About the Department's SLD Module

The specific learning disorders module is a three-session professional learning experience that supports school staff to build their knowledge, understanding and use of effective strategies for students with specific learning disorders (SLDs).

Developed in collaboration with Dyslexia SPELD, this module incorporates best practice, evidence-based approaches to working with students with SLDs. The module can be accessed and delivered in a variety of contexts, such as school development days, network events or after school meetings.

The School of Special Educational Needs Disability (SSEND) also presents the module through a range of delivery modes, including live online and in-person.

This module is an excellent way to prepare your school to effectively support students with specific learning disorders at any phase of schooling.

What is covered in each session of the module?

Session one is entitled **What is a Specific Learning Disorder (SLD)?** Participants learn about the varying presentations, criteria and terminology of SLDs, and how these differ from learning difficulties. Participants also learn the role that cognitive processing plays in SLDs.

Session two is entitled **Three Specific Learning Disorders**. This session will support participants to develop an understanding of the defining features of reading, written expression and mathematics disorders, and introduce participants to the Response to Intervention (RTI) model.

Session three is entitled **Interventions and Accommodations for Students with SLDs**. This session explores the three waves of intervention within the RTI model. Participants will identify second and third wave interventions and identify accommodations for students with SLDs so that students can effectively access the curriculum.

To access the module for delivery by a school leader in your school go the [Access support for students with diverse learning needs](#) service on Ikon.

For more information on SSEND's delivery of the module go to [oneclassroom.wa.edu.au](#) and access *Professional Learning* from the home page.