










1. Why do you want to take this training course?


The love and passion for children has always inspired me to become a teacher. **A de, who nurtures a cs development into an independent and happy adult.** In the past few years, I met a lot of people who were sed Montessori teachers. My exence with them made me realize that I could now give an educational approach to my passion. Montessori is child centric and respects the reality that every child learns in a unique way and at their own pace. The faith that this approach makes children confident lifelong learners inspires me to learn more about it and take i as a profession. Indian education system is one of the most demanding and complex education system, where children are put into the human race way too early and made to believe that grades are the only way to differentiate themselves from others and be ahead in thiman race. With all this pressure, they have no time to realize and acknowledge that they are all unique and special in their own ways. However, times are changing and many schools have adopted new creative ways of providing holistic education to their students. But there are only a handful of them that are affordable to everyone.

Montessori has been proven by many educators around the world to solve a lot of th issues. Although there is huge growth in the number of pre-primary schools in India, Financial Express magazine reports that CR (Child Rights and You is an NGO in India working towards the upliftment of underprivileged children) on-ground experiences have revealed that many teachers in the system have not gone through any pre-service training program for various financial issues. It has been scientifically proven that the most crucial age of learning is between 3-6 years of age. This makes it even more critical for the teachers to have a primary knowledge and understanding of foundational and pedagogic areas to enable him/her to provide the best support for the healthy growth of a child. With love for children, I have a vision to create an environment for children that facilitates their holistic development and in turn enable a society that celebrates differences and accepts everyone for who they are. Following in the footsteps of some of the great educationists who have changed the education landscape in various parts of India, I wish to contribute to our education system with a mission to enable quality primary education to all classes of the society and share the gained knowledge to strengthen our foundation of teaching. This training (Primary education Montessori) will help me acquire the right skillset needed to achieve my goal and will be the stepping stone in manifesting my dream.



2. What are your interests and skills? What specific qualifications do you bring to this work?




Although I worked in the corporate world for nearly 8 years, I always made time to pursue my interest in dance and travel. I have been part of a very talented dance crew for the past few years that has taught me a lot. As part of the crew, I learned a lot about working as a team, supporting and helping each other with love that created a strong bond between us. Being part of a dance crew involved great amount of devotion and dedication with undivided focus to practice relentlessly for long hours and master a choreography. As a dancer, I developed a sense of self-motivation, always ready to push my boundaries fearlessly and tap into greater possibilities as a dancer. Creativity and imagination automatically becomes an innate nature of a dancer by expressing music through their dance. Dancing teaches me how amazing life can be when one is passionate about something. Travelling has its own perks and learnings to offer. As most of my travels are solo trips, it gives me an opportunity to meet new people and interact with them and learn about diverse cultures along

the way. This keeps me intensely curious about everything that goes on during my journey. Going solo also makes me independent as I have to plan and organize every detail of my trip and preempt any situation that I may face and prepare me for the unexpected. Travelling has also helped me adapt well to change and new environments, experiences and people.

I believe that all these skills that I have learned from pursuing my interests have helped me in my corporate life and will also play a key role in pursuing my passion of being a Montessori teacher. My incessant curiosity and zeal to learn will help me understand children and build a mutually learning environment in the classroom. Imagination and creativity will enable me to create an environment that further kindles their curiosity to learn and keep them motivated and enjoy learning. a dedicated guide will always treat children with immense love, care and respect each child's individuality. 


3. Describe your experience with children. Do you have any experience with children in the age range you wish to study? If so, explain.

Working with an IT company, gave me the opportunity to teach underprivileged children from a government Elementary school in Bangalore. It was a great learning experience for me. I used creative ways to teach the  English and made learning enjoyable for them. The positive energy in those children was so infectious that it would leave no one untouched. I also utilized my engineering skills to help the children with their annual science project conducted by GE. This instilled a love for learning science in them. Every time I was with them, it only brought immense joy and satisfaction to me. As a part time passion, I also volunteered as an active member of an NGO - Anandjyot. We tried bringing happiness in the lives of orphans and kids suffering with health issues by fulfilling their small wishes. I realized that children are filled with pure love, and it was me who was learning from them. It was their smiling  faces filled with hope and dreams that inspired me to do more and more for them.

I live in a community with kids of all age groups and I have always been blessed to be surrounded with children. As I enjoy dancing, my house becomes a ballroom for these children once a week. Based on each child's  interest, I need to choose the right song and play it for them while I teach them how to shake a leg. And over the years, we have created a mutual understanding that each child is respected, supported and enjoys each other's  choice of music and accepts each other's  dancing abilities. These kids triggered me to think out of the box and come up with games like build a story. In March 2016, my nephew came as a blessing in my life, who taught me when you let someone learn their way and be patient with them, the bond and trust only gets stronger. He would eagerly wait for me to come back from work and he would start his walking lessons as he felt safe with me. I can already see him grow into an independent and loving human being. All these beautiful experiences made me realize that children have immense potential, and right environment brings out the best in them.

4. How do you intend to use your Montessori training? How will your training further your professional goals?


Being a software engineer, whenever I was asked what my 10-year plan was, I knew it had nothing to do with the corporate world but more to do with pursuing my dream. I always knew that

someday, I wanted to be a teacher  children. And finally, I have an unclouded vision. I have a dream to open a Montessori school for children in my hometown. However, to build anything strong and lasting, the foundation must be sturdy. This training created by Maria Montessori is the building block of Montessori education and is instrumental towards materializing my dream. Using the tools and techniques learnt in this training, I will be able to observe and understand children better. It will enable me to create a meaningful environment for children that will help them tap into their greater potential and blossom into confident and happy human beings.

As I gain experience by implementing and practicing the learnings of this training, I wish to contribute to my society by sharing this knowledge with public(government) school teachers too. This in turn will help create a more skilled workforce of Montessori teachers. Thus, making Montessori education reachable to all the classes of Indian society.

5. How did you first learn about our program?

After taking the decision of finally pursuing my dream, I started my research by listing down training centers of AMI offering Primary Montessori Education training in India and USA. During my research, one center that really caught my attention was your Institute - MISD (Montessori Institute of San Diego). There was a positive vibe while reading about your school, which immediately compelled me to get more information about MISD. Amy Rhodes (Student Services Coordinator) was also positively influential in helping me out by giving me direction to this profession by responding promptly and patiently to all my queries and giving me all the information I needed for the course.

Further reading about the faculty and reviews about the school gave me the confidence that MISD has some of the very best and knowledgeable trainers like Dr. Si  C. Dubovoy, who are immensely passionate. MISD has great facilities and its location makes it apt for undisturbed and focused learning. And finally speaking to one of the former students (Shivmala Narasappa - founder Director and Montessori guide of Footprint Montessori, Bangalore, India) of this institute, confirmed that MISD is one of the best AMI training centers with very loving and caring trainers. It would be a privilege to learn under such passionate and humble trainers and an honor to get my degree from MISD.