

AMI 12-18 Orientation Certificate Course

Course ID: MIP O 03

Course Format: HYBRID.

International Certificate Course for practitioners in a Montessori Adolescent Community.

This course will be held in a hybrid format: onsite and online.

ONSITE INFORMATION:

We will have a group of 20 students onsite at Montessori Farm Senešnice.

More information about the farm: www.montessorifarma.cz/en.

Food will be organized by adolescent students of the farm and will be paid for by participants separately, directly to the student farm economy. Details about food arrangements will be provided to registered participants later.

Accommodation will be possible in nearby villages - guest-houses and hotels.

Prices range from 20€/night to 80€/night.

There are accommodation options that can be accessed by foot, by car or by bus.

We will help with tips for accommodation, but ultimately, to find accommodation is the responsibility of students.

ONLINE INFORMATION:

The second group of students can join the course online.

The online study will be very intensive, as the course is planned for

7 consecutive days with study hours from 9am to 5pm every day.

We ask all students who are interested to register online to be ready for this.

Goal of the Course: The intention of the international AMI Orientation Certificate Course is to help interested adults become able helpers in a Montessori Adolescent Community.

Trainer: Jenny Hoglund, Sweden, AMI 12-18 Trainer.

Lecturers: Lesley Anne Patrick, Karl Bruun, John McNamara.

Dates: Live lectures will take place during August 8-14, 2022. Also 9 additional hours of obligatory observations are required. Specific instructions on how to observe will be given during the Course, taking into account the restrictions which may be imposed by Covid 19.

Daily Schedule: The course sessions will be held from 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM, this may include self study time and also additional self study time outside of this daily schedule may be required. Further details will be provided before the course. The course hours are given in Central European Time.

Obligatory Online Course Orientation Meeting: will be held on July 15, 2022, 5-6:30pm CET. The meeting will be held online. All participants of the course are required to attend this meeting.

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Course language:

- English, with interpretation of the spoken word to Czech. Students need to have an adequate level of understanding of English, Czech or Slovak to succeed in the course.
- Written coursework, the written assignments, can be done in English, Czech and Slovak.
- If there is interest, the possibility of interpretation into other languages, other than already announced, can be consulted with the Course Director.

Obligatory reading:

Chapters “Appendixes A, B and C” from the book “From Childhood to Adolescence” and two articles: The Adolescent – A Social Newborn and The Case for Montessori Erdkinder - The Oxford Lecture, both from NAMTA Journals.

All participants of the course must purchase the book and these two articles before the course and bring it with them.

The book [From Childhood to Adolescence \(\\$14.95\) is to be purchased from Montessori-Pierson.](#)

The two articles are to be purchased from North American Montessori Teachers' Association (NAMTA) -

[The Adolescent - A Social Newborn \(\\$6.00\)](#)

[The Case for Montessori Erdkinder - The Oxford Lecture \(\\$8.00\)](#)

We strongly advise that you purchase these readings as soon as you register for the course. it will take time for the book to be shipped to you.

Alternatively, you can rent the required readings from MIP during the registration process for 15 EUR. They will be available until November 30, 2022 for viewing only, no printing or sharing is possible.

It is not possible to take the course without these readings!

Requirements for Certification:

- Submission of three papers (500 words) on topics set by the Trainer during the period of the Course.
- 9 hours of obligatory observation.
- Submission of observation notes and observation report.
- Submission of other course work as required by the trainer and reading of obligatory texts.
- Minimum of 90% attendance.

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The Course Content:

- I. Introduction to Montessori Work
- II. Montessori's View on Human Development
- III. The Four Planes of Development
- IV. Human Tendencies
- V. The Role of the Seminar
- VI. First Plane of Development – needs and characteristics, absorbent mind, sensitive periods, independence, normalisation, freedom and discipline
- VII. Second Plane of Development – needs and characteristics, sensitivities, independencies, Cosmic Education, going out, freedom and responsibility
- VIII. The Third Plane of development – needs and characteristics, sensitive periods, independencies, freedom in the context of the community
- IX. The Role of the Prepared Environment and the Prepared Adult – general Montessori theory
- X. The Role of the Prepared Environment and the Role of the Adults for the third plane
- XI. Work – throughout the planes, Work Cycle, Study and Work Plans
- XII. Social Organisation
- XIII. Residential Life
- XIV. Social and Economic Independence, Production and Exchange
- XV. Educational Syllabus
- XVI. Self-Expression
- XVII. Moral Development
- XVIII. Mathematics, Language, Science, Technology
- XIX. Study and Work of the Adolescent
- XX. Observation
- XXI. To What End – Social Reform
- XXII. Case Studies
- XXIII. Adolescent Voices
- XXIV. Seminars
- XXV. Whole School – administrators, colleagues, parents

Price: 900 Eur / 22 500 Kč for ONSITE. 800 Eur / 20 000 Kč for ONLINE. The payment is made during the online electronic registration. The price of this course is higher than the online format, due to the extraordinary opportunity to experience the course directly at a Montessori farm program site. Food and accommodation is not included in the price of the course.

Equal Opportunity Policy MIP is committed to achieving equality of opportunity for all people who work and study at the Institute. If you have any special learning needs, and need any accommodation to help you or special support, please let us know during your application process.

How to apply: Enrollment criteria: adequate level of English, Czech and other approved languages of the course, to enable efficient study in the course, ability to study at a higher academic level, positive motivation to study and willingness to positively and constructively cooperate with the Course Director and the training center staff, filled out online application form and payment of the first part of the fee. Students will need to have a computer available with them during the period of the course to write their course work and read the course obligatory literature. When we receive your application package, we will review it and let you know the result of the enrollment process. Every student who fulfills the enrollment criteria will be accepted to the course.