This course affords educators and health professionals training in identifying risk for literacy difficulties and intervention for individuals with Dyslexia.

The outcomes of the course are:

- Understand Dyslexia and the theories of causality;
- Understand “normal” literacy development and how the learner with Dyslexia differs;
- Identify reading difficulties and risk for Dyslexia;
- With mentoring, develop and facilitate an individualized, structured programme with one learner for a twenty hour intervention;
- Offer support to other members of staff to include learners with Dyslexia.

All materials and facilitation are online. Candidates are expected to dedicate 5 hours per week for the online activity over 33 weeks. In addition, two assignments, the assessment and intervention will form part of the candidate’s assessment portfolio. Mentoring is provided for the assessment and the intervention. A limited number of candidates will be trained to ensure maximum attention.

WHEN: March 2016 to November 2017

COSTS: R27 000 excluding course materials. The course fee includes the online materials, moderation of discussion, supervision and training on the RAVE-O literacy programme.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS: a relevant professional qualification and a minimum of three years educational or therapeutic experience. Students will need access to a broadband internet connection and software updated within the last three years.

REGISTRATION: is open and closes on 2 March 2016. Application forms and a full course outline are available on www.bellavista.org.za

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