

Become a Montessori Teacher... through study in your own home!

Care givers, teachers, and parents of young children may love to work with infants and toddlers but may also wish they knew a better way to assist these children in their development. Sensitive adults instinctively know that restricting, dominating, comparing, long, structured group times or rowdy "free-for-all" play do not encourage the infant or toddler in his desire to learn to his full potential. Is there a better way?

YES! Montessori education provides adults with knowledge and skills to assist exciting, hands-on learning for children. Through Montessori Teacher Preparation of Washington's videotape course, you will learn how to use the Montessori method in your infant/toddler classroom and in your home.

This 75+ hour videotaped Montessori training program covers the following topics:

- Montessori Philosophy
- Child Development
- Observation Methods
- Environmental Design
- Administration and Parent Relations

This course consists of three parts: Phase I - academic, Phase II - internship, and Phase III – application for MIA certification.

In **PHASE I** you will:

- Gain new concepts in the education of young children through reading Dr. Montessori's books, hearing videotaped discussions of her ideas, and writing your own thoughts regarding her philosophy of education.
- Watch 75+ hours of lectures, discussions and learning materials being presented by a master teacher. You may keep the rented tape as long as one month, re-running it until you have mastered the material and then return it. At least 2 hours of videotape study should be completed for each 1-hour of taped material.
- Proceed at your own pace, requesting the next tape when you return the completed one.
- Refine your knowledge and skills by completing academic assignments.
- Demonstrate your study of the materials by compiling 5 albums. Five MTP decal sets will be provided to you by MTP of WA to unify your 5 albums of learning.
- Compile a Child Development timeline.

When your written assignments and 5 albums have been completed, you may apply for your academic certificate from MTP of WA, and begin Phase II. *

In **PHASE II** you will prove competency in a Montessori classroom certified by the Montessori Institute of America. You will:

- Work and learn under an experienced Category A certified Montessori teacher. (A Category A teacher holds a B.A., a national Birth – 3 Montessori teaching certificate, and has one year's teaching experience). **
- Send videotapes of your work with the children every 3 months.
- Complete an intern diary and 400 hours of internship.
- Complete all of the requirements as outlined in the videotapes and Intern Diary.
- Complete the Final Evaluation, including a Final Exam and videotaped discussion of your 5 albums.

PHASE III:

After successful completion of Phase I and Phase II, application for full MIA certification may be made by the completion of the application forms and payment of the certification fee (\$150.00) to MIA.

* Exceptions may be made for experienced persons to begin their internship concurrent to Phase I.

** Self-directed internships may be approved as well.

STAFF

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Mrs. McClurkin holds a B.A. in Biological Science from Sterling College and an M.A. in American History from Florida State University where she was in a Ph.D. program in Humanities as a NDEA scholar. Having taught history on the college level, she took her MIA Montessori training in Kansas City in 1971. Mrs. McClurkin has directed Montessori Plus School since 1971 and teacher preparation courses since 1973. A former MIA president, she is currently training over 50 persons per year in Montessori education. She took the AMS Birth- 3 course in 1997 in Seattle, WA.

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COST OF COURSE

Tape 1 (Refundable)	\$ 35
Enrollment Fee (Non-Refundable)	100
Materials Fee: Handouts and Pictures (Sets A & B) (Non-Refundable)	130
51 Tape Rentals at \$35 each (Tape 2-52) (Non-Refundable)	1,785
Instructor’s Fee (Non-Refundable)	150
Rental of 8 MTP observation tapes (Tapes 53-60)	200
Videotape Final Evaluation (Non-Refundable)	50
Total	\$ 2,450
Certification Fee to MIA	\$ 150
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 2,600

Recommended but not required:

Beginning tapes from the 3-6 videotape course at a 50% discount. These tapes are very useful in knowing how to use more Montessori materials for older children.

Optional: Set C classroom pictures - \$130

ENROLLMENT STEPS

1. Payment of the \$35 tape rental fee (by cashier’s check) for Tape 1, with the legally–signed agreement not to copy MTP videotapes. If you do not find this tape helpful, you may return it, requesting your full money back. Of course, no copying of MTP tapes is allowed.
2. Payment of the \$100 non-refundable enrollment fee (by cashier’s check only) entitles you to Packet I, which includes a bibliography, assignment sheet and other information pertinent to the assignments. This fee activates an office file for you.
3. Payment of the \$130 non-refundable materials fee (by cashier’s check only) entitles you to our Birth to Three handouts, pictures, and decal sets.
4. Return Tape 1 and order Tape 2, using the enclosed order form. Complete notes for Tape 1 must be written and mailed in with your request for Tape 2. Payment of \$35 rental fee in the form of a cashier’s check must accompany the order form. When Tape 2 is completed, you must return it with your completed notes and order Tapes 3 & 4 with a cashier’s check for \$70. You will continue this procedure through the renting of all 52 tapes. You may order two tapes at a time.
5. Order MTP observation tapes, \$25 each (maximum of \$200 total), of various classrooms, and complete observation questions and answers.
6. Compile an album for 5 areas: Montessori Philosophy, Child Development, Observation Methods, Environmental Design, Administration and Parent Relations
7. Complete written academic assignments as given on the videotapes and assignment sheets.
8. Apply for the academic certificate upon completion of Phase I. All fees, totaling \$2,400, to MTP must be paid in full, including the return of all videotapes, and the instructor’s fee of \$150 to Christine Munn.
9. Arrange for a valid internship, including completion of internship school application and school fee of \$100 to MIA. This should be completed two months before your internship begins.
10. Send your internship diary every-other-month to MTP for evaluation.
11. Send 3 videotapes of your work with infants or toddlers during your internship, plus pictures of your environment as it changes.
12. Send your Final Exam and a videotape of your five albums, discussing them on the videotape.
13. Upon successful completion of the 400-hour, nine-month internship and passing your MTP competency exam, you may now apply for MIA certification through completion of the MIA Application for Certification Form and payment of the MIA certification fee of \$150, which must be sent to MTP of WA for processing. Your MIA certificate will be forwarded to you within one month.