
PROGRAM OVERVIEW

THREE SUMMERS | STARTS 2013 | GREAT SAN DIEGO LOCATION | OUTSTANDING TEAM

The MISD Montessori Elementary training program is the ideal way for practicing Montessori teachers and others to receive AMI Elementary certification.

COURSE LOCATION & CONTACT INFORMATION

Montessori Institute of San Diego
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COURSE CALENDAR

<u>Summer 1: 2013</u>	Foundation Course*	June 17-July 12, 2013
	Holiday	July 4, 2013
	Elementary Course	July 15-Aug 9, 2013
	Break	Aug 1-2, 2013
<u>Inter-Session: 2013 - 2014</u>	Observation #1**	Oct 21-25, 2013
	Observation #2**	Dec 2-6, 2014
	Observation #3**	Jan 20-24, 2014
	Seminar	Mar 4-7, 2014
<u>Summer 2: 2014</u>	Elementary Course	June 11-Aug. 8, 2014
	Holiday	July 4, 2014
<u>Inter-Session: 2014 - 2015</u>	Practice Teaching #1**	October 14-25, 2014
	Practice Teaching #2**	March 3-14, 2015
	Seminar	Mar 3-6, 2015
<u>Summer 3: 2015</u>	Elementary Course	June 17-Aug. 8, 2015
	Holiday	July 4, 2015
	Oral Examinations***	Aug. 1-7, 2015
	Graduation Ceremony	August 8, 2015

*The Montessori Institute of San Diego reserves the right to cancel a course due to insufficient enrollment. * The Foundation Course is required for those who do not hold an AMI Primary (ages 3-6) diploma. It does not certify the individual to teach in a primary classroom, and a diploma/certificate is not issued. Successful completion of the course requires full attendance at lectures and practice sessions, satisfactory completion of illustrated text based on lecture notes, and satisfactory written assignments. **Dates for observations and practice teaching are flexible. ***Dates for exams and graduation are tentative.*

TUITION AND FEES (all amounts in US Dollars)

Application Fee (non-refundable)	\$100	Tuition (applying after Nov 15 st , 2012)	\$15,900
International Student Fee	\$1,000	Tuition (applying by Nov. 15 th , 2012)	\$14,900
Foundation Course Tuition	\$2,500		

Books and classroom materials required for the course will be available for purchase. Students should anticipate approximately \$300 for books, and \$1500 for classroom materials. Tuition discounts are available for groups of 3 or more teachers who are being sponsored by a school.

- Payment Plan:** Payment plan options are available upon request or from the MISD web site.
- Financial Aid:** To apply for scholarship assistance, submit the MISD Financial Aid Application available on our website.
- Housing:** For assistance with housing, call the Montessori Institute of San Diego.

ADMISSION CRITERIA AND PROCESS

The Montessori Elementary training course is open to college graduates who present satisfactory evidence of ability to pursue graduate work and who possess the sound personal qualifications needed to complete the intensive training requirements. More specifically, this course requires that students hold an AMI Primary diploma, or that they have successfully completed the Foundation Course which is available as part of this training.

To apply, prospective students should submit an application packet consisting of a completed, signed application form, resumé, personal essay, completed employer release form (if currently employed), three professional references, copy of AMI Primary diploma (or AMI Primary diploma number) if requesting exemption from the Foundation Course, payment of AMI membership dues for the duration of the course (2013-2015), two recent, passport-sized photographs, non-refundable application fee of US\$100.00, and official transcripts (translated and evaluated if not in English) for all prior undergraduate and graduate work. Upon acceptance, students will need to submit a \$1,000 tuition deposit to confirm a spot in the course.

No person will be denied opportunity for education or be subject to discrimination in any project, program or activity because of race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, ancestry, age, handicap, or veteran status.

AMI DIPLOMA

An AMI diploma is granted upon satisfactory completion of course requirements, which include successful completion of the Foundation Course (if AMI Primary diploma is not held), full attendance at all lectures and supervised practice sessions, a minimum number of hours of observation and practice teaching in approved classrooms, reports and records associated with observations and practice teaching, satisfactory completion of albums containing illustrated notes on didactic materials and classroom presentations, essays on lectured theory, essays on theory and practice associated with lectures and readings, satisfactory preparation of selected handmade classroom materials, passing marks on AMI written examinations, and passing marks on oral examinations conducted by AMI examiners.

MASTER'S DEGREE & PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHING CREDENTIAL

Master's degree option MISD encourages Elementary students to apply their AMI training toward a Master of Education from Loyola University Maryland. For more information, contact Carrie Stroup at (410) 617-7765 or cacieslowski@loyola.edu, or visit the website:

<http://www.loyola.edu/soe/academics/graduate/montessori/elementary.aspx>

Public school teaching credential For more information on obtaining a public school teaching credential contact MISD at training@misdami.org or 858-535-0500 x101.

COURSE FACULTY

Kay M. Baker, Ph.D., Director of Training, is an AMI Elementary (ages 6-12) teacher trainer and examiner. After gaining teaching experience in both Primary and Elementary Montessori classrooms, as well as traditional public school environments, Dr. Baker has spent the past 24 years conducting Montessori Elementary courses. In addition to her AMI Primary and Elementary diplomas, Dr. Baker holds a Ph.D. in mathematics education from the University of Maryland, with her dissertation focusing on problem-solving strategies in children. Dr. Baker is a consultant for AMI/USA for Primary and Elementary, and is the recipient of NAMTA's lifetime achievement award.

Beatriz De Leon, Foundation and Elementary Course Assistant, holds a bachelor's degree in preschool and kindergarten education from Secretaria de Education Publica in Mexico, a preschool and kindergarten teacher

credential from Escuela Normal de Educadoras Tijuana, and diplomas in children's play therapy and music education, as well as AMI Primary and Elementary diplomas. She worked as a Montessori Elementary guide for seven years and has held her current position at Jardin Del Saber "Albert Einstein" A.C. as a Primary guide since 1986.

Marie-Marguerite B. Clerie, Elementary Course Lecturer, is the director of the Montessori School in Port au Prince, Haiti. She holds AMI Primary and Elementary diplomas and has worked as an Elementary teacher for 25 years. She is currently enrolled in the AMI Elementary Training of Trainers program.

Susan Bowden, Elementary Course Lecturer, is an experienced Montessori teacher and lecturer in music. She holds AMI Primary and Elementary diplomas and has taught at both levels in a variety of schools on the East Coast. Ms. Bowden has nearly three decades of Elementary teaching experience. She spent the past six years working as an Elementary training course assistant at the Washington Montessori Institute and will be returning to the classroom to teach a Lower Elementary class in fall 2012.

Silvia Dubovoy, Ph.D., Foundation Course Trainer. Dr. Dubovoy is an Assistant to Infancy and Primary level trainer, lecturer, consultant, and examiner for the Association Montessori Internationale worldwide. She has been involved in Montessori education since 1965, as a parent, board member, and coordinator of her children's school. Dr. Dubovoy holds a Ph.D. in Psychology from the University of Barcelona, as well as the AMI Primary, Special Education, and Assistants to Infancy diplomas. Dr. Dubovoy was a board member of AMI, headquartered in Amsterdam, from 1982-2010. She is one of the AMI representatives to the United Nations. Her training style is heavily influenced by her work with Dr. Carl R. Rogers in the field of humanistic psychology.

Coral Ruiz, Foundation Course Assistant, founded the first Montessori school in Puebla, Mexico in 1976. She also founded and subsequently managed Escuela Herman Rural San Bernardino and coordinated an orphanage program called Casa del Sol. Ms. Ruiz was appointed as an AMI trainer this year. She has recently established an AMI Primary training center in Puebla, Mexico.