

SUPPORTING YOUR STUDENTS TO NAVIGATE THE SQE



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CHALLENGES WITH THE SQE

It is without question that the SQE is a challenging examination process, as demonstrated by the national average pass rate of 56% in the 2024 SQE1 exam. The uncertainty surrounding pass rates and the prospect of deferring entrance to the firm for individuals who do not successfully navigate the new exam process has resulted in gaps in talent pipelines and disruptions to internal operations.

In addition, many firms have faced speculation and criticism for the level of support they are offering students undertaking the SQE, resulting in damage to the firm's reputation both from a recruitment and client perspective.

A Gap in Support

Despite the low pass rates and difficulties reported by students, only 37% of firms reported providing training to help students deal with the pressures of the SQE more effectively.

It is, however, likely that this percentage is lower, as when asked what training was offered, many firms referenced the SQE prep course. Although the prep course is designed to support exam success, few legal training providers delve into the mindset and skills needed to navigate an exam of this duration and intensity.

EXAM SUCCESS

In response to this support gap we have worked with early adopter firms to develop a professional development session designed to empower students with the skills and confidence necessary for SQE success.

Essential Skills to Navigate the SQE

Despite having a wealth of academic experience, for many the SQE has proved to be a daunting undertaking. You will leave this workshop with a better understanding of how to prepare for the SQE, navigate exam setbacks and remain composed in the face of extreme pressure.

This session will equip you with the skills to:

- Identify your learning style and strategise your study methods
- Cultivate effective stress management techniques for optimal performance
- Develop your confidence in undertaking the SQE
- Upgrade how you approach exam challenges and setbacks

SQE STUDENT FEEDBACK

The following quotes are from SQE students from a range of different sized law firms: who have recently received Leading Minds SQE Success training.

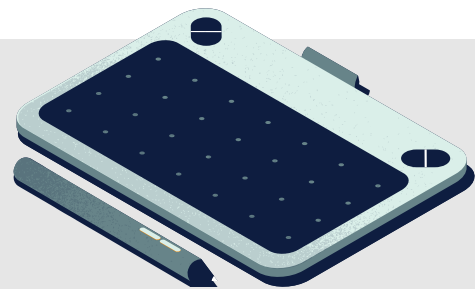


STUDY TECHNIQUES

- The session helped to better connect my objectives with practical techniques for tackling the SQE course/exams
- Section on study techniques is very useful. Discussion with peers helped me find new revision methods I want to try

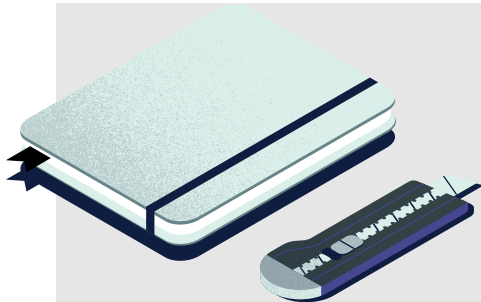
CALMING NERVES

- Really calming - I've had a lot of anxiety about the SQE this is a contributing factor to calming the nerves
- I feel more prepared and less overwhelmed about the SQE



BETTER PREPARATION

- It was great to be guided on how to set an efficient action plan
- I am coming out of the session with so much more knowledge than I had coming in



INCREASING CONFIDENCE

- Very informative and preps you to be open minded and see the SQE positively
- This session allowed me to gain confidence in myself and my support system

