Brief introduction to the department:

The department was established with the founding of the college in 1962. Its experience and curricula are based on the expertise of the World Health Organization in teaching and training.

In the early 1970s, some female teachers who had completed their studies abroad began to take on the scientific tasks of the department.

The department was called Women's Nursing and Obstetrics until 2015, when it was renamed the Maternal and Child Health Nursing Department.

In 2016, the department was renamed to its current name, the Maternal and Child Nursing Department.

The subject of women's nursing and obstetrics is taught in the third of four academic stages Midwifery and obstetrics is taught in the third of four academic stages in a single semester, during which students learn about: the different stages of fetal growth and development, nursing care for women during pregnancy, childbirth, and the postpartum period, complications, critical conditions, and various emergency situations during pregnancy, childbirth, and the postpartum period, as well as newborn care. The theoretical and practical aspects of the subject are taught in maternity hospitals in the city of Baghdad. Bala (which began teaching in 2004)

The department also teaches an elective subject (2004-2005) which is intended for fourth-year students. The department has a special laboratory for nursing and newborn care equipped with the latest scientific models of educational dolls that simulate the process of childbirth. Postgraduate studies began in the department
with a higher diploma, which was taught on a full calendar year basis in 1978 and continued until 1981.
After that, master's studies began in 1986 and continue to graduate qualified students in the specialization. As for the doctorate, it began in 1995 and continues to graduate courses from the faculty and the Ministry of Health with a doctorate in nursing and obstetrics, noting that the department is limited only to female students admitted to graduate studies.