

Marilyn Taylor

Finalist

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Marilyn Taylor is an outstanding graduate student mentor. A Professor in the School of Leadership Studies at Royal Roads University, she has supervised both master's and doctoral students in a variety of professions, many of whom have become leaders in public, private enterprise, and academic settings. The majority of Dr. Taylor's graduate supervision emphasized the synthesis of theory and practice with mid-career students who are dedicated to improving the quality of organizational and community environments across Canada. To enhance the learning of these students, she has developed numerous graduate level courses and programs; she currently teaches and supervises candidates in Leadership Studies and the Doctor of Social Sciences program. "She has an in-depth understanding of values-based leadership," writes a former graduate student, "but also of the practical application of leadership in the business world."

Dr. Taylor's mentoring philosophy encourages, inspires, and supports students to reach their full potential in ways that are tailored to each individual. She excels at providing traditional immersion in graduate training, as well as career-relevant experiences that integrate intellect and practice. "Dr. Taylor's mentorship has allowed me to further my own professional development," reports a former student, "and to share these experiences with other graduate learners." She is known for the care, diligence, and support she provides for her graduate students, and is compassionate while maintaining high standards. Dr. Taylor possesses a well-developed ability to remove barriers to student success, whether they are personal or related to navigating issues that arise in the research process. "She created a safe space that brought the best out of me," writes a former graduate student. "She changed my life."



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