

PhD-Community Initiative

PhD Students In and For the Community

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Civic Scholarship

Civic engagement

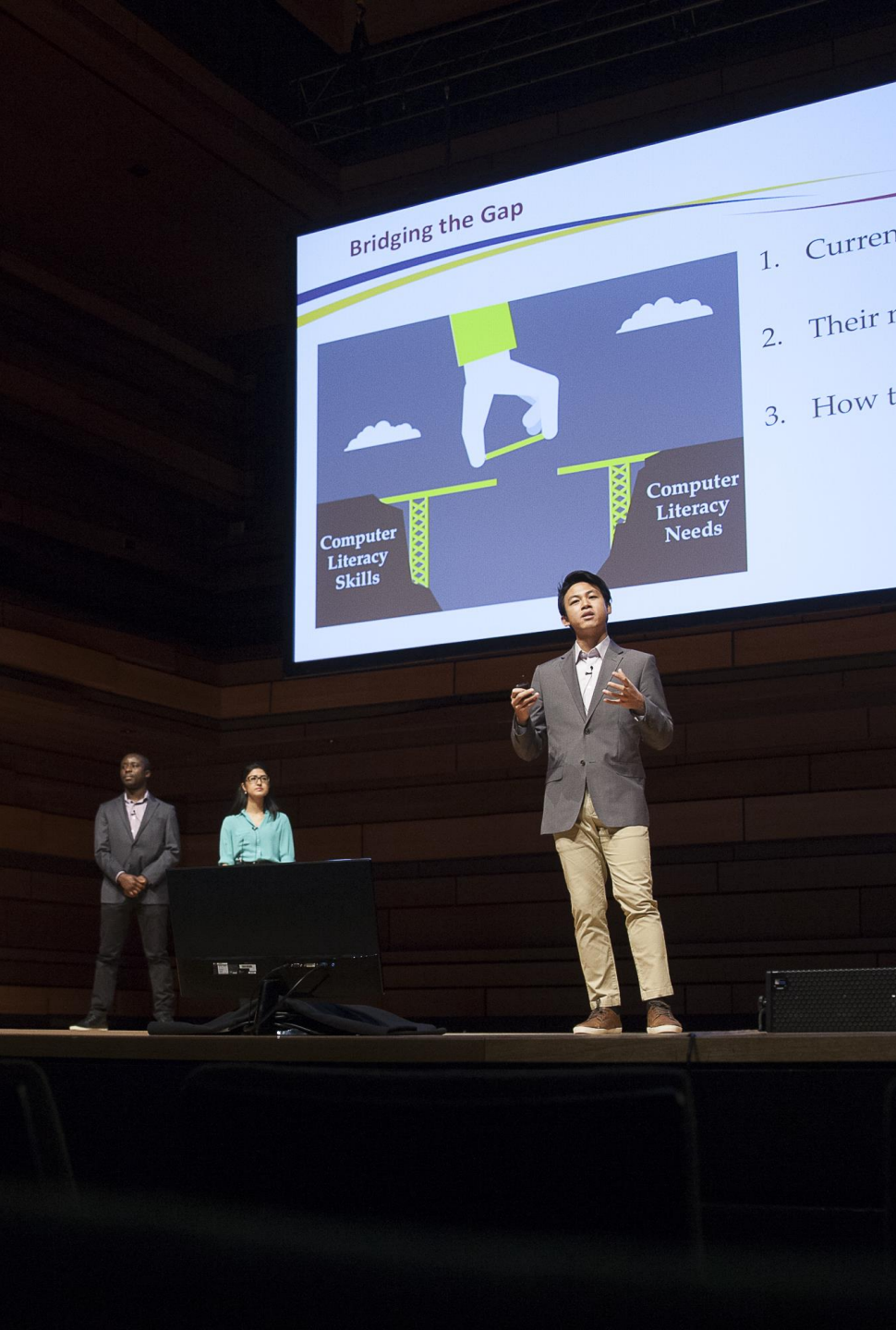
Social impact

Professional development

How it Works

- **Interdisciplinary teams partner with a community organization**
- **Work to address a challenge the organization faces**
 - Develop an action plan
 - Consult with the organization throughout
 - Work towards goals and deliverables
 - Present findings and provide final product
- **Workshops and progress meetings to enhance outcomes**
- **A mentor is assigned to each team**
- **Capstone event to showcase learning and contributions**





Community Impact

Bring new perspectives and scholarship to persistent community challenges

“They did some really important landmark data analysis and research for us that led us to additional research. They blazed the trail, and some of the people they connected us to were critical in our path forward.” (Community Partner)

Concrete products and beneficial solutions

“I’ve used [the research] in proposals for grants. I’ve used it for presentations to educate other service providers.” (Community Partner)

Supporting organizations with limited resources & valuing of PhD skills

“There’s a lot that the students bring to our organization... We might not have the resources internally, so this program provides us with the boost we need.” (Community Partner)



Key Outcomes for Students

- Learn from community to create real and meaningful impact
- Apply knowledge and skills to real-world problem of practice
- Develop career-related professional skills
- Respond to social issues facing our communities
- Learn to work within interdisciplinary scholarly teams

Our 2022-23 Partners & Projects



City of Kingston

- Local Early Learning & Child Care Needs Assessment
- Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) model for the corporation of the City of Kingston



KFL&A Public Health

- Support for Strategic Planning



Canadian Refugee Sponsorship Agreement Holders (SAH) Association

- Mapping Networks of SAH Support



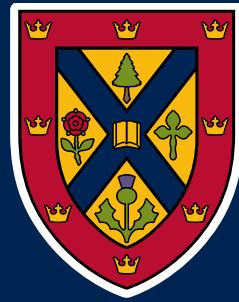
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- Measuring the Social and Economic Impact On Seniors



Bangladeshi-Canadian Community Services

- Understanding Impact, Increasing Community Engagement



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