

From Project Architect to Director of Portfolio Development

Already during his time as a student in the MAS MTEC programme, it was clear to Andreas Sokolowski that he would move back to Canada with his partner, where he had previously lived. Today, Andreas works in Toronto as a manager for a non-profit urban development organisation that creates spaces for creativity and transforms communities. This dream job allows him to utilise his knowledge of financial analysis, networked thinking, strategic approaches and constructive project management from a new perspective.

In order to aid my next career step, I chose the MAS MTEC programme. Before that, I spent five years working as an architect – but I wanted something different. My goal was to take on a managerial position that entailed greater responsibility and to conquer a new professional field beyond architecture.

And I succeeded – I now have an exciting management role that brings a constant supply of new challenges at a non-profit organisation whose goals I completely



identify with. To top it all off, it is in Canada. It was a dream to come back here. However, I wouldn't have reached my current position without completing the MAS MTEC programme. The management competencies I gained there were a crucial factor in the progress of my career. The MAS MTEC programme has given me all the skills I need to perform my job on a day-to-day basis.

Overall, the extensive training at D-MTEC helped me make huge strides both professionally and personally: I now hold a directorship position with a broad range of responsibilities at an inspiring organisation with an excellent reputation in Toronto. Furthermore, I enjoy a healthy work-life balance – something that is just as important to me as my professional success.



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Profile when starting the MAS MTEC programme:

-  5 years' work experience
-  MSc in Architecture, ETH Zurich