



THE CANADIAN MONTESSORI ACADEMY ELEMENTARY MONTESSORI TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM

The Canadian Montessori Academy Teacher Education Program leads to a Certificate in Montessori Elementary Teacher Education, qualifying you to work with children from 6 to 12 years of age - the Elementary age level. The course is being offered in collaboration with Chaminade University of Honolulu.

The CMA Elementary Teacher Education Program takes place in our 70 Fieldrow St. "school house" as well as our Infant/Toddler Centre. The school is located in Nepean, a suburb of Ottawa, the federal capital of Canada. All of the cultural and educational resources of the Nation's capital are but a short drive away.

To fully appreciate a career in Montessori education, we strongly recommend that you schedule a visit to a Montessori school. In fact, you may want to make visits to several Montessori schools in your area to see Montessori at work. Be sure to closely watch the children. Share your questions and interests with us.

WHAT MAKES THE CANADIAN MONTESSORI ACADEMY'S TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM SPECIAL?

- We define Montessori Teacher Education as a transformative experience. Learning to view and understand children in new ways involves providing you with coaching and mentoring support during a challenging learning experience.
- Our Course Instructors, some with more than twenty years of teaching experience, offer a rich background from owning schools to holding doctoral research degrees.
- Based on adult learning research, our courses of study will challenge you to reconsider your role as a teacher and learner.
- We believe that learning involves empowered partners. We each learn in relationship to others. We look forward to engaging in inquiry and dialogue with you. We encourage you to share your insights and experiences.

- We believe that learning is an active process. Our courses of study follow a logical progression of concepts and skills learned through a hands-on discovery and collaborative set of approaches.
- Mastery requires practice and repetition. Using curriculum handbooks, you will engage with instructors in learning how to work with children using the Montessori materials.
- To develop excellent teaching practices, we seek to help you master habits of mind: curiosity, creativity, independent thought, clarity, incisiveness of thought, tolerance for ambiguity, problem solving, time and resource management.
- Our purpose is to prepare you to become a Montessori Teacher who can observe children closely and, on this basis, prepare learning environments, use materials with precision and care, identify and respond to children's learning styles and their emotional and social needs.
- We take seriously Montessori's vision of a science of education. We encourage you to keep up-to-date on contemporary research. Using reflective methods, we invite your continual reexamination of educational theory and classroom practice.

We welcome the opportunity to meet with you to discuss the CMA Elementary Montessori Teacher Education Program. Please call us at 613-727-9427 or on our toll free number, 1-800-387-8085 to consider a career in Montessori Education. You may also e-mail us at: office@montessori-academy.com.

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