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George Karaphillis is Associate Dean of the Shannon School of Business and Director of the MBA in Community Economic Development (CED) program, Cape Breton University (CBU). He is also an Associate Professor in the Shannon School of Business and has taught IT strategy, investment management, and small business management.

George has participated in educational and research partnerships, collaborating on applied research projects that have a focus on economic development and involve students and community partners. He has led an economic impact study of hiking trails in Cape Breton and has recently completed a research project on the financing of the social economy in Atlantic Canada, funded by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC). This year George is collaborating on a study of the challenges and impact of the Social Enterprise sector in the Province of Nova Scotia, sponsored by the Nova Scotia Department of Rural and Economic Development.

As Director of CBU's CED Institute, George has organized community learning sessions and conferences that attracted community, government, and academic participants. George serves on boards of local organizations, including BCA Investment Co-Operative, Laurentian Energy Corporation, and Business Alliance for Local Living Economies-Nova Scotia (BALLE NS).