Inspiring Inclusive A strategic vision for the University of Toronto Scarborough Excellence

Our vision is to make the UTSC campus
the embodiment of inclusive excellence,
a bold community of conscientious and adaptable global leaders
who constructively disrupt the status quo,
connect the world, and
advance transformative change for the good of all.

iRISE institutes for Resilience & Inclusive Societies & Ecosystems

iRISE is dedicated to solving complex problems facing society.

iRISE Vision

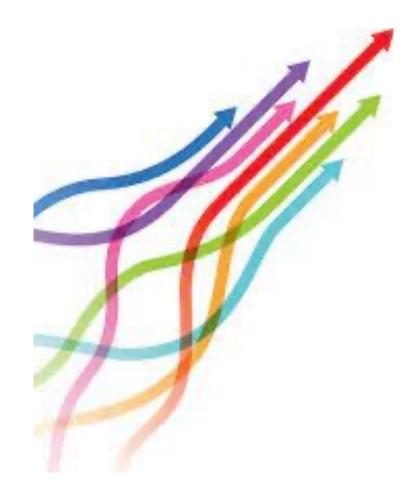
To establish U of T as a leading global centre of scholarship on convergence research conducted in pursuit of the goals of sustainable, resilient, inclusive, just, and equitable futures.

iRISE Mission

To support the pursuit of solutions to complex problems and to catalyze change by facilitating research discoveries, enabling innovators to move discoveries into action, inspiring communities and building their capacity to act, and training future leaders.

Convergence research is transdisciplinary research that shows deep integration across disciplines and is driven by a specific and compelling problem, whether that problem arises from deep scientific questions or pressing societal needs.

US National Science Foundation [NSF]







SDGs Scholars Academy

synthesis and catalyst grants

Establish transition pathways to achieve the SDGs

Explore tensions and synergies among the SDGs Measure progress towards achieving the SDGs Design instruments and interventions to rethink the SDGs





#3 IIHW: Institute for Inclusive Health and Wellbeing will explore the social, economic and environmental determinants of health of people living in the Anthropocene.



Shared goals

PRODUCE knowledge throughout the disciplinary spectrum.

CREATE spaces enabling convergence dialogues and encouraging the envisioning of alternative futures.

EMBRACE diverse epistemologies and methodologies of different disciplines to generate transformative solutions to problems.

BUILD sustainable collaborations and partnerships that engage diverse stakeholders to co-create knowledge infused with social concerns and values.

TRAIN scholars and leaders dedicated to creating inclusive, sustainable, and just and equitable societies.

TRANSFER and TRANSLATE knowledge into public policy and practice.

iRISE research programs:

- Visiting scholar/leader residencies.
- Visiting scholar/leader fellowships.
- Innovation tables and design studios.
- International workshops and symposia.
- Distinguished speaker series.

iRISE training programs:

- Credentials and certificates.
- Undergraduate, graduate, and postdoctoral research assistantships.
 - Entrepreneurial and experiential learning opportunities.
 - Summer camps for high school students.
 - Global design studios and hackathons.
 - Training in convergence research methods.

Sustainability:

2,000+ consultations

- 4 research directors
- 2 active central portfolios
- 3 campuses
- 6 active divisional partners
- 36 academic units with membership
- 97 volunteer internal members
- 50 volunteer external advisors

\$2,190,000 for the SDGs Scholars Academy

- \$1,500,000 for each of the research institutes
- **\$8,000,000** Canada Excellence Research Chair on sustainability transitions (pending)

Base funding plus:

- competitive research grants
- corporation funding
- donor and sponsorship funding
- fees for training programs/certifications
- fees for participating in design studios
- consultancy

We want to do things differently. We want to be inclusive. From discovery to impact.

