



MONTESSORI and CHILDREN'S SERVICES TRAINING COURSES

General

The Australian Centre for Montessori Studies (ACMS) is a national organisation committed to providing quality training to the Montessori teaching community, and to those interested in becoming qualified in the Montessori method.

We offer Montessori courses for Assistants and Teachers as well as nationally accredited Children's Services courses.

Courses

AMI Montessori Training Courses:

- AMI Montessori Assistants Certificate Early Childhood 3-6 (AMIAC3-6)
- AMI Montessori Diploma Assistants to Infancy 0-3 (AMIDIPO-3)
- AMI Montessori Diploma Early Childhood 3-6 (AMIDIP3-6)
- AMI Montessori Diploma Primary 6-12 (AMIDIP6-12)

Children's Services Courses:

- Certificate III in Children's Services (CHC30712)
- Diploma of Children's Services (Early childhood education and care) (CHC50908)

Course Fees

Application Fee	\$200
RPL Fee (per unit)	\$150
Credit Transfer Fee (per unit)	\$50
Certificate III in Children's Services	\$2,800
AMI Montessori Certificate	\$1,200
Diploma of Children's Services	\$3,600
AMI Montessori Diploma	\$12,000

Entry Requirement

To enrol, all applicants are required to:

- be over 18 years of age
- complete the course Application Form, referring to the Terms and Conditions therein
- pay the Application Fee
- provide a Statement of Attainment for HLTA311A Apply first aid
- provide a Working With Children Check (Blue Card in Queensland)
- comply with any course prerequisites
- additional requirements for AMI Montessori Diploma applications - refer to Course Brochures

Course Details

Courses for Montessori Teachers

AMI Montessori Diploma Assistants to Infancy 0-3 (AMIDIP0-3)

An in-depth study of Montessori pedagogy along with current medical and psychological approaches to child development for Montessori educators of children from birth to three years.

AMI Montessori Diploma Early Childhood 3-6 (AMIDIP3-6)

An in-depth study of Montessori pedagogy focusing on the developmental needs of the child for Montessori educators of children from three to six years.

AMI Montessori Diploma Primary 6-12 (AMIDIP6-12)

An in-depth study of Montessori pedagogy and child development as well as an interdisciplinary approach to the study of human beings, their endeavours and relationship with the universe for Montessori educators of children from six to twelve years.

Diploma of Children's Services (Early childhood education and care) (CHC50908)

A nationally accredited qualification for workers in children's services who are responsible for planning, implementing and managing programs in early childhood services, in accordance with licensing, accreditation and duty of care requirements. At this level workers have responsibility for supervision of other staff and volunteers.

Courses for Montessori Assistants

AMI Montessori Assistants Certificate Early Childhood 3-6 (AMIAC3-6)

An introduction to Montessori pedagogy and training for the role of assistant in a Montessori early childhood centre or preschool classroom.

Certificate III in Children's Services (CHC30712)

This qualification covers workers who use organisation policies, procedures and individual children's profiles to plan activities and provide care to children, facilitating their leisure and play and enabling them to achieve their developmental outcomes. Depending on the setting, workers may work under direct supervision or autonomously.

Accrediting Bodies

ACMS is a Registered Training Organisation (RTO) and our Certificate III in Children's Services and Diploma of Children's Services (Early childhood education and care) courses are nationally recognised and regulated by the Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA)

ACMS is the only body in Australia authorised to deliver the Association Montessori Internationale (AMI) Courses.





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Montessori education is growing in Australia, particularly in the early childhood sector. Parent demand for quality and choice is becoming more discerning, resulting in an increased number and capacity of Montessori schools and centres. As a result, there is a high demand for trained Montessori educators.

There are basically two components to teaching qualifications within Montessori, one being what is mandated by the government and the other being the Montessori pedagogical training required by a Montessori school/centre. We deliver courses for both, for Montessori Assistants and Montessori Teachers (Directors/Directresses).

One of the aims of the National Quality Framework is to improve and nationalise early childhood qualifications and educator to child ratios. As a result, educators working with children from birth to preschool age will require at least an approved Certificate III level education and care qualification, with higher qualifications required for half the staff.

In a Montessori setting, this means that all Montessori assistants will require a Certificate III in Children's Services. Teachers will require at least a Diploma of Children's Services (Early childhood education and care), with some requiring teaching degrees, depending on the setting.

In addition to these qualifications, Montessori training is provided at the assistant and teacher level. ACMS is the only training centre in Australia authorised to deliver Association Montessori Internationale (AMI) training courses. AMI is the recognised international authority on Montessori education and directs studies in affiliated teacher-training institutions around the world.

ACMS provides the AMI Montessori Certificate course for Montessori assistants and the AMI Montessori Diploma course for Montessori teachers. There are three separate courses for the Montessori Diploma aligned to the age group of the child – the Assistants to Infancy 0-3 course, the Early Childhood 3-6 course and the Primary 6-12 course.

Prospective educators are encouraged to visit the Australian Children's Education & Care Quality Authority (ACECQA) and the relevant state teachers institution websites for further information about qualifications and teacher registration.

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