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## Succeeding with English Language Learners **MODULE TWO: Questioning and Assessment for Non-English Speaking Students**

For all five online modules, registration is accepted through August 1, 2020, and the workshop portals close August 30, 2020.

### Module 2: Questioning and Assessment for Non-English Speaking Students

Too often, teacher questions and assessment tools measure something other than the goals for which they were intended. Even the simplest question, if not phrased carefully, can prove incomprehensible to a student who otherwise understands the material being discussed. This session focuses on the role of teacher-language, practice and expectations and how these factors can impact second language learners in their classes. We will explore through the lens of non-English speakers the strategies and materials often used in the classroom. In the process, educators will be called upon to share their current learning goals, instructional practices and favorite tools in light of this new perspective.

#### After this session of the course, the participants will be able to:

- 🔥 Rework assessment tools currently used in their practice to ensure that the language used, as well as supporting visual contexts, are best suited to evaluate the importing thinking and learning of non-English speaking students.
- 🔥 Develop questioning strategies (such as extended wait time) and additional assessment tools that are crafted to be easily comprehended by non-English speaking students.
- 🔥 Identify non-verbal cues, visuals, and tasks that can help ELL students better demonstrate what they know and are able to do.
- 🔥 Develop ways to differentiate instruction for ELL students on the basis of formal and informal assessments.

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