



KALMANOVITZ
SCHOOL OF
EDUCATION

MONTESSORI ELEMENTARY 6-12 CREDENTIAL

(32 - 34 units)

The *Montessori Elementary Teacher Education Program* prepares the student to teach in a Montessori lower (usually 6 through 9 years of age) or upper (9 through 12 years) elementary classroom. The program includes the option to complete a Masters of Arts Degree in Montessori Elementary Education, or a Masters of Education Degree in Montessori Education.

Core Courses (26 - 28 units):

			<u>Units</u>
<i>Spring</i>	MONT 210	Learning & Development	3
<i>Fall</i>	MONT 261	Montessori Philosophy in a Cultural Context	3
<i>Fall</i>	ECE 231	Positive Discipline/Classroom Management	2
<i>Fall</i>	MONT 223	Technology in the Classroom	1
<i>Spring</i>	MONT 263	Elementary Mathematics I	3
<i>Summer</i>	MONT 264	Language, Reading & Writing	3
<i>Jan Term</i>	MONT 265	Elementary Foundations	2
<i>Summer</i>	MONT 266	Study of the Sciences	3
<i>Fall</i>	MONT 267	Creative Arts I	1
<i>Spring</i>	MONT 268	Creative Arts II	1
<i>Jan Term</i>	MONT 269	Elementary Mathematics II	2
<i>Summer</i>	MONT 270	Integration and Personal Assessment	2
<i>Summer</i>	MONT 287	Montessori Overview (if no ECE certification)	2

Field Experiences (6 units):

<i>Fall</i>	MONT 411	Field Observation & Seminars I	1
<i>Spring</i>	MONT 412	Field Observations & Seminars II	1
<i>Fall</i>	MONT 420	Practicum I	2
<i>Spring</i>	MONT 430	Practicum II	2

Elementary Practicum

A practicum is a requirement for the successful completion of the Elementary Montessori Teacher Education Program and must consist of a minimum of 1,080 clock hours. The function of the practicum phase is to provide a supervised teaching/learning experience and a period of observation, internalization, and further study, to bring together the theory and practice of Montessori education. Students obtain their own practicum placements and the Intern Director must approve each student's placement.

The practicum generally begins in September. The minimum practicum lasts one full academic year (9 months) during which the student teacher works at the practicum site with the designated age group 5 full days per week. The length of the practicum may be extended to provide additional experience and insure all standards and competencies are met. In some cases a self-directed practicum may be undertaken with the approval of the Intern Director.