until all items on the checklist have been addressed and all necessary paperwork has been received by the school.**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Application Form
- \_\_\_\_\_ Application Fee (\$50)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Essay
- \_\_\_\_\_ Official High School Transcript or Equivalent
- \_\_\_\_\_ ALL Official College Transcript(s) (if you have attended college)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Doula Training Certificate
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3 Letters of Reference with Accompanying Reference Forms

- One or more from a midwifery or birth related connection, if possible

- Name:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

- One or more from a work-related or professional connection

- Name:

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- One non-family personal reference.

- Name:

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Application Deadlines

**Early Admission: February 15, 2017**

**Regular Admission: April 15, 2017**

*Mail To: Birthwise Midwifery School, 24 S. High St., Bridgton, ME 04009*

*Email To: [studentaffairs@birthwisemidwifery.edu](mailto:studentaffairs@birthwisemidwifery.edu)*

**\*Pictures of applications and reference forms /letters of recommendation WILL NOT be accepted, but you may download a .pdf scanner application for your phone or mobile device and convert pictures to an acceptable .pdf format for submission\***

If you have questions regarding the application process contact  
the Student Affairs Coordinator at:

[Studentaffairs@birthwisemidwifery.edu](mailto:Studentaffairs@birthwisemidwifery.edu) or (207) 647-5968 ext. 106