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## Innovation in Disability

**The Disability Innovation Institute facilitates interdisciplinary disability research and educational pedagogy, driving innovations in accessible and inclusive practice and policy to produce sustainable change for disadvantaged communities.**

### Competitive advantage

- A world-first initiative that connects scholars, community, industry, services, government and practitioners, both nationally and internationally
- Unique, interdisciplinary perspective in partnership with people with disability, combining disability studies with Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) research and the Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences (HASS)

### Impact

- A world-first initiative that conducts whole of university interdisciplinary research to design accessible and inclusive working, living and learning environments; generate innovative technologies; and create inclusive law, policy, services and communities
- Successful applications
- Harnessing virtual reality games for disability awareness
- Achieving best outcomes for children with autism
- Data governance and the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)
- Disability employment and the Fourth Industrial Revolution
- Pathways to preventive care for people with a severe mental illness
- Mobile technology as a tool to increase social inclusion of people with intellectual disabilities

### Capabilities and resources

- A unique connection between scholars, the community, industry, services, government and practitioners to transform the lives of people with disability
- The scale and capacity to address the current global challenges to the participation and leadership of people with disability in all aspects of society
- Interdisciplinary research seminars and deliberative dialogues
- Seed funding for research teams to conduct innovative and inclusive research
- Access to over one-hundred leading researchers engaged in disability-related scholarship

### Our partners

- Government
- Industry
- People with disability and representative organisations

### More Information

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