

MMTTC History

Ursula Thrush, world-renowned Montessori lecturer and trainer, established the Maria Montessori Teacher Training Center in September of 1972. Ms. Thrush was AMI-trained in London and Bergamo, by Mario Montessori, the son of Maria Montessori, and others. She established the MMTTC so that she could continue to share with others the transformation she had experienced with her introduction to the Montessori mission. She also worked tirelessly to promote education for peace in Montessori training centers and classrooms around the world. Her legacy lives on in her brilliant curricula, which have maintained their relevance for over forty years. This work, combined with the original curricula of Dr. Rebecca Keith, MMTTC Co-Director, are the foundation for the MMTTC training.

“Adults who set out to educate children must, at the same time, be willing to educate themselves.” -Ursula Thrush

Professional Development

If you already have your Montessori Certificate, the MMTTC classes may be taken individually for professional development or as refresher courses. We offer also workshops on a variety of Montessori topics. For more information about these opportunities, please contact us!

Training sites in San Jose & Santa Rosa



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Primary (3-6)
Montessori Training
Program

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Primary (3-6) Training

The Primary course is a two-year, part-time course which prepares adults to teach children, between the ages of 2 ½ and 6, in a Montessori environment. It is designed to be an interactive study based on Montessori's vision for lifelong learning, utilizing all her materials and methodologies, integrated with current research in child development and early childhood education.



Why Train with Us?

Awareness of and interest in Montessori education is growing. It's our goal to support this growth and vision by putting well-developed teachers into the classrooms. Because our training program is small in size, we offer a more intimate setting that leads to deeper learning and the formation of lasting professional relationships in the Montessori community. We develop more confident teachers because of our focus on adult transformation and communication skills. Growing and nurturing non-violent communication skills is a strength of our program. Our graduates are ready to lead a classroom or jump into a teaching team.

Admission Procedure

A Bachelor's Degree is preferred, but not required.

To apply, we require:

- ◇ A completed application form
- ◇ A non-refundable application fee of \$50
- ◇ A letter of intent, outlining the reasons why training is desired
- ◇ Three letters of recommendation from professional contacts
- ◇ Copy of official transcripts

“The MMTTC has been a beautiful, transformational learning experience. It has affected my career and personal life in many wonderful ways. It has been an amazing journey and I know I have joined a community I will enjoy for years to come.”

- Carmen V., MMTTC Graduate

Tuition & Related Costs

Application Fee	\$50
Books	\$400*
Materials/Supplies	\$150*
MACTE Student Fee	\$166
Practicum Fee	\$400
<u>Tuition (2-year program)</u>	<u>\$4,000</u>
Total Cost (*approx.)	\$5,166

Transferrable CSUEB units \$2,136

Discounts offered for paying-in-full and enrolling two or more students together.

Flexible payment plans are available.

MMTTC Directors

South Bay Site

Rebecca Keith, Ed.D. brings over 40 years of



experience to the MMTTC and oversees the San Jose campus. Dr. Keith (trained in primary and elementary levels by MMTTC founder Ursula

Thrush) has been training teachers since 1981. She also established and has been administrating her own school, One World Montessori School, Inc., since 1979. Dr. Keith has completed a Masters and an Ed.D. in Educational Leadership from St. Mary's College of California. Dr. Keith's thesis, "*Learning As Development: Reflections of Former Montessori Students*" received the prestigious Distinguished Dissertation Award from AMS in 2015. She was also the recipient of the 2015 Wisdom of the Elders Award given by MACTE.

North Bay Site

This Santa Rosa MMTTC campus is managed by

Jed Burchett at Brush Creek

Montessori School. Mr. Burchett earned his Primary Teacher's Certificate from Susan Cohn at the MMTTC in 2006. Ms. Cohn was also trained and mentored by Ursula Thrush. Mr. Burchett has



completed the AMI-NAMTA Orientation to Adolescent Studies. He is currently the Head of School at Brush Creek Montessori in Santa Rosa, and takes an active role in the political activism of the Montessori community world-wide.