

LDANZ teachers

Our teacher members have all successfully completed specialised training in the field of dyslexia/specific learning disabilities.

LDANZ does not offer courses to train new teachers. There are many authentic providers of specialist teacher training, especially ones that are IDA (International Dyslexia Association) recommended.

For people beginning the journey to train as a specialist teacher, LDANZ recommends:

1. Complete the Dyslexia Training Institute's 'What is Dyslexia? An In-depth Look'.

This is a 4 week online course which is offered 5 times a year (January, March, May, August, October) and costs US\$225

https://www.dyslexiatraininginstitute.org/classes_what-is-dyslexia.html

2. Complete the Dyslexia Training Institute's 'Overview of the Orton Gillingham Approach'.

This is a 4 week online course which is offered 5 times a year (February, April, July, September and November) and costs US\$330.

https://www.dyslexiatraininginstitute.org/class_overview-og.html

3. Work as a provisionally registered LDANZ teacher for up to 18 months under the guidance of an appointed mentor. There is a charge for this guidance of up to \$750; this can be paid in instalments as arranged with the mentor.

4. Before or during provisional registration, all LDANZ teachers are:

- i) to complete the Reading Rockets 101 course (9 modules and free)

<https://www.readingrockets.org/reading-101/reading-101-learning-modules/becoming-certified-literacy-teacher> .

- ii) to gain an understanding of how to work with students who have dysgraphia and/or dyscalculia

The Reading Rockets 101 course can lead on to attaining certification with IDA by taking The Knowledge and Practice Examination for Effective Reading Instruction, Level 1 (Structured Literacy Teacher), costing US\$230 to sit online.

<https://effectivereading.org/kpeeri-exam-disabled/>

Certification in other courses that offer training to work as Structured Literacy specialists, following the Science of Reading and the Science of Writing, will be considered for cross crediting.

LDANZ teacher registration

LDANZ teacher registration provides professional recognition, oversight, and collegiality for teachers working in the field of dyslexia/specific learning disabilities.