

# MONTESSORI CENTER KOREA



## AMI DIPLOMA COURSE STUDENT HAND BOOK

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## ASSOCIATION MONTESSORI INTERNATIONALE (AMI)

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*"Maintain, propagate and further the ideas and principles of Dr Maria Montessori for the full development of the human being."*

The central aim of AMI

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The Association Montessori Internationale (AMI) was established in 1929, by Dr Maria Montessori and her son Mario Montessori.

AMI is the recognised international authority on Montessori education and directs studies in affiliated teacher-training institutions around the world. During its long history, AMI has fostered the growth and development of Montessori education practices and standards through active work with member schools, teachers and educators. Regular study conferences of AMI have served as important milestones in the development of new practices and the exchange of insights which have grown out of the application of Montessori to widely differing lands and cultures.

## AMI 0-3 DIPLOMA COURSE

The AMI Assistants to Infancy Diploma Course (0-3 Age Level) is an intensive full time programme designed to help students study closely the theory and practice of the Montessori approach to education.

The preparation of the adult about to undertake work with young children demands a high degree of self-discipline and commitment, and a professional attitude. This preparation can only be achieved through immersion in the Montessori theory under the supervision of experienced lecturers. Furthermore, the special materials to be used with the children in a Montessori class require individual training and supervised practice- as each piece of apparatus has a function in the total scheme of the Montessori Prepared Environment.

These fundamental aspects cannot be covered in sufficient depth by distance learning. Montessori training is a process of re- orientation where students begin to discover for themselves the profound truths underlying the Montessori approach. Courses are full-time and are offered over a two-year for some period. The course programme includes lectures, seminars and demonstrations on Montessori philosophy, child development and the Montessori materials. Each course also includes significant components of observation, supervised practice with the materials, material making and teaching practice. Students prepare an album which details the purpose, use and presentation of each piece of material.

## **AMI 0-3 DIPLOMA COURSE (CHINESE& KOREAN)**

Module 1:

December 23, 2019~ January 17, 2020

Module 2:

August 17, 2020~ September,4 2020

Module 3:

January 11, 2021~ February 5, 2021

Module 4:

July 19, 2021~ August 20, 2021

**Course Language : Korean, Chinese**

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## MODULE1 December 23. 2019 - January 17. 2020

1 week	Monday: Opening, Registration & Lecture Montessori pedagogy & Home Environment & Material Making
2 week	Montessori pedagogy & Home Environment & Material Making
3 week	Medical & Home Environment
4 week	Medical & Psycho sensory motor development Friday 1:00 p.m.: Closure Luncheon

## MODULE2 August 17. 2020 - September 04. 2020

1 week	Monday: Opening & Lecture Psycho sensory motor development
2 week	Montessori pedagogy & Medical Friday: Study Day -No Class
3 week	<b>Monday: WRITTEN EXAM</b> Medical & Psycho sensory motor development Friday 1:00 p.m.: Closure Luncheon
4 week	Monday- Friday: School Observations The school observation is conducted in China. (Japan)

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## MODULE3 JANUARY 11. 2021 - FEBRUARY 5. 2021

<b>1 week</b>	Monday: Opening & Lecture Community Environment & Child Neuropsychiatry
<b>2 week</b>	Community Environment & Child Neuropsychiatry
<b>3 week</b>	Community Environment & Child Neuropsychiatry& Practical Life
<b>4 week</b>	Community Environment & Child Neuropsychiatry& Practical Life Friday 1:00 p.m.: Closure Luncheon

## MODULE4 JUNE 19, 2021 - AUGUST 20, 2021

<b>1 week</b>	Monday: Opening & Lecture Community Environment & Child Neuropsychiatry & Practical Life Cooking Presentation Prep. Students create Theory study groups for Written Exam
<b>2 week</b>	Montessori pedagogy & Medical Friday: Study Day -No Class
<b>3 week</b>	<b>Monday: WRITTEN EXAM</b> Medical & Psycho sensory motor development Friday 1:00 p.m.: Closure Luncheon
<b>4 week</b>	Monday- Friday: School Observations The school observation is conducted in China. (Japan)

Daily sessions run from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Monday - Thursday | Friday usually ends at 2:30

## 1.ELIGIBILITY

**Candidates fulfilling the following requirements will be considered eligible for admission into the course:**

- Completed 20 years of age
- A Bachelor's degree

## 2.APPLICATION

**To be considered for admission you need to submit the following:**

- Application Form duly filled in and signed by the applicant
- Attested OR Certified Copies of all educational documents
- Letters of reference from current or previous employers
- Application Fee (150 USD)

## 3.ADMISSION CONFIRMATION

Selected candidates will receive a letter of acceptance with a last date for the payment of fees. Once the fees are paid the candidate will receive a letter of confirmation along with the schedule for the first day.

## 1. THEORY LECTURE

The Assistants to Infancy Training Course prepares adults for the task of helping young children to develop the fullness of their individual human potential. The course provides an opportunity to study, in depth, Montessori pedagogy and practices along with current medical and psychological approaches to child development, including:

- **Montessori Pedagogy and Philosophy:**

The natural development of the child from conception to age three.

- **Anatomy and Physiology**

- **Obstetrics:**

Prenatal, birth, and postnatal development.

- **Nutrition and Hygiene:**

Maternal care, digestive system, food preparation, and health issues.

- **Child Neuropsychiatry:**

The nervous system and normal psychological development

- **Development of Movement and Language**

- **Environment:**

Preparation of the home and infant community as an aid to human development

- **Music, Art, and Spiritual Development**

## 2. DEMONSTRATION LECTURES

The practical demonstration lectures deal with the care of the Infant in the Home and Community Settings.

The preparation of the home, the furniture, the clothing and the developmental materials offered to children from 0 to 3 years of age in a Montessori environment will be presented.

The principles on which the materials are based, the technique of presenting them to the child, the age at which they must be offered and the changes that need to be effected as the child grows will also be explored in detail.

## 3. SUPERVISED PRACTICE

During scheduled hours students will have an opportunity to practice with the materials and work on preparing child development timelines. Students will be supervised and guided in the preparation and use of the materials and encouraged to develop and practice the techniques by which they will present the various materials to children.

## 4. CARE OF THE ENVIRONMENT

Students will also be asked to take responsibility for the environment everyday just as they would when they are with children. This is an essential aspect of the training that develops the student's eye for the care and maintenance of the material and helps them to develop a familiarity with the setup of a Montessori environment.

## 5. OBSERVATION

Students will have to arrange and undertake 250 hours of observation of children less than three years between the modules.

## 6. TEACHING PRACTICE

Students will need to undertake teaching practice in a Nido or an Infant Community for one week. During this time they will be shown how to keep a record of observations and as well as have an opportunity to work directly with children under the supervision of an AMI trained adult. Students will need to budget for their commute.

## 7. ALBUMS

Students will need to submit a wide range of assignments at regular intervals during the course and between modules. Students will be required to write theory assignments and observation reports and prepare Reference Albums, timelines of child development. Students will need to do four to six hours of organized work at home every day in order to complete all assignments.

## 8. HANDMADE MATERIALS

Students will be making several handmade materials suitable for the development of children less than three years. Students are required to budget an additional expense towards the same.

## 9. EMAIL AND INTERNET ACCESS

Students will need access to Email and internet as information will be sent to them regularly by email. Some assignments will need to be submitted electronically.

## 10. ATTENDANCE

Students must have **90% attendance for each aspect of the course** including time taken off due to illness. Attendance records will be meticulously maintained throughout the year. In case of absence, students should notify the Director of Training in writing, at least one day in advance. In case of illness the student should inform the training center by phone or email immediately.

## 11. REQUIRED READING

Compulsory:

- The Absorbent Mind
- The Secret of Childhood
- The Child in the Family
- The Discovery of the Child
- Education for a New World
- The Formation of Man
- The 1946 London Lectures

Recommended:

- Understanding the Human Being
- Education for Human Development
- The Child, Society and the World
- Education and Peace

## 1. ELIGIBILITY CONDITION

The student's eligibility for appearing for the Examination will depend on the following:

- 90% attendance for each aspect of the course
- Punctual completion and submission of all assignments called for in the course of the year
- Full payment of the fees
- Completion of required hours of School Teaching Practice
- Completion of required hours of School Observations
- Completion of required hours of Supervised Practice

## 2. WRITTEN EXAMINATIONS

There will be two written examinations. Paper A will be on psychology and theory. Paper B will be on the practical aspects with the underpinning principles.

### 3. ORAL EXAMINATION

There will also be an oral examination in which students will be asked to present the use of the material and explain the underlying theory.

An external examiner will be appointed by AMI to conduct the examinations. The diploma is awarded by the Association Montessori International after a successful written and oral examination and completion of all requirements for certification. The decision of the board of examiners will be final and binding. No appeals will be entertained after results are released.

Registered students who for valid reasons fail to appear for the examinations on the scheduled dates at the appointed time may be given the opportunity to appear at the examinations held the following year thereafter. They will have to apply for this opportunity in writing with a full and acceptable explanation. In case of medical grounds, a registered practitioner must attest the medical certificate. They will be charged the Examination Fee for the re-examination. Students appearing for re-examination in any of the four parts can do so ONLY the following year.

## 4. DIPLOMA

The AMI diploma is awarded by the Association Montessori International. It qualifies the holder to work with children in a Montessori environment between 0 and 3 years of age. Diploma holders have great opportunities to find employment in China and abroad. The diploma is recognized throughout the world. Many diploma holders have started their own schools.

# COURSE FEES

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**APPLICATION  
FEE****150 USD**

Payable upon submission of the application to the course before the admission closing date {non-refundable and non-transferable}

**TUITION****4,902 USD**

Payable in full one month prior to the start of the Diploma course.

**EXAMINATION****402 USD****TRANSLATION  
FEE(CHINESE)****800 USD****TOTAL FEE****6,254 USD****Refund Policy :**

It can be refunded only within one month of the tuition collection period. Full refunds will be given for classes that have already been paid before the commencement of classes. Two-thirds of the fees already paid are refunded prior to the total period of one-third of the amount will be refunded. A refund of one-half of the fees paid before the total teaching period is completed. Refunds are not allowed after a total period of one-half of the teaching period.

# INFORMATION OF COURSE TRAINING CENTER

## LOCATION

**Apt 106-2004, 675 Sangha-dong, Yongin-si,  
Gyeonggi-do, 16994, South Korea**

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## DIRECTOR OF TRAINING

### **Eibi Chung**

Philosophy Diploma, Ewha university

AMI 3-6 Diploma Course

(Korea Montessori Institute)

AMI 0-3 Diploma Course

(Centro Educazione Montessori, Italy)

AMI kids house director

(내마음의 어린이집 원장)

Wisconsin Montessori School Head Teacher

AMI Trainer at the Assistants to Infancy level

Write: 'Enjoy of Observation : Maria Montessori'

# APPLICATION DOCUMENT

**To be considered for admission you need to submit the following:**

- Application Form duly filled in and signed by the applicant
- Attested or Certified Copies of all educational documents
- Letters of reference from current or previous employers (center form)
- Application Fee ( 150 USD )

## Admission process

You pay the application and the application fee (150 USD).

When all documents arrive, a separate interview will take place. After the individual interview, the acceptance is determined.

(Interviews may be omitted if you are abroad.)

