# MOTU MONTESSORI

Assignments

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Students select an area within the context of the assignment as listed and respond in any suitable way that meets the criteria as agreed by the tutor. Responses may include reports, videos, essays, poetry and so on. The level expected is for a stage 3 university student (last year of a Bachelors Degree). Full APA referencing will be needed where resources have been used. A pass will be offered when the standard is obtained, students may repeat submit as often as they like, within the calendar year (12 month) time frame

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| Title | Notes | Assignment 1 | Assignment 2 |
| Montessori Futures | Critically explore the Future of education, design a learning centre | Futures CONTEXTS may include - Te Ao Māori, New Zealand education, Global trends, the NEW Human, critical theory | Design your own school / centre; compare and contrast choices with contemporary practice |
| Montessori Environments | Materials and the Environment | Materials - 4 subjects, 10 materials in each AND oral exam | Prepared environment; Curriculum Delivery; characteristics of materials, 3 period lesson, friendliness with error; Student in space, time and identity |
| Montessori in Practice | Observations and preparation of the adult | Observations written up on 8 students (over 10 observations each); Including quiescence graphs one per day. | Prepared adult - spiritual preparation and transformation of the adult; Teaching practice insights (observe self); Teaching Metaphor; permission to intervene |
| Montessori Philosophy and Pedagogy | Montessori Biography and Psychology | Montessori biography - explore a theme that emerges from a study of the life of Montessori | Psychology - normalisation, sensitive periods, human needs, tendencies, planes of development, |
| Montessori Educational Theory | Contemporary New Zealand education and Montessori; Explore Social Justice and Independent Research | Explore Montessori and Social Justice - contexts might include Education for Peace, Cosmic Education, Ethics, Sustainability | Independent Research - any approved research topic that follows the researchers interest, eg - education system / pedagogy comparisons |