

Required Reading List

Readings from the original work of Dr. Maria Montessori and guided discussions are important components of the Assistants' course. The following books are available from several sources, including Nienhuis Montessori/USA (www.nienhuis.com):

The Absorbent Mind

The Secret of Childhood

The Child in the Family

Education for a New World

"This is a wonderful program to unify new staff and prepare the adult beginner for a Montessori school experience. The syllabus contains concise and easy-to-follow information, delivered by thoughtful professionals and excellent role models. The profound concepts of Dr. Montessori's approach were made easily understandable."

—Carol Gitter, Office Manager, Baltimore
Montessori Public Charter School



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Assistants Course leading to the AMI Certificate

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June 18-29, 2012
in Columbia, Maryland

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AMI Assistants Course

The Washington Montessori Institute will offer the AMI Children's House Assistants Course from June 18-29, 2012. The course emphasis is on Montessori theory, not specific classroom practices, and is very appropriate for parents, untrained Montessori school heads, and others working in a Montessori school setting. The format includes lecture presentations, readings and discussions. Participants who complete additional assignments are eligible for the AMI Assistants Certificate for the Children's House.

Course Director Janet McDonell is Director of Training at WMI Loyola. She has over thirty years experience as a Montessori teacher, administrator and trainer. Janet serves as a member of the board of AMI/USA and the AMI Training Group.

Course Components

The topics of the course include observation; learning how and when to intervene (not interfere); acquiring the ability to help children become more independent; gaining understanding of Montessori ideas of freedom and discipline; learning how to gain children's trust; and, reading and directed discussion from the work of Dr. Maria Montessori.

Schedule

The Assistants Course will meet daily from 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM from June 18th to 29th. Following the completion of the course, eight hours of class observation and three essays (500 words each) are required to obtain the AMI Certificate.

Tuition: \$700

A deposit of \$100 is due with registration (by May 1st); the tuition balance is due in full by June 1st.

"The course gave me a new respect for children and Montessori educators in their goal to reach the child's fullest potential. It changed my life forever"
Teri Eckel
Aidan Montessori School,
Washington, DC

Registration Form

Name _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

School: _____

Background/position: _____

How you intend to use this training:

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Registration deadline:

May 1st

Send registration form and \$100 deposit payable to Loyola University Maryland.