## Sabiha Zaman

Operations Manager and Alumni Engagement Lead, Master of Biomedical Technology Program Class of 2002

Sabiha Zaman selected her practicum/internship at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, U.S.A. in order to build a strong foundation for her career in research & development (R&D), patient experience and education. During her practicum, her passion for R&D was ignited and upon completion of the MBT program Sabiha pursued R&D at the University of Calgary focusing initially on cancer metastasis and fertility, before turning her interests to research in aging and skin pigmentation.

In 2009 Sabiha joined the MBT graduate program as an instructor where she has combined her interests in education, R&D and health innovation. In the MBT program Sabiha is involved in curriculum design and evaluation, industry/academic relations, MBT/alumni relations, laboratory management, student experience as well as course delivery. She takes pride in the success of the MBT graduates and being a part of their MBT journey. "I really enjoy mentoring students. It's amazing to see the students develop their ideas from discovery stage to commercialization over a short duration and pitch their realistic hypothetical companies with confidence at the end of the program". Sabiha's entrepreneurial nature led her to co-found a consulting company that specializes in business intelligence and analytics. She also conducts patient and community engagement research involving chronic health conditions. Sabiha received Professional Management accreditation from University of Calgary in 2019. In addition to the MBT program, Sabiha is an active member of the University of Calgary alumni community.

Sabiha credits the MBT program for the key skills she acquired in company formation, ideation to execution, business valuation and for opening academic and business opportunities. The MBT program equipped Sabiha with the building blocks in project management, industry/academia relations and graduate education which fostered her enthusiasm for life-long learning, health technology and global health.