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# Studying the Nursing and Midwifery Through Time, Space and Disciplines

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## Résumé

This workshop discusses nursing and midwifery as professions, focusing on care practices, educations, training, and working conditions, considering the temporal and spatial contexts in which african professionals learn and work. The workshop will address the following questions: Who currently works or has worked in nursing and midwifery in Africa? What was/is their education and training, and how has this changed over time? Where and when have African nurses and midwives studied or practised healthcare abroad?

These discussions are important because they enable us to compare the histories, as well as the present and future, of these professions, particularly during the colonial and post-colonial periods in Africa and beyond. Studying these professions therefore provides insight into social history, care governance and contemporary work issues. The methods used to study these professions can differ depending on whether an interdisciplinary, transdisciplinary or disciplinary approach is taken, and on the research methods employed, such as oral history, archive research, or quantitative, qualitative or mixed methods. We will learn how to conduct research and understand the conditions under which it is carried out, particularly in times of war or crisis.

I have contacted the expected participants, who have suggested topics for their presentations and possible journals for publication. Scholars from the University of Turin, Sorbonne University, the London School of Economics and Political Science, and Juba University will attend online.

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