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We make an immense contribution to the North West of Ireland economically, socially and culturally. We contribute in excess of €110 million annually to the region through consumer spending and other services.

Through our work with local business and industry we make an enormous contribution to the competitiveness of the region.

We currently have a €10 million capital building programme and have recently completed a state of the art student services building costing €2.4 million.

Our course portfolio comprises a broad base of undergraduate and postgraduate programmes on campus and by online and distance learning.

Our Innovation Centre and related support services for business and industry provide the catalyst for building entrepreneurial activity working with business start-ups, SMEs and multinational companies.

We work closely with Government agencies including IDA and enterprise Ireland to broker support for international and local businesses development.

We have established research and innovation partnerships with universities and colleges in Ireland, the UK, EU, Australia and the USA.

We have a diverse range of research strengths, with a track record of supporting wealth creation and enhancing quality of life. Through research and innovation, we support businesses to develop and grow.

Areas of research specialism include:

- Environmental science
- Sustainability
- Public health
- Design
- Carbon capture
- Beaufort Research
- Archaeology
- Robotics
- Cancer biology
- Geotechnics
- Social sciences

Our research informs our teaching and ensures that taught programmes are based on innovation and current practice. This in turn means that IT Sligo students have the best of effective and high quality coursework for the future.

Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire.

Tread softly because you tread on my dreams

Innovation Services For Business

A Gateway to Business Success, from origin to commercialisation.

Our approach to research and innovation at IT Sligo is geared to make it easy for business, industry and the wider community to get ideas across to the expertise and support they require.

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In addition to specialist staff, services and facilities include:

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- State-of-the-art research laboratory and prototyping equipment
- Business mentoring and training
- Business services

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