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# Learn, Teach, Inspire!

## Train to be a Montessori Teacher



## Part-time Teacher Training Course

MCI (Hampshire)

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Thank you for your enquiry regarding Montessori Teacher Training. The information in this pack is designed to give you a broad introduction to the Montessori Method, which is leading the way in child education and child care around the world today.

At this local MCI centre we offer a state of the art part-time course for the Early Years Educator Qualification in Montessori Pedagogy at Levels 3 and 4 for teaching children aged birth - 7 years, jointly certified by Crossfields Institute and CACHE.

Our students include people of all ages and from a range of disciplines. So whether you are a parent, someone interested in initial teacher training, or a teacher wishing to expand your qualifications, you will find the course suitable for you.

If you are interested in participating in one of the courses, please contact us as soon as possible to make an appointment to visit the Centre. All students wishing to study part-time are invited to attend an interview as we feel it is important for you to understand all elements of the course that you will be undertaking. We have to limit numbers and as we have a high demand places are offered on a first come, first served basis. The next course starting at this Centre will be September 2015.

If you have any further questions after reading the prospectus, please do not hesitate to contact me on 01962 856201.

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## The Montessori Method

Maria Montessori (1870 to 1952) was the first woman doctor to graduate from the University Hospital, Rome. The Montessori Method is a method of education that combines a philosophy with a practical approach, based on ideas of freedom for the child, within a structured and carefully-planned environment.

Dr Montessori suggested that all children are intrinsically motivated, and have an absorbent mind from birth to six years. This absorbent mind gives the child an amazing capacity for absorbing information, concepts and their environment.



Montessori's ideas developed as a result of observing and recording children's behaviour and responses to apparatus and activities. It is a scientifically-based method that is structured and directed by the teacher in the classroom.

### The Universal Characteristics of Childhood

- All children want to learn, to investigate and find out. They enjoy active learning where they are involved as much as possible.
- From birth to six years children have Absorbent Minds.
- The qualities of early experiences influence self-construction and personality development.
- Children pass through Sensitive Periods, which are periods of intense sensibility to a certain area of development or concept forming, for example, walking, writing and reading.

With these characteristics in mind, children are encouraged to cultivate their own personality and individuality, as well as allowing natural development.



The Montessori specialist approach and apparatus assist in the delivery of the highest quality education for the young child. Foundations are laid for future development and concentrate on every aspect of development, thus educating the whole child. Children learn to balance responsibility with freedom of choice. The emphasis is on self-discipline, self-esteem and co-operation. Children foster a love for learning and develop at their own individual pace.

## The Montessori Method

The Montessori Method provides education for life and each child is considered as an individual. The key components of the Montessori Method are the special qualities of the environment and the teacher.

**The Montessori Curriculum is made up of core areas, which fit well with the Early Years Foundation Stage:**

- Activities for Everyday Living - Personal, Social and Emotional Development
- Sensorial
- Mathematics
- Communication and Language, Literacy
- Cultural Subjects – Understanding the World
- Creative Development – Expressive Arts and Design
- Physical Development



# Part-Time Courses

## EARLY YEARS EDUCATOR QUALIFICATIONS IN MONTESSORI PEDAGOGY

Our Montessori Early Years Educator courses are designed to develop a high level of professional competence in students who wish to become teachers of the Montessori Method for children from birth to 7 years. The overview of important educational philosophies provided by the course enables students to construct a coherent set of educational values alongside detailed study of the Montessori philosophy and approach. Students are also given precise instruction in the use of teaching aids designed and applied by Maria Montessori.

The syllabus includes Montessori Philosophy, Child Development and Psychology, Observation and Assessment, Contemporary Issues, Safety and First Aid, Child Health, Care and Nutrition, Exercises of Practical Life, Education of the Senses, Literacy Skills, Mathematics, Cultural Subjects (history, geography, biology and science), Art and Craft, Music and Movement, Drama and Special Needs.

### ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR LEVELS 3 AND 4

- You must be aged 18 or over
- Have a minimum of 3 GCSE's, which **MUST** include maths and English GCSE at grade C or above (or NARIC statement of comparability)
- If English is not your first language, you must IELTS (academic) at 6.5
- UK/EU citizen (or full and relevant visa for duration of the course)
- A Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS Check) will be required as it is for anyone working with children.

### ADDITIONAL ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR LEVEL 4

- In addition to the above, you **MUST** also have one A Level at grade C or above, plus one further A Level (or NARIC statement of comparability.)

### HOW TO APPLY

- After consideration of the prospectus, complete the application form and return to [mcihants@hartley-house.co.uk](mailto:mcihants@hartley-house.co.uk)
- An appointment will be made for an interview at the centre (please bring relevant documents with you- originals of certificates please and passport etc so we can photocopy.)

## ATTENDANCE AND COURSE DATES

### Courses start in September and March

- **Level 4:** 20 weeks over 1 academic year plus professional placement
- **Level 3:** 18 weeks over 1 academic year plus professional placement

N.B At both levels an additional 10 hours study PER week plus further independent study is required.

### TUITION FEES

Course Level	Application Fee	Total Fees (when paid in full by 1 <sup>st</sup> March or 1 <sup>st</sup> September):	Total Fees (when paid in instalments):	First instalment (1 <sup>st</sup> September or 1 <sup>st</sup> March):	Second instalment (1 <sup>st</sup> January or 1 <sup>st</sup> September):	Third instalment (1 <sup>st</sup> March or 1 <sup>st</sup> January):
Level 3	£100	£3,750	£4000	£1,750	£1,250	£1,000
Level 4	£100	£4,000	£4,250	£2,000	£1,250	£1,000

Please note:

Montessori St Nicholas Charity grant may be available to help with the financing of your chosen course.

Fees are subject to annual review and will be confirmed to you upon registration.

### USEFUL BOOK LIST

The Absorbent Mind – Montessori  
The Discovery of the Child – Montessori  
First Aid Handbook – Dorling Kindersley  
Child Care and Education – Bruce & Meggitt  
The Secret of Childhood – Montessori  
Montessori: A Modern Approach – Paula Polk Lillard  
Maria Montessori: Her Life and Work – E M Standing  
The Essential Montessori – Elizabeth Hainstock



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### TERMS & CONDITIONS

This registration becomes a binding contract when a signed copy is received by Montessori Centre International (Hampshire) to whom all fees are payable. The contracted fees are the full tuition fees for the selected course. Neither application fees are not refundable.

The student accepts liability for the full contracted fees upon agreement to these Terms & Conditions. Failure on behalf of the student to adhere to the study programme in no way affects the student's liability to pay the contracted fees – particularly as the expenses of MCI (Hampshire) are in no way lessened by one student's withdrawal and naturally have to be calculated beforehand on the assumption that the full number of students will continue throughout the course. MCI (Hampshire) allows tuition fees to be paid in instalments by prior agreement. Full payment or first instalments must be received no later than the first day of each term. The full remaining balance of the course fees will become payable should instalments fall into arrears.

Students who cancel or defer more than five weeks prior to the start of the course will be liable to pay a £100 cancellation/deferral fee. The full contracted fees are payable for cancellations made less than five weeks prior to the start of the course.

Course fees are inclusive of VAT where applicable.

MCI (Hampshire) hold copyright over all information contained in lectures and course material. It is understood that under no circumstances will a student allow any other party to have access to them. Students may, however, retain the material for personal reference only for as long as they wish.

All cheques to be made payable to Hartley House Montessori Ltd.

***My signature overleaf confirms my agreement to the Terms & Conditions stated above and I accept responsibility for any balance of fees in accordance with these Terms & Conditions.***