#### **ADMISSION**

Applicants seeking admission to the M.Ed. program in Montessori Education must have completed a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university with an overall GPA of 3.00 or above for unconditional acceptance. Individuals with GPAs between 2.75 and 3.00 may be considered for probational admission status. Applicants seeking admission to the CAS program must have completed a M.Ed. degree from an accredited college or university.

Students applying for admission to Loyola's Graduate Programs in Montessori Education in collaboration with an affiliate AMI institute must make separate application to both the AMI institute and to Loyola University Maryland.

### LOYOLA PRIORITY APPLICATION DEADLINES May 15

for students beginning a summer AMI training program

### **August 15**

for students beginning an academic year AMI training program

(Applicants are encouraged to submit applications well before these deadlines, particularly international students and those applying for federal student loans.)

### **TUITION AND FEES**

Students register and pay tuition to Loyola for all courses, both those taken at the affiliate AMI institute and those taken in residence in Maryland. Loyola's Montessori graduate students pay a reduced per credit tuition in recognition of the fact that they also pay a separate tuition directly to the AMI institute.

Graduate students at Loyola are eligible to apply for financial aid through federal loan programs.

For more information and application materials visit www.loyola.edu/montessori\_affiliate

or contact:

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Graduate Programs in Education

## M.ED. IN MONTESSORI EDUCATION

for AMI Affiliate Institutes









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Montessori education focuses on all aspects of human development—intellectual, social, emotional, physical, and spiritual—and is an ideal program for students who are passionate about making a difference in the lives of children and families.

In today's educational climate, an advanced degree enhances opportunities for professional advancement and leadership.

Loyola University Maryland has a unique program that allows qualified students to combine AMI Montessori teacher training with a Master's degree in Education.

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### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The goal of the graduate programs in Montessori Education is to guide adults as they prepare for the work and responsibility of helping each child to develop the fullness of his or her potential. The program provides students with opportunities to develop an understanding of a child's stages of development and the different conditions and strategies necessary to support development at each stage. Students also broaden their knowledge of research and trends in the field of education and are prepared to assume leadership roles in their profession. Students select one area of concentration: Infant (birth to age 3), Primary (ages 3-6), or Elementary (ages 6-12). Graduates receive both the internationally recognized Association Montessori Internationale (AMI) diploma and the Master of Education degree or the Certificate of Advanced Study in Education [open to candidates who have a M.Ed. degree].

### The Master of Education degree (M.Ed.)

consists of 36 graduate credits plus a comprehensive oral examination. The coursework is divided into two parts. The Montessori Content courses total 27 credit hours and comprise the requirements for the AMI diploma. These courses are taken at the affiliate AMI institute. The Education Core courses total 9 credit hours and are taken in residence at the main campus of Loyola University Maryland. For the convenience of students, the Education Core courses are offered during a special intensive summer session scheduled mid-June through mid-July.

### The Certificate of Advanced Study (CAS)

consists of 30 graduate credits beyond the Master of Education. Students take all the Montessori Content courses appropriate to their area of concentration for a total of 27 credits. These courses are taken at the affiliate AMI institute and comprise the requirements for the AMI diploma. One additional course, Advanced Research Project in Montessori Education (ED627), completes the requirements for the CAS.