



Certifying Teachers and Educating Parents

Montessori Early Childhood Teacher Certification Program

Online Courses Begin in January, April and September

In Person Residency: 15 Days

The Age of Montessori's Early Childhood Teacher Certification Program prepares you to confidently intern at a Montessori school and start your career as a Montessori teacher - well-grounded in both the theoretical and hands-on aspects of the Montessori Method.

AOM's MACTE-accredited Montessori Early Childhood Teacher Training course has four components:

Part 1. Online Study – 8 months

Part 2. In-person Residency – 15 days

Part 3. Internship – 9 months

Part 4. Final Practical Exam and Certification

Part 1. Online Study: Eight months of online study takes you deeply into the philosophy and psychology that is the heart of the Montessori Method. This online portion covers the following areas:

- Getting to Know Your Prepared Online Environment
- Introduction to Montessori Early Childhood Teacher Education
- Preparation of the Teacher, Part 1: Personal Reflection
- Maria Montessori – a Short Biography
- Human Tendencies, Sensitive Periods & the Brain
- History of Methods – Montessori and Major Early Childhood Theorists
- Stages of Development
- Prepared Environment
- Liberty and Discipline
- Movement, Mental Assimilation and the Work of the Child
- Normalization through Work
- Preparation of the Montessori Director/Directress, Part 2: Spiritual Preparation
- Peace Education



Your education covers the four great avenues of learning for the early childhood years: Practical Life, Sensorial Development, Development of Language, and Early Preparation of the Mathematical Mind. The online forum connects you with both teachers and fellow students. Archival videos of Montessori's student, Elisabeth Caspari, enrich your understanding of the lessons as Dr. Caspari learned them from Dr. Montessori.

“I’m a former university teacher and I did teach some Moodle courses and this is a Moodle course that knows what it is doing. It is involving everyone, there is interaction and it is creating a community without saying ‘Let’s create community.’ It does it in a very informal manner.

“That’s really what I loved about Age of Montessori to begin with; I just could sense that it was real, there wasn’t any kind of ‘airs’ about it. It was simply ‘we love children. We’re here because we love children and we want to convey this message to the world of peace, community and harmony’ and in such a way as to not be obnoxious about it. You know, I’m from Dallas and where I’m from there aren’t a lot of hippies. I went to a school that I would identify with that kind of free love and free spirit kind of feel, but I’m still grounded and I’m still practical and Montessori is a mix of these two beautiful worlds.” - 2015 student, United Arab Emirates

“Well I think the online environment was such a huge dialogue, if you will. There were so many people from all over the world that were able to be a part of this dialogue. So it really created a wide perspective and we learned from each other. We all came from different backgrounds and with different experiences, but we had a common goal. Through sharing our different perspectives I think we were really able to attain that goal.” - S.D., Montana

“I have a Master’s degree in Education, so I’ve taken many graduate level courses. This is easily one of the best courses I’ve ever taken. The material is presented in a clear, sequential way. There are specific objectives and time lines. Also, students are given an opportunity to learn by reading books, reading selected texts on the website and watching videos. It has been a wonderful addition to my knowledge of education.” - P.M., Montana

Part 2. In-person Residency: The 15 days of the hands-on Residency training provides you with proficiency for working with the lesson materials through hours of supervised practice with our faculty. This training is offered at several locations:

Southeastern Region: June 11 – 28, 2017

Bozeman, Montana: July 9 – 26, 2017 ~ popular vacation destination

Castro Valley, CA: August 3 – 19, 2017 ~ near San Francisco

Additional locations: July 9 – 26, 2017 ~ call our office for details



“I think what the online does is it facilitates a beginning portion where you are taking in all of the theory and all of the reading and background information. You’re taking it in intellectually without getting your hands on all the materials. At first I was a little skeptical of that, thinking

‘hmm, I don’t know...’ But now I have talked to a few people who have done other trainings where they are doing it all at once. I really appreciate the fact that I have all that basis and all that foundation.

“When I’m actually going in and working with the materials, working with the lessons and practicing lessons, I have all that background. So when someone is telling me directly about, for example, one of the math lessons, it’s not all brand new information. I have a really solid basis and foundation of knowing why those things are happening, why they’re using the materials the way they’re doing it. It just all clicked together instead of trying to learn it all at one time. You have the theory and the background and then the [hands-on] practicum.” - 2015 student

Part 3. Internship: Spend a full school year (9 months) as an intern assisting a certified teacher in a fully-equipped, approved Montessori classroom in your local area.

This is on-the-job training as an assistant in a Montessori school, under the direction of an AoM field representative. During your internship, you observe and learn how to conduct a class, give the lessons and interact effectively with young children, as well as make materials. You gain valuable experience giving small group lessons while assisting the teacher in all aspects of daily classroom life.



Part 4. Final Practical Exam and Certification: After successfully completing these three Montessori Teacher Training steps, you take your practical exam. This exam tests your thorough knowledge and use of the materials. Depending on student location, this exam may be held via Skype in your local area, or in-person at a Residency campus in Montana.

Once you pass the practical exam, you are eligible for your MACTE-accredited Montessori teacher certificate from Age of Montessori.

“I chose this course because of the flexibility it gave me. I have a two-year-old son and I needed a schedule I could work with raising him and being around him.” - 2013 student

“I saw that you could do a course online, have that online academic component and then do the residency by coming to Montana...that was absolutely perfect for where I was. The online component of this course was out of this world, amazing. The Residency covered so many materials and all the avenues.” - 2013 student

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Is This Montessori Training Program Right for You?

Ask yourself these five questions:

1. Are you feeling unfulfilled in your current job? **Are you looking for something that will feed your heart, mind and soul** and make a real difference in the world?
2. Are you a student who **needs the flexibility and convenience of on-line learning**, and want the most complete online Montessori training available?
3. Are you an early childhood educator who **would like to earn 22% to 40%** more as a certified Montessori teacher?
4. Are you seeking a quality, **authentic Montessori Certification program** created by master Montessori teachers?
5. Do you want to **earn full Certification**, or even your Masters of Education (M.Ed.) from a fully-accredited program?

If you answered “yes” to any of these questions, *Age of Montessori’s Teacher Training Program* is right for you. Here is why:

1. Highly interactive environment. **You will gain the skills you need** to become an employable professional teacher.
2. We give you the best of both worlds: **complete study of Montessori plus hands-on experience**. You have time to assimilate the depth and breadth of the complete Montessori message and method.
3. You will receive authentic Montessori – **Dr. Montessori trained Dr. Elizabeth Caspari who in turn trained Mary Ellen Maunz, M.Ed., our Master Teacher**.
4. We are **accredited by MACTE** (Montessori Accreditation Council for Teacher Education).
5. We are here for you. **We will do all in our power to support you** throughout your program.

Fulfill Your Dream!

Call for your personal consultation!

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