
Disability awareness training for libraries

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The Open Rose Group comprises library staff involved in supporting users with disabilities at eight Yorkshire Universities.

The group won the SCONUL Award for Staff Development in 2003 and has produced a film plus supporting materials for use in libraries to assist staff training on disability issues.

This film is arranged into four main sections, each dedicated to a specific disability and focussing on a particular theme.

The contents are as follows:

- Introduction by Patrick Stewart
- Dyslexia - using the library
- Hearing - communication
- Mobility - access
- Vision - assistive technology

The students participating in the film are volunteers from Open Rose Group member institutions who each have one or more of these disabilities. They volunteered to talk about their experiences of using their library in relation to their disability.

Each section has a supporting pack comprising four staff development activities which can be used by groups or individuals to raise awareness among staff.

DVD and VHS versions will be available with supporting materials on a CD. The cost of the product is £40 including VAT and p&p.

If you wish to buy this product, please contact: Its.office@leedsmet.ac.uk or visit <http://www.lmu.ac.uk/lis/lss/> and click on 'Information for Disabled and Dyslexic users' to download an order form.

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