



BA (Hons) in Montessori Early Childhood Practice

Who is this course for?

This course is for those wanting to start a career in Montessori education who wish to gain a degree level qualification.

Why study this course?

This course was developed to provide a degree level qualification for the Montessori community with scope to develop as graduate leaders and Early Years Teachers.

More about the course:

This course is delivered at MCI and is validated by London Metropolitan University. Taught in small groups by Montessori specialists you will learn how to put Montessori knowledge and skills into practice working with young children.

Skills and experiences gained:

Employability and work-based learning is a key aspect of the course. You will learn how to use the Montessori teaching materials and will study child development, observation and contemporary early childhood practice. You will learn how theory and practice work together while on professional placement. At Level 5 you will be able to extend your understanding of Montessori philosophy and practice through critical analysis and further work based learning. At Level 6 you will study research methods and carry out a research project of your choice. You will study a specialist module on working with the Under 3's and will learn leadership skills on a module developed in consultancy with Cass Centre for Charity Effectiveness.

- Study at our London College
- Includes *Professional Placement* in a Montessori setting
- Meets the current Early Years Educator Criteria
- Student finance available for eligible students
- Fully supported by our innovative Virtual Learning Environment

Course start dates:

9 September 2019

Attend MCI 3 days per week,
2 days in an approved
Montessori setting

What will you study? – Course Content:

Level 4 (Year 1) modules: Montessori Early Childhood Curriculum 1 & 2 (which includes Montessori Philosophy and the Montessori areas of learning); Perspectives on Children’s Development & Well-being; Professional Studies & Practitioner Placement 1

Level 5 (Year 2 modules): Approaches to Pedagogy & Curriculum in Early Childhood, Supporting Diversity in Early Childhood, Creative Thinking & Representation, Personal Social & Emotional Development, Professional Studies & Practitioner Placement 2.

Level 6 (Year 3 modules): Debating Montessori Provision for Birth to Threes; Leading Montessori Practice; Reading Research and Research Methods in Early Childhood; Montessori Early Childhood Practice Project.

After your studies...

MCI graduates have the knowledge and skills needed by the Montessori community; employability and work-based learning are key aspects of the training. MCI is part of the **Montessori St Nicholas Charity**, which incorporates the **Montessori Schools Association** and the **Montessori Evaluation and Accreditation Board** and has strong links with future employers.

You will gain a full and relevant qualification that meets the current Early Years Educator requirements. Some students go on to PGCE or Early Years Teacher status or to Masters degrees.

Student Finance

Eligible students can apply for a range of student support services from Student Finance England. MCI is registered with the Office for Students.

If you want to apply for a government tuition fee loan, you must be studying on an eligible course at a place of higher education that has registered with the Office for Students (OfS). MCI is listed on the register by its legal name St Nicholas Montessori Training Ltd. Visit www.officeforstudents.org.uk for more information.

What our students say:

“Doing the Montessori Degree was the best thing I could have done. It has supported me through my PGCE. I couldn’t have asked for a better course and tutors. It truly was an amazing experience.” – Lucilla

Entrance Requirements:

You must be aged 18 or over

You should normally have 112 UCAS points at A level or a relevant Level 3 qualification (e.g. CACHE level 3)

You should normally have English and Maths GCSE Grade C or above or agreed equivalency [this includes Functional Skills Level 2].

Applicants who hold a ‘full and relevant’ Level 3 Childcare qualification as per the NCTL requirements do not need to hold a Maths qualification.

If English is not your first language you must hold IELTS (Academic) 6 across all 4 areas.

An enhanced DBS check will be required.

How to apply:

go online to find out more: www.montessoritraining.org.uk

attend one of our open events – see our website for details

if you have any questions you can email:

admissions@montessori.org.uk

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