



## **PRIOR LEARNING CREDITS**

### **Center for Guided Montessori Studies**

Teachers who successfully complete coursework and/or certification from the Center for Guided Montessori Studies (CGMS) may apply for Prior Learning Credits to be applied towards the Master in the Art of Teaching (MAT) program at Aquinas College.

Cost includes a \$50 application processing fee (per course) in addition to tuition charges of \$150 per credit hour (maximum = 18 credits). Montessori Prior Learning Credits will be transcribed as EN-599 "Special Topics in Education".

Complete this Prior Learning Credit application form and attach official documentation demonstrating successful completion of course and/or Montessori teacher certification to your application. Submit the application packet to Michele Mazurek, Certification Officer and Graduate Program Advisor ([mmm006@aquinas.edu](mailto:mmm006@aquinas.edu)).

<b>CGMS MONTESSORI Coursework (Maximum 18 credits)</b>		<b>Credits</b>
EN-7xx1	<i>Observation Role of the Montessori Guide</i>	1
EN-7xx2	<i>Child Development in the Montessori Classroom</i>	2
EN-7xx3	<i>Montessori History and Philosophy</i>	2
EN-7xx4	<i>Language in the Montessori Classroom</i>	2
EN-7xx5	<i>Mathematics in the Montessori Classroom</i>	2
EN-7xx6	<i>Music and Movement in the Montessori Classroom</i>	1
EN-7xx7	<i>Physical Education in the Montessori Classroom</i>	1
EN-7xx8	<i>Cosmic Education at the Early Childhood Level</i>	2
EN-7xx9	<i>Peace Education in the Montessori Classroom</i>	1
EN-7xx10	<i>Sensorial Learning in the Montessori Classroom</i>	2
EN-7xx11	<i>Visual Arts in the Montessori Classroom</i>	1
EN-7xx12	<i>Classroom Leadership in the Montessori Classroom</i>	2

**Full CGMS MONTESSORI certification = 18 hours of Prior Learning Credits**  
**At least 18 credits of the 36 credit MAT degree must be completed at Aquinas College.**

# PRIOR LEARNING APPLICATION

Graduate students have the opportunity to demonstrate competency and prior learning for graduate credits. The American Council for Education defines prior learning as academic credit granted for demonstrated college level equivalencies gained through learning experiences outside of the college classroom. These credits may be used to: waive course prerequisites; meet general education requirements; meet major/minor requirements; meet elective credit requirements or general credits towards those needed for graduation. These credits may not be used to meet residency requirements for a major, minor, or a degree.

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STUDENT ID#

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ADDRESS

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CITY/STATE/ZIP

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PHONE

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AQUINAS EMAIL

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COURSE NUMBER

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COURSE TITLE

\*\*A \$50.00 processing fee per course will be assessed, whether the application is approved or denied. If approval for credit is granted, an additional charge of \$150.00 per graduate credit hour will be due prior to the credits being added to your transcript.

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STUDENT SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

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FOR CHAIRPERSON/DEAN ONLY

Prior Learning credit is APPROVED/DENIED (circle one) for the following reason(s):

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Credit Hours Received: \_\_\_\_\_. If credit is awarded, a "CR" grade will appear on the transcript. This grade is not computed into the GPA.

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Department Chair/Dean

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Registrar

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FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

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\$50.00 PROCESSING FEE PAID/INITIALS/DATE

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CREDIT HOUR FEE PAID/INITIALS/DATE

AQ Prior Learning Credits - CGMS Montessori Cert

04/07/2021