

South Dakota and Beyond Cohort Presents: Serving Students with Sensory Disabilities and Complex Needs (Fall 2019)



Professional Development Opportunity

It can be difficult to find training, education and best practice strategies for students who have sensory disabilities and complex needs. We are pleased to offer a variety of online modules in collaboration with the National Center on Deaf-Blindness (NCDB) and the University of South Dakota (USD). They are bundled together to provide you with effective and meaningful strategies for your students!

A variety of continuing education options are available, including graduate and undergraduate credit!

Who should join us?

Special Education Teachers
Speech Language Therapists
Occupational Therapists
Teachers of the Visually
Impaired
Deaf/Hard of Hearing
Teachers
Para Educators/Intervenors
Interpreters
Parents
Administrators/Directors

Series 1: Introduction to Sensory Disabilities

The first four modules provide a solid foundation and understanding of Sensory Impairment (including those experienced by students with Deaf-Blindness and/or Complex Needs), and its impact on the brain and learning. Also, learn about the importance of developing trusting relationships and other helpful strategies to enhance learning. Although the information is geared toward Deaf-Blindness, much of it can be applied to students with severe disabilities/complex needs.

*This series is a prerequisite to the remaining series.

Exceptions may apply with approval.

Series 2: Communication Strategies

The foundation of this series is that All Students Communicate! Learn how to progress students from Emergent Communication through Symbolic.

Series 3: Instructional Strategies (A)

Routines, Concept Development, Active Learning & Calendars are all crucial in the learning and development of students with significant disabilities.

Series 4: Instructional Strategies (B)

Learn how to maximize your student's vision and hearing while helping them access the curriculum and environment. Also, get an introduction to Sign Language, Braille and behavioral supports.

*Series 1-3 are offered every semester (Fall, Spring & Summer)

Series 4-7 are offered on a rotating basis.



When?

September 16- December 16

[In-State Registration](#)

[Out-of-State Registration](#)

Register before **September 6th**