



Specialist Support and Technology - Screener Assessment

This document outlines a pathway for all students to access specialist support and technologies through the SpLD Team.

Step 1: Attending a SpLD Assessment Information Session

During this session the team will guide you through the assessment options available to students at the university. This session will help you to:

- Explore the characteristics of Specific Learning Differences (SpLD).
- Self assess whether you identify with any challenges.
- Examine the different assessment options available to you.
- Explain the support you can access through the team and other Catalyst Support Services.

We support all our students from first point of contact with the service.

If you would like to attend a SpLD Assessment Information Session or arrange a specialist study support session please contact the team on spld@edgehill.ac.uk

Step 2: Screening Assessment

If you decide to go forward with a Screening Assessment you will not need to make any contribution towards the cost of the assessment. The Screening Assessment does **not** provide a formal diagnosis of SpLD and you are not able to use this as evidence to apply for DSA.

The Screening Assessment enables the service to consider your challenges, communicate this to the department and provide access to support and technology.

- The appointment is with an approved assessor.
- The appointment will last around one hour.

The assessor will produce a report detailing your strengths and challenges that can be used to develop your study skills strategies. This will be sent to you and the team within two weeks of the appointment. The cost of the assessment is paid by the university.

Step 3: Next Steps Appointment

This appointment will focus on the results of the Screening Assessment. We will discuss support and technology that you may find useful.

- The appointment will take up to 1 hour.
- Any questions you have arising from the report will be addressed.
- In this appointment we will complete:
 - Student Support Plan (SSP).
 - Exam Modifications Request.
 - Learner Agreement Forms.
 - Assistive Technology provision.
 - Specialist study skills support award and review.

Step 4: Accessing support and using technology

You can arrange regular support as you need to access this by contacting the team via spld@edgehill.ac.uk and letting us know your availability.

- Your support will be reviewed on a regular basis and we will work together to develop your study skills strategies.
- If you need any advice around accessing or using Assistive Technologies available at the university please contact spld@edgehill.ac.uk.

Further information

Please contact the SpLD Support team who would be happy to answer any questions and provide advice and guidance.

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