



Association for Higher Education Access and Disability (AHEAD)

Ireland

Case study overview

The Association for Higher Education Access and Disability (AHEAD) is an independent non-profit organisation promoting full access to and participation in further and higher education for students with disabilities and to enhance their employment prospects on graduation. The organisation is based in Ireland and undertakes a number of activities including:

- Providing information on disability issues in education to students and graduates with disabilities, teachers, guidance counsellors and parents. It has an extensive on-line set of resources for supporting students with disabilities.
- Working with graduates and employers through the GET AHEAD Graduate Forum and the WAM (Willing Able Mentoring) Mentored Work Placement Programme.
- Coordinating LINK, a worldwide network promoting the inclusion of students and graduates with disabilities in Higher Education.
- Running conferences, seminars, workshops and training events such as:



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- “Does one size fit all? Assistive Tech in the Learning Environment & the Workplace”, a one day training event held on the 10th February 2015 at Dell Ireland in Dublin, Ireland. The WAM Programme at AHEAD ran a free training event hosted by WAM Employer Dell Ireland.
- An annual conference. In 2015, the conference 2015 “UDL: A License to Learn” is held on the 19th and 20th March in Dublin, Ireland.

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