Dear Prospective Student from Abroad,

Thank you for your interest in the 2019-2020 Montessori Early Childhood Teacher Credentialing Program offered by the Montessori Institute of Advanced Studies.

The Credentialing Program includes lectures in Montessori philosophy, principles and practice with Montessori didactic materials.

Sincerely,

Meher Van Groenou

Director

**Montessori Institute of Advanced Studies**

**Presents**

**Early Childhood Credentialing Program**

**To be completed in one year.**

**Join us for a Four Week Summer Intensive**

**With Practicum completed during the school year.**

Our mission is to offer a program where each individual pursues growth within the limits of social responsibility, as stated by Dr. Maria Montessori Philosophy of Education.

Our Teacher Training Program offers an opportunity to verify what gifts reside inside of you for helping children in their self -learning through the intuitive quality of attention. In its presence you will experience openness to the child’s heart and receive its trust in return.

Our goal is to prepare teachers with the deepest grounding in Montessori philosophy. To develop teachers who have a broader approach in the contemporary context of child development and to create teachers as scientific pedagogues who see the prepared environment as a dynamic system that follows the child.

Our graduates enjoy our small class size and individual attention as well as being able to finish the program in one year. They also appreciate our low tuition and the ability to receive academic credit through CSU-East Bay.

Classes, Practicum, Workshops and Seminars fully prepare you to be the best.

Please Join Us

Contact us at: [montessori.ins@gmail.com](mailto:montessori.ins@gmail.com)

(510) 581-3729

**Application for Admission for the Early Childhood Program (2 1/2 - 6)**

Date of application: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Email address:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*(Last name) (First name) (Middle/maiden name)*

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Place of birth: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Home address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Street City State Zip

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Street City State Zip

Home phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Work phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Person to notify in an emergency: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Address Home phone Work phone

Education: List high school, colleges, professional schools, and workshops attended, and have a copy of official transcripts sent to the Montessori Institute of Advanced Studies:

Institute City State Degree/Certificate Year

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State Teaching Certificate: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Teaching Experience: School Position City State Years

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Other Employment: Employer Position City State Years

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How did you hear about the teaching program at the Montessori Institute of Advanced Studies? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated practicum site: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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

Is this school an affiliate of the American Montessori Society? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name of the supervising teacher in your class: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If you do not have a practicum site in mind, in what geographical locations could you work? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Has your physical or emotional health ever interfered with the normal progress of your studies or employment? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been convicted or pleaded nolo contendere for any violation of law other than minor traffic offenses? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If yes, what charge Dispensation Date Place

Is there anything you would like us to know about your learning style that would better enable us to assist you during the course? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Do you speak more than one language, which one(s)? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The information supplied by me on this application form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Signature Date

Checklist of items needed for application:

\_\_\_ Official copies of college transcripts from the college mailed to the Montessori Institute of Advanced Studies. Foreign students need to have their transcripts evaluated by an agency affiliated with the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (naces.org)

\_\_\_ 3 letters of recommendation from employers or teachers (to be sent directly to the Montessori Institute of Advanced Studies).

\_\_\_ Applicant’s personal statement discussing interest in Montessori training and career expectations.

\_\_\_ A current photograph.

\_\_\_ Tuition is due in full when accepted in the program.

\_\_\_ Emergency Form

***Questionnaire***

**Please answer the following questions, as fully as possible. Attach additional pages if necessary. Answers are accepted hand written or typed.**

1. Why do you want to take this Montessori Teacher Training Course?

2. How and when did you hear about the Montessori Method of Education?

3. What special qualifications (attributes, etc) would you bring to the field?

4. How do you intend to use your training?

5. Where and when did you observe a Montessori Classroom? What was your impression?

6. Have you seen another type of pre-school when class was in session? What was your impression?

7. Have you read any of Dr. Montessori’s books? Explain.

8. Have you had previous experience working with children? Explain.

9. Do you have reliable transportation?

The Montessori Early Childhood Teacher Credentialing Program directs a one or two year course, offering an opportunity to verify and develop the gifts that reside inside each of us for helping children in their self-learning. We prepare Montessori teachers with a deep grounding in the Montessori Philosophy. We develop individuals who have a broad approach in the contemporary context of child development and educational thought. We create teachers as “scientific pedagogues” who see the classroom as a dynamic system that “follows the child” in the pursuit of intellectual and moral and social needs.

The curriculum includes lectures on the philosophy, psychology, principles and practices of Dr. Montessori. There are supervised demonstrations and practical sessions with the Montessori apparatus, observations and practice teaching as part of the training. Lectures include early childhood development, and the relationship between Montessori education and current childhood educational and social theory.

Teaching credentials are given upon completion of all requirements.

**Required Reading:**

*The Montessori Method*, Dr. Maria Montessori

*The Secret of Childhood,* Dr. Maria Montessori

*Discovery of the Child,* Dr. Maria Montessori

*The Absorbent Mind,* Dr. Maria Montessori

*The Advanced Montessori Method,* Dr. Maria Montessori

*Montessori: A Modern Approach,* Dr. Paula Polk Lillard

**Student Emergency Form**

**Personal Information**

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| Full Name: |  |  |  |
|  | *Last* | *First* | *M.I.* |

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| Address: |  |  |
|  | *Street Address* | *Apartment/Unit #* |

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|  | *City* | *State* | *ZIP Code* |

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| Home Phone: |  | Alternate Phone: |  |

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| Email |  |

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| Birth Date: |  | Marital Status: |  |

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| Spouse’s Name: |  |

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| Spouse’s Employer: |  | Spouse’s Phone: |  |

**Medical Information**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Doctor’s Name: |  | Doctor’s Phone: | |  |
| Blood Type: |  | | Allergies: |  |
| Medical Condition: |  | | Current Medications: |  |
| Additional Information: |  | |  |  |
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**Emergency Contact Information**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Full Name: |  |  | |  |
|  | *Last* | *First* | | *M.I.* |
| Address: |  | | |  |
|  | *Street Address* | | | *Apartment/Unit #* |
|  |  | |  |  |
|  | *City* | | *State* | *ZIP Code* |

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| Primary Phone: |  | Alternate #: |  |
| Relationship: |  | | |

**Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Student Checklist**

\_\_\_\_\_ Application for Admission

\_\_\_\_\_ College or High School Transcripts and any State Certification. **Foreign students need to have their transcripts evaluated by** **an organization affiliated with National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (naces.org)**

\_\_\_\_\_ One personal and two professional references, to be forwarded directly to the Training Center by authors.

\_\_\_\_\_ A written paragraph about your introduction to Montessori, and why you want to take the training, what you plan to do with your training, and how you heard about the Montessori Institute of Advanced Studies.

\_\_\_\_\_ Enrollment Agreement, located in student handbook (on-site)

\_\_\_\_\_ Tuition payment

\_\_\_\_\_ A current Tuberculosis Report (submitted when you start practicum)

\_\_\_\_\_ Live scan proof of fingerprinting (submitted when you start practicum)

\_\_\_\_\_ First aid and CPR training submitted when you start practicum)

**Foreign students:**

\_\_\_\_\_ I-20

\_\_\_\_\_ Financial documents (bank statement, affidavit of support, bank certificate)

\_\_\_\_\_ Cost of living supporting documents (renter’s agreement)

\_\_\_\_\_ Copy of passport

\_\_\_\_\_ Agreement with the Institute

**Montessori Institute of Advanced Studies**

**Foreign Student Fees**

**MIAS fees** are listed as following:

* Nonrefundable application fee： $ 100;
* Nonrefundable tuition submitted with application： $ 500;
* Course Cycle Tuition (in addition to deposit): $5700;

**Other fees and costs:**

**Item description Amount per student (in $USD)**

* AMS and MACTE fee $ 400
* INS I-20 Student Visa Fee (for foreign students only) $ 786

6) Government Visa processing fee $ 900

7) Mailing cost, approximately $ 200

8) Course Manuals $ 365

9) Books and Materials $ 350

10) Administrative Cost for foreign students: $1500

* **Payment Schedule**
* ***First Payment***: $600 (non-refundable) when the student applies for enrollment.
* ***Second Payment:*** $ 2286 non-refundable I-20, Government processing fee, the mailing cost before MIAS will send the visa, and AMS-MACTE fee.
* ***Third Payment:*** $5700 tuition fee after receiving I-20, which indicates MIAS has enrolled the student. If the student cannot successfully go to the United States because of failing to obtain the student visa or withdraws before coming to the States due to unexpected circumstances, MIAS shall refund $ $4500 tuition fee after the receipt of withdrawal letter for that student.
* The non-refundable amount will not be refunded. MIAS will provide invoice for all payments.
* ***Fourth Payment:*** The remaining fees $ 2215 includes cost of course Manuals, Books and materials $715; and Administrative cost $1500) will be paid before or on arrival.
* Housing, transportation, food, and living expenses while in the US are the responsibility of the student.
* The cost of course manuals and books are included in the tuition listed above.

**I understand the fee structure and agree to pay each payment according to the schedule:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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