



Certificate of Higher Education (Cert HE) in Montessori Early Childhood Practice

Who is this course for?

This course is for those wanting to start or develop a career in Montessori education. If you are looking for a flexible qualification that includes a professional placement, this course could be for you.

Why study this course?

This vocationally based course is validated by London Metropolitan University and awarded 120 University credits at Level 4. There are options to study further towards a Foundation Degree or BA (Hons) in Montessori Early Childhood Practice. Flexible study modes mean you can complete the qualification within a year or combine work and study by spreading the course over two years part-time.

Blended learning approach:

Our unique blended learning approach means you combine online study with attendance at our MCI London College. You choose the balance between online and attending.

Skills and experiences gained:

Employability and work-based learning is a key aspect of the course to meet the demand for well-qualified early childhood educators. You will learn how to put your Montessori knowledge and skills into practice working with young children on professional placement in an approved Montessori setting in the UK.

You will also learn how to use the special Montessori teaching materials and will study child development, observation and contemporary early childhood practice

- Study one year full-time or two years part-time
- Innovative blended learning approach – choose to study online or at MCI London College
- Includes *Professional Placement* in a Montessori setting in the UK
- Meets the current Early Years Educator Criteria
- Student finance available for eligible students
- Option to progress to BA (Hons) Montessori Early Childhood Practice

Next course starts:

September 2020

**Induction week in early
September**

What will you study? – Course Content:

- Montessori Early Childhood Curriculum 1
- Montessori Early Childhood Curriculum 2
- Perspectives on Children’s Development & Well-being
- Professional Studies & Practitioner Placement

Modules can be studied online or through college based attendance. All students attend a full induction week **in early September**. If your main mode of student is **online** you also attend two, one week apparatus workshops: **Workshop 1 in Feb 2021** and **Workshop 2 in May 2021**.

After your studies...

MCI graduates have the knowledge and skills needed by the Montessori community in the UK and internationally. You will have the flexibility to work in a Montessori or non-Montessori early years setting.

You will gain a full and relevant qualification that meets the current Early Years Educator requirements. There is an option to progress to the Foundation Degree or BA (Hons) in Montessori Early Childhood Practice at MCI.

Student Finance

UK students, who normally live in England, who have been accepted onto the Cert HE may be eligible to apply for a range of student finance support through Student Finance England.

For students to be eligible for funding from Student Finance England, they must be studying on an eligible course at a provider registered with the Office for Students (OfS). Montessori Centre International is listed on the [Register of Higher Education Providers](#).

What our students say:

“This has been a fun and exciting experience - I cannot believe how much I have learnt this year. My understanding of how children learn is at a stage where I feel I am ready to go into teaching!” – Ayse

“Learning theory whilst working alongside nursery teachers has really supported a full understanding of what it takes to be a Montessori practitioner - I have really enjoyed the course and the one year of study for me was great as I was keen to have a career change.” – Anna

Entrance Requirements:

You should:

be aged 18 or over

have one A Level at Grade C or above plus one additional A Level or equivalent

have Maths & English GCSE at Grade C or above or Functional Skills Level 2 or equivalent

if not a UK/EU citizen you will need a full & relevant visa for the duration of your studies

you will need to be based in the UK to undertake the professional placement requirements of the course

An-enhanced DBS check will be required

How to apply:

go online to find out more about MCI and its courses: www.montessoritraining.org.uk

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

try the guest course to get a feel of our virtual learning environment

download and complete an application form

all applicants will be offered an interview at MCI

contact: admissions@montessori.org.uk

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