



Montessori Institute of Advanced Studies

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2027-2028

Montessori Early Childhood Credential Course

Class Schedule of 2027-2028

Beginning Date: January 26, 2027

Ending Date: June 16, 2028

The Early Childhood Teacher Credential Course prepares the adult learner for working with children two and one-half to six years old. **The length of the Summer Intensive Early Childhood Course is twelve months.**

346 Academic hours and 540 Practicum hours

The Certificate of Completion is issued for satisfactory completion of the academic phase and the practicum phase, and the American Montessori Society Early Childhood Teacher Credential.

The Montessori Early Childhood Teacher Credential Course is comprised of 346 instructional clock hours and 540 practicum hours. When students successfully complete the requirements, they are awarded the certification of Early Childhood Teacher Credentials from American Montessori Society.

The Academic Instruction includes Classes, Seminars, Workshops and On-line learning over the one-year period.

- Montessori Philosophy/Theory
- Child Development/Psychology
- Observation
- Practical Life
- Sensorial
- Mathematics
- Language Arts
- Art, Music, Movement
- Physical and Life Science
- Social Studies
- Classroom Leadership
- Supervised Philosophy & Curriculum Study (required for F-1 visa students)
- Practicum 1 and 2 is Practicum Teaching under supervision.

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Academic Course Schedule

January 26th, 2027 - June 16, 2028

Spring Semester: 2027

Montessori Philosophy
32 Academic Hours
3 units

Tues 6:00-7:30 Zoom
Jan 26, Feb 2, 9, 16,
23, Mar 2, 2027

Instructor: Dil Kapadia and
Meher Van Groenou

Everyday Living Skills &
Philosophy
32 Academic contact hours
3 Units

Sat-Sun 8:30-5:30
Feb 13, 14, 20, 21, 2027

Instructor: Julianne Golden

Summer Semester: **2027**

Sensory Motor Learning
32 Academic contact hours
3 Units

Sat-Wed 8:30-5:30
June 12, 13, 14, 15, 2027

Instructor: Kelly Easter

Montessori Mathematics
and Philosophy
32 Academic contact hours.
3 Units

Wed-Sat 8:30-5:30
June 16, 17, 18, 19, 2027

Instructor: Kelly Easter

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**Montessori Language Arts,
Reading & Philosophy
32 Academic contact hours
3 Units**

**Sat-Tues 8:30-5:30
June 26, 27, 28, 29 2027**

**Instructor: Mandi Han/
Ana Suan**

Orientation to Practicum Phase

**Tue 11:00-12:00
Jun 29, 2027**

**Instructor: Meher Van
Groenou**

**Child Development &
Psychology
40 Academic contact hours
4 units**

**8:30-5:30
In conjunction with
local college**

Instructor: Transferred

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Fall Semester:2027

**Supervised Philosophy &
Curriculum Study (for I-20
Visa holders)
15 Hours per week
24 Academic contact hours
2units**

**Mon-Fri 3 hours per day
July to September 2027**

**Instructor: Classroom Mentor
Teacher**

**Supervised Philosophy &
Curriculum Study (for I-20
Visa-holders, unless the student
starts Practicum.)
15 Hours per week
150 Academic contact hours
9 Units**

**Mon-Fri 3 hours per day
September 2027-July 2028**

**Instructor: Classroom Mentor
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Practicum/Student Teaching

2026-2027

The practicum/student teaching is a necessary requirement for the successful completion of the Early Childhood Teacher Credential Course.

The function of the Practicum Phase is to provide for the student a supervised teaching/learning experience and a period of observation, internalization, and further study, to bring together the theory and practice of Montessori education.

Practicum Phase Schedule **540 hours of Practicum**

Fall Semester: 2027

Supervised Field Experience I
270 Contact hours
6 Units

Mon-Fri, 3.5 hours/ day
Sept 2027-Dec. 2027

Instructor: Classroom Mentor
Teacher

Observation & Classroom
Leadership:
45 Academic contact hours
4 Units
(Total)

Sat 8:30am-4:00pm
Sept 4 2027(IR)
Sept 11 2027 (DE)
Sept 18 2027 (DE)
Sept 25 2027 (IR)

Instructor: Dil Kapadia

Seminar 1: Child as a Learner:
Child Development & Montessori
philosophy; Introduction to year-long
project
32 Academic contact hours
3 Units (Total)

Sat, 8:30-4:00
Oct 16, 2027

Instructor: Meher Van
Groenou

Workshop 1: Music and
Movement
8 contact hours
1unit

Sat, 8:30-5:30
Nov 13, 2027
Or TBD

Instructor: Irene Baker

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Spring Semester: 2028

Supervised Field Experience II
270 Contact hours
6 Units

Mon-Fri, 3.5 hours /day
January -July, 2028

Instructor: Classroom Mentor
Teacher

Workshop 2/3:Physical & Life
Sciences & Social Studies
25 Academic contact hours
2.5 Units

Sat, Sun Mon 8:30-5:30
Jan 15, 16, 17, 2028

Instructor: Katie McDonnell-
Manson & TBD

Seminar 2: Classroom
Management, Montessori
Philosophy & Year-long project

Sat, 8:30-4:00
Feb 5, 2028

Instructor: Meher Van
Groenou

Workshop 4: Arts and Outdoors
8 contact hours
1 unit

Sat 8:30-5:00
Feb 19 2028
Or TBD

Instructor: Julianne Golden

Workshop 5: Parent-Teacher
Partnership, Child, Family &
Community
2.5 Units

Sat, 8:30-4:00
March 4, 2028

Instructor: Martha Sanchez

Workshop 6: Administration,
Presentation of Year-long
project;
6 Academic contact hours
2 units

Sat, 8:30-4:00
May 6, 2028

Instructor: Meher Van
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Seminar 3: Leadership
Assignments, academic year-long
journal & seminar binders due
32 Academic contact hours
3 Units (Total)

Sat, 8:30-4:00
May 27, 2028

Instructor: Meher Van
Groenou

**Year-long Project Presentation &
Graduation**

Fri, 2:00-6:00
June 16, 2028
2:00-4:00 set-up
4:00-6:00 graduation

Present: Graduating students,
All Instructors, guests and
Current cohort

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