



Cert HE in Montessori Early Childhood Practice

Who is this course for?

This course is for those wanting to start a career in Montessori education and want to gain a qualification which offers progression opportunities for the future.

Why study this course?

This vocationally based course is validated by London Metropolitan University and is awarded 120 University credits at Level 4. Flexible study modes mean you can complete the qualification within a year or combine work and study by spreading the course over two years part-time.

Blended learning approach:

Our unique blended learning approach means you can combine online study with attending our MCI London College. All students combine both modes and interact together. You choose the balance between online and attending.

Skills and experiences gained:

Employability and work-based learning is a key aspect of the course to meet the demand for well-qualified early childhood educators. You will learn how to put your emerging Montessori knowledge and skills into practice working with young children on professional placement in an approved Montessori setting in the UK.

You will also learn how to use the special Montessori teaching materials and will study child development, observation and contemporary early childhood practice

- Study one year full-time or two years part-time
- Innovative blended learning approach – choose to study online or at MCI London College
- Includes *Professional Placement* in a Montessori setting
- Meets the current Early Years Educator Criteria
- Student finance available for eligible students
- Awarded 120 University credits by London Metropolitan University
- Option to progress to Foundation Degree in Montessori Early Childhood Practice

Course start date:

September 2019

Induction week 9th – 13th September

What will you study? – Course Content:

- Montessori Early Childhood Curriculum 1
- Montessori Early Childhood Curriculum 2
- Perspectives on Children’s Development & Well-being
- Professional Studies & Practitioner Placement

Modules can be studied online or through college based attendance. All students attend a full induction week **9th – 13th September 2019**. **Online students** also attend two apparatus workshops: **Workshop 1 (10th – 15th Feb 2020)** and **Workshop 2 (26th May – 31st May 2020)**.

After your studies...

MCI graduates have the knowledge and skills needed by the Montessori community. MCI is part of the **Montessori St Nicholas Charity**, which incorporates the **Montessori Schools Association** and the **Montessori Evaluation and Accreditation Board** and has strong links with future employers.

You will gain a full and relevant qualification that meets the current Early Years Educator requirements. There is an option to progress to the Foundation Degree in Montessori Early Childhood Practice at MCI and study further towards a BA (Hons) Early Childhood at London Met.

Student Finance

For students to be eligible for SLC funding they must be studying on a designated course. Courses at this college are designated each year by the Department for Education www.hefce.ac.uk

Eligible students can apply for a range of support from Student Finance England. For further information on student grants visit the Student Finance England website

What our students say:

“This has been a fun and exciting experience - I cannot believe how much I have learnt this year. My understanding of how children learn is at a stage where I feel I am ready to go into teaching!” – Ayse

“Learning theory whilst working alongside nursery teachers has really supported a full understanding of what it takes to be a Montessori practitioner - I have really enjoyed the course and the one year of study for me was great as I was keen to have a career change.” – Anna

Entrance Requirements:

be aged 18 or over

have one A Level at Grade C or above plus one additional A Level or equivalent

have Maths & English GCSE at Grade C or above or Functional Skills Level 2 or equivalent

if not a UK/EU citizen you will need a full & relevant visa for the duration of your studies

you will need to be based in the UK to undertake the professional placement requirements of the course

you will need to complete a DBS check

How to apply:

go online to find out more about MCI and its courses:

www.montessori.org.uk

attend one of our open events – see our website for details

try the guest course to get a feel of our virtual learning environment

download and complete an application form

all applicants will be offered an interview at MCI

contact:

admissions@montessori.org.uk

or you can call MCI and talk to us about the course on

📞 **020 7493 8300**