

## Tuition

	A to I	Primary	Elementary
Application Fee	\$100	\$100	\$100
Acceptance Fee	\$500	\$500	\$500
Foundation Course	N/A	N/A	\$2,000
Tuition	\$9,000	\$9,000	\$12,000
AMI Membership	\$150	\$150	\$225
Practicum Fee	N/A	\$150	N/A
Examination Fee	\$200	\$200	\$200
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$9,950</b>	<b>\$10,100</b>	<b>\$15,025</b>

Students should anticipate costs for books and material making at each level of training. The amount spent on these varies by level of training and student.

(An individualized payment schedule can be arranged, if needed. All fees must be paid prior written and oral examinations.)

AMI-USA dues are higher for students living outside the United States.

Montessori Training Center of St. Louis does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, color, age, national or ethnic origin. Please investigate the state requirements for teacher certification in your area. Employment, salary and occupational advancement are in no way guaranteed.

The Montessori Training Center of St. Louis was founded by Pearl Vanderwall, a student of Maria Montessori, in 1972. Incorporated as a nonprofit educational organization in the State of Missouri and certified as a Proprietary School by the Department of Higher Education MTC of STL is affiliated with the Association Montessori Internationale and acts as an off-site campus for the Loyola Graduate M.Ed. Program. The Center trains A to I, Primary, and Elementary teachers and promotes Montessori education based on the scientific discoveries of Dr. Maria Montessori. Its graduates receive the authentic AMI primary diploma.



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## Assistants to Infancy

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This three-summer format requires eight weeks attendance the first summer and ten weeks the second summer. Between the two summers, students complete 250 hours of observation of children from birth to three at home and in group settings. Each student also completes one week of student teaching with children either in a Nido or Infant Community. During the summer sessions, students prepare their own reference manuals (albums) and timelines of child development. Some handmade materials are required (you may be surprised by your hidden abilities.) With the successful passing of comprehensive oral and written examinations, the course culminates in graduation and the awarding of the coveted 0-3 AMI diploma.

A to I students are prepared to work with parents perinatally, to assist with the infant at birth, to prepare beautiful and responsive environments, and to work in infant and toddler communities in schools, day care settings, hospitals and wherever children under the age of three are found.

## Primary

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This three-summer format requires six weeks attendance the first summer, eight weeks the second summer and four weeks attendance the third summer. Students do classroom observation and student teaching during the interim winter periods and attend two mid-winter seminars. With the successful passing of comprehensive oral and written examinations, the course culminates in graduation and the awarding of the coveted 3-6 AMI diploma.

During the course, students are introduced to all the materials, the classroom strategies for guiding young children, the educational philosophy, and the developmental psychology of Dr. Maria Montessori. Along with presentations and practice with Practical Life, Sensorial, Language, and Mathematics materials, you will learn effective and interesting materials and methods for introducing all aspects of culture (geography, biology, history, art, music, etc.) in age-appropriate ways.



## Elementary

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This three-summer format begins with the four-week Foundation course for those without the AMI Primary Diploma. The Elementary course requires five weeks attendance the first summer, eight weeks the second summer and eight weeks attendance the third summer. Students do classroom observation and student teaching during the interim winter periods and attend two mid-winter seminars. With the successful passing of comprehensive oral and written examinations, the course culminates in graduation and the awarding of the coveted 6-12 AMI diploma.

The Elementary course provides an in-depth study of Montessori theory and practice. This intense, rich course will prepare you to guide children aged six to twelve through individual and small group activities, while exploring history, language, science, geography, biology, music, mathematics, and art.