

Undergraduate Program Overview

BACHELOR OF ARCTIC AND SUBARCTIC INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES (BASIS)

The Labrador Campus of Memorial University is launching a **NEW** interdisciplinary undergraduate program in Fall 2024 that emphasizes place-based and Indigenous learning.

Learn more about this exciting opportunity to study and grow at the School of Arctic and Subarctic Studies at the Labrador Campus, situated on the beautiful homelands of the Innu and Inuit, in Happy Valley-Goose Bay, Labrador.

Program Structure

Northern-based, Northern-focused, Indigenous-led



12 SIX-WEEK INTERDISCIPLINARY MODULES + SELF-DIRECTED LEARNING

Module themes include:

- Peoples of What is Now Called Labrador
- Stories of the Circumpolar North
- Strengthening Indigenous & Northern Health, Healing, & Wellbeing
- Colonization & Reconciliation
- Resistance, Resilience, & Reclamation
- Arctic & Subarctic Ways of Knowing, Doing, & Being
- Relational Connections with Wildlife, Fish, & Plants
- Sustainable, Self-Determined Futures



LAND-BASED + EXPERIENTIAL + CLASSROOM-BASED COURSES



INTEGRATIVE + INTERACTIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS



Program Pathways

The BASIS program's accelerated, yet supportive and intuitive, learning structure means that most learners will finish their program in three years.

Learners may choose between the following pathways:

BASIS General Degree

The BASIS general degree pathway includes:

- 12 core BASIS modules (108 credit hours)
- Approved electives and professional development options (12 credit hours)
- A community-based and community-led **major project**, including applied research coursework.

BASIS Honours Degree

The Honours in BASIS provides the opportunity, over and above the requirements of the general BASIS degree, for learners to pursue a research-focused concentration at an advanced level in an approved area. This pathway includes:

- 12 core BASIS Modules (108 credit hours)
- Approved electives and professional development options (12 credit hours)
- A community-based and community-led **undergraduate thesis project**, including applied research coursework and a thesis presentation.

After Graduation...

The BASIS program emphasizes training in critical thinking, writing and communication, and decision-making.

As such, BASIS graduates will have diverse career path opportunities, particularly within Labrador and other Northern regions.

Potential career pathways:

- **Land-Based Opportunities:** protect and preserve lands, waters, cultural sites, and natural resources through conservation, resource management, outdoor education, and stewardship.
- **Environmental Sustainability and Innovation:** contribute to sustainable, equitable, and just futures for Northern peoples and environments.
- **Cultural Revitalization and Preservation:** honour and promote rich Northern and Indigenous histories, cultures, languages, and self-determination.
- **Media and Arts:** channel creativity into powerful storytelling and cultural expression.
- **Public Service:** shape and influence policies and programs that make a real difference in people's lives, in all levels of government.
- **Graduate Studies:** dive deeper into a diversity of departments and disciplines, including at the Labrador Campus in our *Arctic and Subarctic Futures* graduate program!

Admission Requirements

Applicants to the BASIS program must have a **high school diploma or equivalent**, with an average of 70% or higher.

Special accommodations may be considered based on professional and leadership contributions to Arctic and Subarctic regions.

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