COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The MAPS program partners with community organizations and the volunteer sector to contribute to their program development needs. All students participate in a semester-long project with a community partner in their senior year. Research topics are determined by the organizations’ needs but involve some aspect of program development or evaluation. These projects, completed pro bono, often leverage funding for organizations to continue their valuable work, while at the same time, provide practical experience for students under the mentorship of faculty. The program has now amassed a long list of organizations that have benefitted from our volunteer work.

CO-OPERATIVE EDUCATION

The MAPS program was among the first in Canada to offer a co-operative graduate degree in science. Our emphasis at Memorial is placed on translational science.

Students complete two semester-long work placements under the guidance of our co-op coordinator and faculty members associated with the program.

STUDENT SUCCESS

Over the past two decades, more than 125 students have graduated from the program.

The program is two-years in length, has enjoyed a 99% success rate, and 100% have completed on time.

GRADUATE EMPLOYMENT

Graduates occupy senior policy positions in the federal and provincial government, faculty and administrative positions at universities, and are partners in consulting firms. They collectively contribute to the strong movement toward accountability in social programs and policy decisions.

"the program has been an important source of student (co-op) employees for our company, and also our main source of entry-level consultants in that we hired several for continuing employment following their work terms." - Goss-Gilroy Consultants

ACCREDITATION

The program has been accredited since 2005. We are members of Co-operative Education and Work-Integrated Learning Canada (CEWIL Canada).
Students independently participate in the annual Canadian Evaluation Society National Case Competition.

In 2016, one of our teams placed first out of more than 20 university teams across Canada.

Teams have placed in the top 3 eight times in the last 18 competitions.

Students have won SSHRC fellowships, thesis awards, and speaking competitions.

Our Faculty are Recognized Mentors

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