



## DISCOVER ANSWER

Advance inclusion for students with disabilities on Higher Education in Rwanda

### Be the change!

Join us in promoting inclusion and accessibility in Rwandan higher education.

Together, we can transform the system and empower students with disabilities.

Welcome to the world of ANSWER, a transformative project dedicated to bridging the gap between policy and implementation in Rwanda's higher education (HE) system. ANSWER stands for Advancing National Support for Widening Education Resources, and it aims to equip Rwandan HE stakeholders with the knowledge, skills, capacities, and technology needed to ensure inclusion, accessibility, and disability support.

#### The Challenge

##### Policy and Implementation

In Rwanda, there exists a suitable environment for inclusive education, but a top-down regulatory framework at the HE level has created the need for urgent bottom-up policy interventions. This is where ANSWER steps in, **modernizing human disability-inclusive abilities and strengthening organizational structures**. Together, we can lead the way towards **better inclusion and accessibility for Students With Disabilities (SWDs) in Rwanda**.



#### Our Mission

##### Enhancing Accessibility, Learning Conditions, and Policy Change

ANSWER's wider objective is to improve accessibility, ensure favorable learning conditions, and foster policy changes towards inclusivity for students with disabilities within the Rwandan higher education system. Through modern inclusion practices, comprehensive training, and strategic networking, we strive to create lasting impact and empower individuals with disabilities.

## Specific Objectives

### Creating an inclusive framework

ANSWER envisions a comprehensive inclusive framework through the creation and expansion of Support Centers dedicated to students with disabilities. By framing a national policy that outlines pathways for an inclusive higher education system, and equipping these centers with state-of-the-art assistive technologies, we enhance service provision for students with disabilities. Our goal is to ensure that no student is left behind.

### Empowering students with disabilities in the workforce

We firmly believe in equal job opportunities and access to the labor market for students with disabilities. With that in mind, ANSWER has devised an internship scheme underpinned by a policy on inclusion and success. By collaborating with employers, we aim to facilitate the transition of students with disabilities into the workforce, ensuring they have the necessary support and accommodations for a successful career.

## Sustainability and Ownership

ANSWER goes beyond short-term interventions. We empower our partners in Rwandan universities to become agents of change, advocating for real inclusion and diversity within the higher education system. Through engagement with employers, policymakers, and civil society organizations, our partners become enablers of economic growth and social development by tapping into the unexploited talent of Rwandan students with disabilities.

## Mainstreaming Disability: Technology as the Catalyst

ANSWER believes in the power of technology to multiply the impact of our capacity-building and awareness-raising actions for inclusion. By relying upon assistive technology and harnessing digital practices, we strive to mainstream disability within the entire Rwandan higher education system. Our approach ensures that everyone, regardless of ability, can benefit from the opportunities higher education offers.

## Join us on this transformative journey!

ANSWER invites you to be a part of this transformative journey towards a more inclusive Rwandan higher education system. By championing inclusion, accessibility, and disability support, we can unlock the untapped potential of students with disabilities, fostering a society where diversity is celebrated, and everyone can thrive.

Together, let's build a brighter, more inclusive future for all.



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