Dear PhD, Postdoctoral, MD, and JD students,

I hope you are having a productive semester! As a graduate student, it was about this time of year that I found myself thinking about what life after my grad degree might look like.

My name is Raminder Gill and I am a McGill graduate (PhD - Pharmacology, 2015) and a Project Leader with BCG. Since I recently made the transition from academia to consulting, I’d like to share my experience and answer some common questions that advanced degree candidates (PhDs, MDs, or LLBs) have about consulting and BCG in particular.

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We look forward to helping you along the recruiting path towards BCG. Please contact **Mathilde Bertin,** Recruiting Associate, with any questions atBertin.Mathilde@bcg.com.

Kind regards,

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on behalf of the Canada ADC Recruiting Team