



8th AMI Montessori Training Course 2026 – 2028

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

A cooperation of MCH and DAMIP



Contents of the Course

The course imparts the pedagogy of Maria Montessori for 6 to 12 years old children. The foundation course, which is mandatory for students who do not possess an AMI 3 to 6 diploma, gives an overview of the principles of the Montessori materials and theory for the 3 to 6 year old children. It does not enable to teach in a 3-6 class.

Recognition of the Course

The 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



The Association Montessori International (AMI) which is based in Amsterdam/Netherlands 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.

Attributes of the Course

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.

Conditions of Admission

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 Staff

Director	Cordula Arana-Lehrer (Director of Training)
Lecturer	Andrea Helfenstein (Auxiliary Trainer)
	Renee Classen

They are supported by AMI assistants and translators.

Course Location

The course will be provided by Montessori CH (Internationales Ausbildungszentrum Schweiz) and will take place at the Montessori CH Ausbildungszentrum, Bahnhofstrasse 13, 5012 Schönenwerd. As the course will be done in collaboration with DAMIP the third module will take place in Linsengericht/Geislitz in Germany.

Course Fees

Registration fees	CHF	500.00
Fees Preparatory Course	CHF	1'760.00
Fees Training	CHF	12'180.00
Examantion fees	CHF	800.00

Course Calendar (subject to change)

Foundation Course	06.07.2026 – 10.07.2026 (1 week online) 10.08.2026 – 21.08.2026 (2 weeks on site)
Module 1	21.09.2026 – 09.10.2026 (3 weeks on site)
Module 2	22.03.2027 – 25.03.2027 (1 week online) 30.03.2027 – 03.04.2027 (1 week on site) 05.04.2027 – 10.04.2027 (1 week on site)
Module 3	19.07.2027 – 13.08.2027 (3 weeks in Linsengericht, Germany / 1 week online)
Module 4	27.09.2027 – 15.10.2027 (3 weeks on site)
Module 5	21.02.2028 – 10.03.2028 (3 weeks on site)
Module 6	10.04.2028 – 13.04.2028 (1 week online) 18.04.2028 – 28.04.2028 (2 weeks vor Ort) 17.05.2028 (evening; online) 21.06.2028 (evening; online)
Module 7	17.07.2028 – 11.08.2028 (4 weeks) (1 week written exams, 2 weeks of practice, 1 week oral exams)

The schedule requires course participants to be present Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and occasionally on a Saturday or evening. Details will be announced at a later date.

In the school weeks between the training modules, there will be scheduled 90 h (approx. 3 weeks) of observation and 120 h (approx. 4-5 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.

Accommodation

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

Information/Application



For more Information and the detailed application documents:

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