



**Montessori CH**  
Internationales Ausbildungszentrum

## 6. AMI – Diploma Course

**2021 - 2023**

For Montessori-Teachers for the 6 to 12 year old child • AMI certified



## Contents of the Training Course

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This Training Course imparts the pedagogy of Maria Montessori for 6 to 12 year old children. The Foundation Course is mandatory for students who do not possess an AMI 3 to 6 diploma. It offers an overview of the principles of the Montessori materials and theory for the 3 to 6 year old children.

## Recognition of the Training Course

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The Training Course is AMI certified. AMI sets the requirements according to which the diploma will be earned by the participant at the end of the course.

## Why AMI?

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The Association Montessori International (AMI) which is based in Amsterdam was established by Maria Montessori in 1929 in order to secure the transmission of the unabbreviated and original Montessori pedagogy. A teacher training that is AMI recognized is

subject to strict conditions concerning lecturers, time tables, curriculum and exams. The Montessori pedagogy has to be implemented true to the principles. Only then can the expected spontaneous work of the children and the positive consequences of this kind of work occur. Also disappointments such as a negative reputation of the Montessori pedagogy can be avoided.

## Attributes of the Course

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It is important for future work with children that the participants practice the presentations with the original material in a supervised environment. Observing is one of the most important elements in the Montessori Pedagogy. Therefore, the course requirements include observations of children in Montessori classrooms. Before the future teacher takes the responsibility of guiding a classroom, there must be the opportunity to practice presenting the materials and performing other teacher related activities in a secure teaching environment. The course, therefore, includes practice teaching with children in a real Montessori classroom.

All lectures given in a AMI-Course will be recorded in writing and organized into albums by the participants, which will then be read and assessed by a Montessori pedagogue. The albums will serve as a reference to the teachers throughout their teaching careers. Participants will also make materials for use in the classroom. Lectures will be delivered in German and translated into English or vice versa.

## Conditions of admission

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In order to work successfully as a Montessori pedagogue it is necessary to have a sufficient educational background. Recognized as such are the completion of a Kindergarten teacher college, the successful completion of at least half of a teacher training college (an associates degree) or a university degree in pedagogy, psychology or any other subject. Normally, there is a requirement for a state license in teaching to be able to teach at a Montessori school after completing the course. Although this state license is not a requirement for being admitted to the course, we do recommend that participants investigate whether such a license is needed for the respective country of occupation.

## Course instructors

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Course Leader	Cordula Arana Lehrer
Course Coordinator	Andrea Helfenstein; Renée Classen

You will be accompanied by AMI assistants and translators.

## Course Location

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The course is organized by Montessori CH (International Training Center Switzerland) and takes place in the MCH course center:

Alte Landstrasse 153; 8706 Meilen

## Course fees

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Registration fee	CHF	500.00
Preparatory Course fee	CHF	2'320.00
Diploma Course fee	CHF	12'180.00
Examination fee	CHF	800.00

## Course Calendar (subject to change)

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Preparatory Course:	22.10.2021 – 05.11.2021	(2 weeks online)
	03.01.2022 – 14.01.2022	(2 weeks onsite)
Elementary Training Module 1	14.02.2022 – 04.03.2022	(3 weeks)
Elementary Training Module 2	23.05.2022 – 03.06.2022	(2 weeks)
Elementary Training Module 3	11.07.2022 – 29.07.2022	(3 weeks)
Elementary Training Module 4	03.10.2022 – 21.10.2022	(3 weeks)
Elementary Training Module 5	06.02.2023 – 24.02.2023	(3 weeks)
Elementary Training Module 6	10.07.2023 – 04.08.2023	(4 weeks)
Elementary Training Module 7	02.10.2023 – 20.10.2023	(3 weeks)
Examination Week:	23.10.2023 – 27.10.2023	(1 week)

In the school weeks between the training modules, there will be scheduled 3 to 4 weeks of observation and 5 to 6 weeks of practice teaching. These sessions will be discussed with the course director and the places for them can be chosen by the students themselves. The course director will decide whether a school is accepted as an observation or practice teaching site.

## Accommodations

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There will be additional costs for travelling, accommodations and food.

## Information / Application

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For more Information and the detailed application papers:

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