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# 1 Regulations

You must inform yourself of University rules and regulations and keep abreast of any changes that may occur. The *Regulations* section of this publication contains important details required by you during your studies at McGill and should be periodically consulted, along with other sections and related publications.

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## 1.1 Authorization, Acknowledgment, and Consent

When applying for admission to the University, you are bound by and agree to observe all statutes, rules, regulations, and policies at McGill University and the faculty or faculties to which you may be accepted and registered in, including policies contained in the University calendars and related fee documents. Your obligation as a student begins with your registration and ends in accordance with the University's statutes, rules, regulations, and policies.

You should verify all information or statements provided with your application. Incorrect or false information may jeopardize your admission. The University reserves the right to revoke an admission that is granted based on incorrect or false information in an application or supporting documents.

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## 1.2 Categories of Students

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### 1.2.1 Full-Time Students

Full-time students are students with a registration status of full-time and paying full-time fees. Full-time non-thesis master's, diploma, and certificate candidates must show a minimum of 12 credits per term on their record.

### 1.2.2 Half-Time Students (Thesis Programs)

In some departments, students are permitted to proceed toward a degree on a half-time basis, i.e., students are permitted to register half-time instead of full-time during sessions of residence.

It is expected that half-time students will spend 50% of their time in the department participating in coursework, seminars, discussions, etc., with staff and full-time students. Half-time students are reminded that they must complete the degree within the time limitation imposed by Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, and that if they choose to be half-time they must:

- be so for an even number of half-time terms (i.e., two half-time terms equal one full-time term); and
- fulfil the minimum residence requirement in their program.

### 1.2.3 Part-Time Students

Certain degree programs can be followed on a part-time basis (e.g., M.Ed., M.Eng. Non-Thesis op35 Tmat if the

In doctoral programs, students must be registered on a full-time basis for one more year after completion of the residency (i.e., Ph.D. 4 year) before continuing as Additional Session students until completion of the program. It is expected that, at this stage, all the coursework and comprehensive examinations will have been completed and students will be engaged in thesis preparation.

Graduate students in non-thesis programs, graduate diplomas and certificates who have registered for all required courses but have not completed the work and/or have completed the residency requirements must register as Non-Thesis Extension students and pay fees accordingly. For example, a student who has registered for a last course such as a project but has not completed it, must register as Non-Thesis Extension status until graduation. Students in a Non-Thesis Extension session who are not registered for at least 12 credits per term, are not considered engaged in full-time studies.

### 1.2.5 Thesis Evaluation Students

Students who have completed the residency requirements for their graduate thesis program and who have submitted their initial thesis to Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies by the April 15, August 15, or December 15 initial thesis submission deadlines must register on *Minerva* in order for their registration status to be updated to "Thesis Evaluation". All students are required to stay registered and pay the associated fees up until the term of graduation. The registration status will be updated to "Thesis Evaluation" for all subsequent terms until the term of the final thesis submission. Students in thesis programs whose initial thesis and final thesis submissions are in the same term will not require a "Thesis Evaluation" status.

"Thesis Evaluation" students are considered to be:

- registered at the University in a full-time status;
- eligible for University services;
- eligible for funding;
- eligible for a T2202 tax slip crediting the months for which they are registered and any ancillary fees charged.

Students in "Thesis Evaluation" status are not permitted to register for courses. Students who still need to take courses to fulfill the program requirements after submitting their initial thesis will remain registered in additional session status and pay associated fees.

### 1.2.6 Qualifying Students

Students admitted to a Qualifying program are known as .751 Tm(1.2.6)Tj/ admitted to a Qualify1L.751 Tm(1.2.6)TAmh,1 admittelfil1m(1.2.6)Tj/s.041 Tm(The)T3ent

- the student is engaged in collaborative projects between professor(s) at McGill and the student's sponsoring institution;
- the student wishes to take advantage of specific expertise, academic resources, or technical capabilities at McGill to enhance the thesis research being conducted at the sponsoring institution;
- the student is spending a stage at McGill under a specific Memorandum of Understanding between McGill and the sponsoring institution;
- the student's thesis supervisor has relocated to McGill, but the student remains registered at the former institution to complete their graduate de

If you want to take advantage of this agreement, consult your Student Affairs Office for details. Note that this agreement is subject to the following conditions:

- The Quebec universities concerned may, at their discretion, refuse the registration of a student for any of their courses.
- You must complete your faculty and program requirements.
- You are responsible for ensuring that the McGill Class Schedule permits you to take these courses without conflict.
- The Quebec universities concerned are not responsible for special arrangements in cases of examination or class schedule conflicts.
- Grades earned at the host university will not be included in your McGill grade point averages (GPA) or show on your McGill transcripts.
- If you are attending McGill as an Exchange student from outside Quebec, you are not eligible to take courses at another Quebec institution through the IUT agreement.
- Any grades received late from host universities may delay your graduation.

If you are a scholarship holder, you should consult with your Student Affairs Office and the scholarships coordinator concerning your eligibility for continuation or renewal of your award(s).

You must initiate an online Quebec Inter-University Transfer (IUT) application to request the required authorizations at [mcgill.ca/students/iut](http://mcgill.ca/students/iut). You may also find additional information posted on your faculty website.



**Note:** Once the Quebec Inter-University Transfer (IUT) application is approved by both the home and host universities, you must register in the approved course. The method of registration of the host university will vary (e.g., web, in-person, phone, etc.). **You must allow sufficient time to complete and submit your electronic application, because you are responsible for adhering to all of the host university's registration deadlines.** If you decide later to drop or withdraw from the approved course(s), you will need to drop or withdraw from the course using the host university's registration method **and** submit this change on the online Quebec Inter-University Transfer (IUT) application.

The host institution will automatically submit your grades to McGill for any completed courses.

**Note for the Faculties of Arts and Science (including B.A. & Sc.):** If you participate in any type of study away or exchange (including Quebec Inter



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## 1.3 Registration

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### 1.3.1 Registration for Fall and Winter Terms (Including Additional Session and Non-Thesis Extension Students)

All returning and new graduate students must register online at [mcgill.ca/minerva](http://mcgill.ca/minerva). It is your responsibility to obtain departmental approval before registering on Minerva.

Courses may be added until the end of the course change period without penalty.

**Returning Students:**

Returning students register via [Minerva](http://mcgill.ca/minerva) between May 29, 2024 and August 14, 2024.

**Newly-Admitted Students:**

New students entering in **September 2024** register via [Minerva](http://mcgill.ca/minerva) between July 2, 2024 and August 14, 2024.

New students entering in **January 2025**

Non-credit general interest or language courses cannot be added directly by you. You may register for these courses in person at the SCS [Client Services Desk](#), where the course(s) will be added to their record as “**Extra**” to their program and course fees will be charged.

### 1.3.6 Courses Taken as Extra to a Program

Courses that you choose to take outside your program may be classified as "extra" provided that you choose this option at the time of registration. The course will be designated as "extra" ("RX" at the time of registration, and "E" once the course is graded) on your transcript, and the grade earned in that course will not be included in your grade point average (GPA) calculation. This option cannot be added to your record after the course change add/drop deadline. With the exception of those who are eligible for a Graphos tuition sponsorship (see below), you will be responsible for any tuition fees associated with an "extra" course.

#### 1.3.6.1 Graphos Scholarly Communication Courses

The McGill Writing Centre ([mcgill.ca/mwc](http://mcgill.ca/mwc)) of





**Note for Health Sciences:** Withdrawal (W) deadline dates are listed at [mcgill.ca/importantdates](https://mcgill.ca/importantdates). The health profession programs described in this eCalendar are highly structured and students should consult their advisor or Student Affairs Office to determine what course changes, if any, are allowed.

1. To withdraw from required or complementary courses after the withdrawal (without refund) deadline, you may need to obtain permission from your advisor, and you must fill out and submit a course withdraw

Class schedule information is subject to change and is updated as courses are added, cancelled, rescheduled, or relocated. It is your responsibility to consult the class schedule at the time of registration, and again before classes begin, to ensure that changes in the schedule have not caused conflicts in your schedule.

Once you have selected some courses from the class schedule, try *Visual Schedule Builder* (VSB) to view your possible class schedules in an easy-to-read weekly schedule format. Please note that you cannot use Visual Schedule Builder to register but you can copy your choice of course reference numbers (CRNs) from VSB to have handy for registration in Minerva.

Please note that the last day of classes in a term varies according to a course's schedule pattern (e.g., Mon-Wed-Fri, Tues-Thurs, Monday only, etc.). You may verify these details at [mcgill.ca/importantdates/key-dates](http://mcgill.ca/importantdates/key-dates).



**Note for Health Sciences:** For information, you should refer to your Faculty/School section in this publication.



**Note for Medicine:** This section is not applicable to M.D.,C.M. students; see [mcgill.ca/ugme](http://mcgill.ca/ugme).

#### 1.4.2 Course Numbering

Each McGill course is assigned a unique seven-character course “number”.

**The first four characters** (subject code) refer to the unit offering the course.

These codes were implemented in September 2002, replacing the three-number teaching unit codes previously used. A complete list of teaching unit codes and their subject code equivalents can be found at [mcgill.ca/student-records/transcripts/key](http://mcgill.ca/student-records/transcripts/key)

**Corequisite:** Course A is corequisite to course B if course A must be taken concurrently with (or may have been taken prior to) course B.

**Credits:** The credit weight of each course is indicated in parentheses beside the course title. For D1 and D2 courses, the credit weight is indicated after the course number. For further information, refer to the [Credit System](#) page from the Undergraduate Regulations and Resources.

#### 1.4.4.1 Course Nomenclature in Program Descriptions

**Required Courses:** Mandatory courses that must be completed to fulfil the requirements of a program (e.g., major, minor, etc. at the undergraduate level or specific courses at the graduate level), unless the student receives exemptions. Students have no choices among required courses.

**Complementary Courses:**

- Deadline for university withdrawal with refund (minus \$200 for returning students and the registration deposit for new students): **Tuesday, September 17, 2024**
- Deadline for university withdrawal without refund: **Tuesday, October 29, 2024**

#### 1.5.2.2 Winter Term

From January 1 to January 14, 2025, a *drop* of all courses constitutes a university withdrawal with refund (minus \$200 for returning students and the registration deposit for new students). After January 14 and until the deadlines indicated below, you may *withdraw* from all courses to effect a university withdrawal.

- Deadline for university withdrawal with refund (minus \$200 for returning students and the registration deposit for new students): **Tuesday, January 21, 2025**
- Deadline for university withdrawal without refund: **Tuesday, February 25, 2025**



**Note:** The deadline to withdraw from a multi-term (spanned; D1/D2) course with partial refund is the Winter **add/drop** deadline.



**Note for the Faculty of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences:** If you wish to withdraw after the deadlines indicated above, please contact the Faculty Advisor in the Student Affairs Office for further information.



**Note for the Faculties of Arts and Science (including B.A. & Sc.):** If you want to withdraw after the deadlines indicated above, under exceptional circumstances you may be granted permission for university withdrawal. Requests are made through [Service Point](#). However, it is important that you also consult a Faculty advisor to talk about your options and the effects that your request may have on your studies. For more information, see [mcgill.ca/students/advising](http://mcgill.ca/students/advising).



**Note for the Faculties of Education, Management, and Music:** If you want to withdraw after the deadlines indicated above, under exceptional circumstances you may be granted permission for university withdrawal. You should contact your Student Affairs Office ([mcgill.ca/students/advising/advisordirectory](http://mcgill.ca/students/advising/advisordirectory)) for further information.



**Note for the Faculty of Law:** In addition to the above procedures, it is important that you contact the Student Affairs Office to discuss your options and the effects that your request may have on your studies.



**Note for Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies:** A university withdrawal Request form is required by the withdrawal deadlines and is available at [mcgill.ca/student-records/forms](http://mcgill.ca/student-records/forms). Students who do not register in a given term will be withdrawn as of September 1 (Fall term), January 1 (Winter term), or May 1 (Summer Term).



**Note for Health Sciences:** For information on readmission procedures, you should refer to your Faculty/School section in this publication.

#### 1.5.3 Consequences of University Withdrawal

Any applicable fee refunds for the term of withdrawal will be according to [section 8.8: Fees and Withdrawal from the University](#).

Once you withdraw, you must return your ID card to the University as stated in [section 1.11.1: Identification \(ID\) Cards](#).

If you withdraw from the University in the Fall term, you are withdrawn from the entire academic year; i.e., Fall and Winter terms. If you plan on returning for the Winter term, you must follow the procedures for readmission.



**Note:** If you withdraw from the University and want to re-register in a later term, you must follow the procedures for readmission, except if you are in the following faculties (in which case you must contact your Student Affairs Office): Music, and Agricultural and Environmental Sciences. See the [Readmission](#) page.

**Note for the Faculty of Law**

Students in thesis programs, who pay fees on a per term basis and who have already paid full-time tuition fees during the preceding year are not required to pay for required courses taken in the summer. If you are registered in a thesis program in Additional Session status, you will be charged Additional Session fees in the Summer term. Students in non-thesis programs will be charged fees for courses taken in the summer. **Registration for “summer studies” should not be confused with summer term of residency in a graduate program. For more information, see [section 1.3.3: Summer Registration](#) .**

Many summer courses have limited enrolment and students are advised to register early. Graduate students intending to register for restricted undergraduate courses must complete a *Request for Registration/Course Changes* web form available at [mcgill.ca/student-records/forms](http://mcgill.ca/student-records/forms), and the course will be added by Enrolment Services if there is space available.

Please consult the Class Schedule for specific information on course dates and times, available at [mcgill.ca/students/courses](http://mcgill.ca/students/courses).

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## 1.7 Program Requirements

### 1.7.1 Master's Degrees

#### **Residency Requirements – Master's Degrees**

Refers to the period of time, measured in terms or years, necessary for the completion of the program. You are **not** permitted to graduate until you have





All substitutions for coursework in graduate programs, diplomas, and certificates must be approved by the Graduate Program Department Director before registration. Double counting of courses is not permitted.

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## 1.8 Student Records

You are responsible for verifying your student records and progress throughout your academic career. The following sections describe a few useful tools to help you stay on track.

### 1.8.1 Grading and Grade Point Averages (GPA)

#### Classification of Grades:

Courses can be graded either by letter grades or in percentages, but the official grade in each course is the letter grade. Where appropriate, a class average appears on transcripts expressed as the letter grade most representative of the class performance.



**Note for Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies:** Class averages do not appear on transcripts for graduate courses. In the Faculty of Engineering, letter grades are assigned according to the grading scheme adopted by the professor in charge of a particular course.

Since Fall 2002, the University has only used letter grades on transcripts and verification forms.

Grades A through B- represent satisfactory passes, and F a failure. Certain courses have been approved for Pass/Fail (P/F) grading. Students must obtain grades of B- or better in courses used to fulfil program requirements.

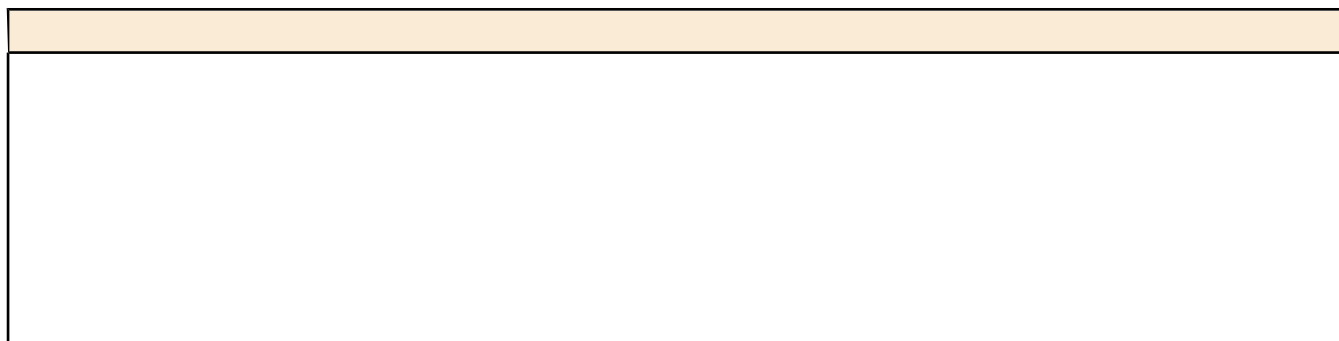


#### Policy on Pass/Fail Grading:

For a course to be graded P/F, a proposal must be approved by the Program Director, approved by the Faculty Curriculum Committee, and approved by the Sub-Committee on Teaching and Programs (SCTP). Courses that are approved to be graded P/F must indicate this in the course syllabus. Pass/Fail grading applies to all students in a course section and cannot be selectively added to individual students.

Grades of Pass are not included in the GPA calculation and as such are not normally applied to required courses. P/F courses are not included in GPA calculations but are included in the count of completed credits for determining eligibility for scholarships and awards.

Please refer to the Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory option for information on that grading option for students.



### Other Course Grades:

**IP — in progress;** (Master's Thesis Courses Only)

**P — pass;** Pass/Fail grading is restricted to certain seminars, examinations and projects only. In such cases all grades in these courses are recorded as either Pass or Fail. Not calculated in TGPA or CGPA.

**HH — to be continued;** the use of this grade is reserved for major research projects, monographs and comprehensive examinations as designated for graduate studies.

**J — unexcused absence (failed);** the student is registered for a course but does not write the final examination or do other required work; calculated as a failure in the TGPA and CGPA.

**K — incomplete;** deadline extended for submission of work in a course or for the completion of a program requirement such as a Ph.D. language examination (maximum four months). (*Signed K contract required*)

**KF — incomplete/failed;** failed to meet the extended deadline for submission of work in a course or for the completion of a program requirement; calculated as a failure in TGPA and CGPA.

**KK — completion requirement waived.** Not calculated in TGPA or CGPA. This is used in exceptional cases only, with the approval of the Assistant Registrar, Records. Not calculated in TGPA or CGPA.

**KE or K\* — further extension** granted with the approval of the Assistant Registrar, Records (maximum two years). (*Signed K contract required*)

**L — deferred;** for students whose final examinations or papers have been deferred,56Kf5eptional ca564 Tm(TGP) the

You must request option 2 by the faculty deadlines as indicated in [Final Examinations: Deferred Exams](#).

You must request option 3 by the faculty deadlines as indicated at [mcgill.ca/exams](http://mcgill.ca/exams).

If you wish to appeal a J grade, you should write to your Associate Dean or Director.



**Note for the Faculties of Arts and Science (including B.A. & Sc.):** Requests are made at [Service Point](#) (3415 McTavish Street). However, it is important that you also meet with a Faculty advisor in [Arts OASIS](#) or [SOUSA](#) to talk about your options and the effects that your request may have on your studies. For more information, see [mcgill.ca/students/advising](http://mcgill.ca/students/advising).



**Note for Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies:** Only options 2 and 3 above are applicable to graduate students. Students wishing to appeal a J grade should write to the [Associate Dean of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies](#).

## 1.8.2 Transcript of Academic Record

The proceeding sections contain information on transcripts and other details regarding academic records.

### 1.8.2.1 Policy Concerning Access to Records

The University sends statements of account and all other correspondence directly to students. You retain full control over who has access to your records or accounts; however, officers and members of the University staff also have access to relevant parts of your records for recognized and legitimate use. The University does not send progress reports or any other information to your parents and/or sponsors unless you specifically request it in writing.

Personal information is protected in the Province of Quebec by the Act Respecting Access to Documents Held by Public Bodies and the Protection of Personal Information (the “Access Act”). The Access Act provides that McGill University can only release personal information contained in your file with your authorization or if specifically authorized by law.

For the purpose of consent and acknowledgement at the time of application, personal information includes, but is not limited to: name, address, telephone number, email address, date of birth, citizenship, McGill ID, program, student status, and academic record information.

Registered students may oppose the release of certain personal information by completing an [Opposition Form](#).

After having reviewed the information relating to access to personal information at the time of application, you will be asked to agree that the University may collect, use, disclose, or otherwise manage your personal information as described below, as necessary and as the case may be.

At the time of application, you will be asked to **consent to the release of personal information** contained in your admissions or student records file to the following persons or bodies, as necessary to each body, in the exercise of their mission:

- student associations recognized by McGill University for the categories of student to which you belong (limited to your contact and program information);
- schools or colleges that you have attended;
- a professional body or corporation, where relevant;
- the *Ministère de l'Immigration, de la Francisation et de l'Intégration* and/or the *Régie de l'assurance maladie du Québec*; Immigration, Refugees, and Citizenship Canada; and/or the *Ministère de l'Éducation et de l'Enseignement supérieur*;
- Universities Canada, the Association of Registrars of the Universities and Colleges of Canada, and the BCI (*Bureau de coopération interuniversitaire*, previously known as CREPUQ), or the member institutions of these organizations, for the purpose of admissions operations and the production of statistics;
- libraries of other Quebec universities with which McGill has established reciprocal borrowing agreements;
- the appropriate authorities involved with external or internal funding of your fees (financial records may also be disclosed to such authorities);
- students and alumni of the University who have volunteered to speak with students for the purpose of facilitating their integration into the University;
- other universities and colleges, at the discretion of the University, if any information connected to your application is determined to be false and misleading, concealed or withheld, or contains evidence of academic dishonesty or inappropriate conduct;
- regulatory authorities, law enforcement or other persons, as authorized or required by law; and
- McGill Network and Communications Services for the purpose of listing your McGill email address in an online email directory.

In addition to the above, **if you are a candidate for admission to Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, you will be asked to authorize the University to** request letters of reference on your behalf from referees you have identified, with the understanding that each referee would be provided with information indicating that you have applied to be admitted to McGill University, including your name, the McGill program you have applied to, the academic term when you wish to begin your studies at McGill, and your statement describing how the referee knows you.

In addition to the above, **if you are a candidate for admission to the Faculty of Law, you will be asked to consent to** the release of personal information to the Committee for Law Admissions Statistics Services and Innovations (CLASSI) and the Native Law Centre Summer Program at the Native Law Centre, University of Saskatchewan.

In addition to the above, **if you are a candidate for admission to the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences or to the Faculty of Dental Medicine and Oral Health Sciences in undergraduate, graduate, or postgraduate studies, you will be asked to consent to** the release of personal information to other schools of medicine; to Employment and Social Development Canada; to the *Ministère du Travail, de l'Emploi et de la Solidarité sociale* of Quebec; to a McGill professor, researcher or graduate student, strictly for research or teaching purposes; and to a University teaching/affiliated hospital or health centre to which you apply/or join for residency or rotations.

In addition to the above, **if you are a candidate for admission to the Schulich School of Music, you will be asked to consent to** the use of your name and images in public recognition of academic achievement and in the advertising and audio and video recording of student ensemble concerts for distribution using different media and formats.

At the time of application, you will be asked to **authorize the University** to:

- collect and maintain your personal information for the purpose of administering your University admissions and student record files;
- obtain copies of your transcripts from the *Ministère de l'Éducation et de l'Enseignement supérieur*; the Ontario Universities' Application Centre; and/or the British Columbia Ministry of Education;
- make inquiries to and obtain personal information from the *Ministère de l'Immigration, de la Francisation et de l'Intégration*; Immigration, Refugees

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**Note for Medicine, Dentistry, and Nursing:** The Degree Evaluation tool is not used in the Faculties of Medicine and Health Sciences, Dental Medicine and Oral Health Sciences, and the Ingram School of Nursing.

#### 1.8.4 Changes to Student Records after Normal Deadlines

##### 1.8.4.1 Student Record Changes

Student record changes include the following: course add or course drop, course withdrawal, university withdrawal, program change (including changing

### 1.9.2 Thesis Submission (Initial and Final Thesis Submission)

Theses may be submitted at any time during the year. However, for each of the three annual dates for conferring degrees/convocation, there are *deadlines* for initial submission (when the thesis is sent out to examiners for evaluation) and for the final thesis submission: April 15, August 15, and December 15. Please note that some units enforce earlier submission deadlines than those listed by Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, so it is important that students verify these dates with their unit.

A thesis is a public document and once the final thesis has been submitted for the degree, it exists in the public domain in the eScholarship database. To temporarily withhold (embargo) a thesis, please consult the [GPS website](#).

### 1.9.3 Master's Thesis Examiner

For a master's thesis, the examiner must be a scholar of established reputation and competence in the field of the thesis research. The examiner may be from inside or outside the University. Units may nominate a member from within the unit, as long as there is no conflict of interest with the student.

### 1.9.4 Doctoral Thesis External Examiner

The doctoral external examiner must be a scholar of established reputation and competence in the field of the thesis research. They must be from outside the University and must hold a doctorate or equivalent. The external examiner must be at arm's length from the candidate and have no other conflict of interest.

### 1.9.5 Doctoral Thesis Internal Examiner

The doctoral internal examiner is expected to be knowledgeable in the area and topic of the thesis, though not necessarily to the same extent as the external examiner. The internal examiner also ensures that the written thesis meets the standards of McGill University. Normally, the internal examiner is a McGill faculty member (but not the supervisor) affiliated with the student's Unit, but they may also be nominated from other units at McGill.

### 1.9.6 Conflict of Interest

A nominated examiner must be without conflict of interest to evaluate the thesis. A conflict of interest can be perceived to prejudice the examiner's evaluation of the thesis. Any contact with examiners by the supervisor or student after the nomination process constitutes a conflict of interest and the examination process will be cancelled.

### 1.9.7 Thesis Examination

If one or both examiners determine that the thesis does not meet the requirements for the degree (i.e., an outcome of not passed is designated on the examination report) the student has the ol



## **PASSED**

- If the committee feels that the thesis and the responses to questions raised in the defence meet appropriate academic standards for the granting of the Ph.D. degree, the student will be judged to have passed the defence.
- If the committee determines that minor revisions (i.e., stylistic or editorial changes) are necessary for the thesis to fulfill the academic standards necessary for partial fulfilment of the Ph.D. degree, the Pro-Dean must delegate one member of the committee, usually the supervisor, to ensure that the student carries out the required changes.

## **NOT PASSED**

If the committee determines that the thesis or oral defence does not meet appropriate academic standards for the Ph.D. degree and would require, for example, major revisions to the text and/or additional study, it must then decide between the following three "Not Passed" outcomes:

- **Thesis not passed:** The oral defence is satisfactory but the *thesis* does not meet Ph.D. degree standards. If this is the first "Not Passed" outcome, the student is allowed to submit a revised version of the thesis within six (6) months to the oral defence committee who will then evaluate the revised thesis







**Note for Continuing Studies:** Requests for such changes must be made by presenting official documents (see [Legal Name and Legal Sex Designation](#)) in person at the [Client Services Office](#), School of Continuing Studies.

#### 1.11.5 Updating Personal Information

It is important to k



## Quebec and Canadian Out-of-Province Students

You have applied to McGill directly from CEGEP or you already have a student record at McGill

- **Usually** no documents are required to prove your Canadian and/or Quebec status. In most cases, your status is confirmed to us by the Government of Quebec or is already in your McGill record. Check your [Minerva](#) account to verify that your status is updated correctly (Select *Student Menu* > *Student Accounts Menu* > *View your Tuition and Legal Status*)

You have applied to McGill from another Quebec university

- Proof of Canadian status is required: Canadian birth certificate; or Canadian citizenship card or certificate (both sides); or Certificate of Indian status card; or Makivik Society card; or valid Canadian



**Note 4:** Usually McGill needs your birth certificate to prove your place of birth in Quebec. If you already have a valid Quebec Permanent Code, McGill will accept a copy of your valid Canadian passport that indicates your birthplace as being within the province of Quebec as proof that you are eligible for Quebec residency.



**Note 5:** You can find links to download and print the Permanent Code Data and Attestation of Quebec Residency forms at [mcgill.ca/legaldocuments/forms](http://mcgill.ca/legaldocuments/forms).

#### 1.12.2.1 Fee Exemptions

Exemption from the out-of-province or international supplement tuition fees is possible for students in any of the following three categories, as authorized by the Government of Quebec:

- 1. French Course Fee Exemptions** – Full-time international students are charged fees at the Quebec tuition rate by default for certain eligible French courses (note exclusions as listed at [mcgill.ca/student-accounts/tuition-fees/general-tuition-and-fees-information/tuition-fee-exemptions](http://mcgill.ca/student-accounts/tuition-fees/general-tuition-and-fees-information/tuition-fee-exemptions)).
- 2. Out-of-Province Tuition Supplement Exemptions** – Non-Quebec Canadian students in the following categories are exempted from out-of-province tuition supplements (details at [mcgill.ca/student-accounts/tuition-fees/general-tuition-and-fees-information/tuition-fee-exemptions](http://mcgill.ca/student-accounts/tuition-fees/general-tuition-and-fees-information/tuition-fee-exemptions)):
  - Students in a Ph.D. program
  - Students in a Postgraduate Medical Education program: Medical Residents, Clinical Fellows, Clinical Research Fellows, Research Fellows
  - Students registered full-time in the Master's in French (*Maîtrise en français*). The exemption begins at the moment the student registers in the program, without retroactive effect
- 3. International Students Eligible for Fee Exemptions Based on Legal Status in Canada** – Students with one of the following statuses may be exempt from International Supplements (certain categories may be assessed at the Canadian tuition rate; full details regarding eligibility criteria are listed at [mcgill.ca/legaldocuments/exemption](http://mcgill.ca/legaldocuments/exemption)):
  - Citizens of France
  - Citizens of certain countries with an agreement with the Government of Quebec
  - Diplomatic, consular, or other representatives of international organizations
  - Convention refugees
  - Students awaiting permanent residency in Canada and holding an eligible CSQ
  - Students whose spouse holds, or unmarried students whose parent holds a

If documents are still missing from your file after the start of the semester, a hold will be added to your record preventing you from registering or dropping any courses, and in some cases, from obtaining your official transcript.

**International students who have not provided their valid immigration documents to McGill may be de-registered from their courses.**

#### 1.12.5 Where and How Do I Send My Documents?

You must send in all your documents after you have accepted your offer of admission but before the start of classes. **Do not send originals.** Email clear and legible copies of your documents. Write your McGill student ID in the filename of each document so that McGill can match them to your record. The sooner you submit your documents, the sooner the University can update your status and ensure that your record is in order.

Please refer to [mcgill.ca/legaldocuments/how](http://mcgill.ca/legaldocuments/how) for detailed instructions on where/how to submit your documents.

If there is a problem with your documents, contact Service Point at:

Telephone: 514-398-7878

Website: [mcgill.ca/servicepoint/contact](http://mcgill.ca/servicepoint/contact)

##### 1.12.5.1 For the School of Continuing Studies

By email: [legaldocuments.conted@mcgill.ca](mailto:legaldocuments.conted@mcgill.ca)

In person (appointment required) or by mail/courier:





- Late May, for **Winter term** graduation (Courses completed by the end of April, Convocation in Spring)
- Late October, for **Summer term** graduation (Courses completed by the end of August, Convocation in Fall)

See [mcgill.ca/graduation/convocation](http://mcgill.ca/graduation/convocation) for information regarding convocation ceremonies.



**Note for Medicine and Dentistry:** The [Application for Graduation](#) is available on Minerva when you register for your final year (e.g., U3 or U4), except if you are in the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences or Faculty of Dental Medicine and Oral Health Sciences, where you are automatically flagged for graduation in your final year.

### 1.13.3 Replacing a Diploma

#### 1.13.3.1 Required Documents

Diplomas are normally distributed to new graduates at their Convocation ceremony, in either May or October/November. **Diplomas are not available prior to the Convocation date.**

##### **Replacing a lost diploma**

To replace a lost diploma, you must submit an order and pay for its replacement and delivery by courier using the [ES Services eStore](#).

##### **Requesting a diploma following your Convocation ceremony**

If you did not attend your Convocation ceremony and need your diploma, you can submit an order and pay for its delivery by courier using the [ES Services eStore](#) or contact [Service Point](#) for an appointment to pick up your diploma.

##### **Modifying the name on your diploma**

If you have changed your name after graduation and need to obtain a replacement diploma with your new name, first follow the [steps to request a name change](#) by completing and signing a [Personal Data Change Form](#) and submitting the [section 1.11.2: required supporting documentation](#). Once you have received confirmation that your McGill record reflects the updated name, submit a request for a replacement diploma and pay the fee for replacement and delivery via courier using the [ES Services eStore](#).

#### 1.13.3.2 Submitting Your Request

You can submit a request and pay for a replacement diploma and delivery via the [ES Services eStore](#) [f1 0 0 1 124t a request a7o80.3mnTf1 L/F2\(ed confis.ndr21ilpm\(del](#)



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## 1.15 Student Health & Insurance

Learn more about health insurance, your requirements as a student, and services offered for special medical needs in the following sections.

### 1.15.1 Health Professions ± Immunization Requirement

A compulsory immunization program exists at McGill for students in the health science fields (including Dietetics), as well as in the School of Social Work. If you are a new student in those programs, you must complete the immunization program well before classes begin. You can find further information at [mcgill.ca/wellness-hub/get-support/physical-health/immunization](http://mcgill.ca/wellness-hub/get-support/physical-health/immunization) or by calling the Student Wellness Hub at 514-398-6017.

### 1.15.2 Health Insurance ± International Students

#### **International Students (Non-Canadians or Non-Permanent Residents of Canada)**

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[studentcare.ca/rte/en/McGillUniversitygraduatestudentsPGSS\\_Home](http://studentcare.ca/rte/en/McGillUniversitygraduatestudentsPGSS_Home). Students without valid Canadian medicare, please see [section 1.15.2: Health Insurance – International Students](#), or the **Canadians who have been residing outside of Canada** section above.

#### 1.15.4 Special Medical Needs

If you have special medical needs, please book an appointment with the [Student Wellness Hub](#) to discuss how to manage your health while at McGill.

If you anticipate encountering ongoing barriers in the academic or physical environment due to disability, injury, or illness, please consult with the [Student Accessibility & Achievement](#) to determine an appropriate individualized accommodation plan. Appropriate medical documentation may be required, and can be discussed with an Access Advisor. Academic accommodation planning and support is available to students at the Downtown Campus as well as the Macdonald Campus, and to students in Continuing Studies. Please refer to [mcgill.ca/access-achieve/](http://mcgill.ca/access-achieve/) for more information, or to book an appointment.

**Note for UGME and PGME Students:** See the Office of Medical Learner Aff

Wishing to provide an environment in which you may be able to continue in your program of study and fulfil your university commitments, [these guidelines](#) aim to set out how, and in what exceptional circumstances, you may request academic accommodation.

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## 2.2 Failure Policy

### **Purpose**

This policy specifies conditions under which graduate students will be withdra



2.6. In cases where the student has missed an established progress report deadline and has not responded to the unit within 4 weeks after being contacted by the academic unit, the report may be completed in the student's absence, and progress may be judged unsatisfactory.

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they have received a mark and to discuss this submission with the examiner.” Upon request by the student, the instructor of the course is obliged to conduct this consultation with the student.



**Note:** Where materials have been graded by a TA and the student wants a reconsideration of the grade, the faculty member responsible for the course is expected to review the materials and the appropriateness of the grade. This is true even if the materials in question have already been discussed by the TA with the student.

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## 2.7 Language Policy

The main language of instruction at McGill is English. You have the right to write essays, examinations, and theses in English or in French except in courses where knowledge of a language is one of the objectives of the course.

If you need to improve your English skills, you should take an intensive

- A Leave of Absence may hav

All doctoral programs at McGill require candidates to pass a comprehensive examination, such as a qualifying examination, a preliminary examination, a candidacy paper, a comprehensive evaluation, a thesis proposal, etc. The results of this examination determine whether or not students will be permitted to continue in their programs. The methods adopted for examination and evaluation and the areas to be examined must be specified by departmental regulations and approved by Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies. It is the responsibility of the Unit to make this information widely available and for students to inform themselves of these details.

**Objectives and Content**

The purpose of comprehensive examinations is to determine whether the student demonstrates the necessary research skills and academic achievements to continue in the Ph.D. program. Permissible objectives may only include assessing foundational knowledge of the discipline (retrospective comprehensive) and/or ability to conduct independent and original research (prospective comprehensive).

A student withdrawn due to failure of their comprehensive exam has 30 days to appeal this decision. They must follow the steps specified under *Requesting an appeal in case of withdrawal due to failure* in the [Failure Policy](#).

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## 2.11 Admission of Former Students

Students who have reached time limitation, who have officially withdrawn from the University by submitting a [Withdrawal Form](#), or who are not currently re



<b>Faculty of Education</b>	<b>Degrees Available</b>
: <i>Kinesiology and Physical Education</i>	M.A., M.Sc., Ph.D.
<b>Faculty of Engineering</b>	<b>Degrees Available</b>
: <i>Architecture</i>	M.Arch., Ph.D.
: <i>Chemical Engineering</i>	M.Eng., Ph.D.
: <i>Civil Engineering</i>	M.Sc., M.Eng., Ph.D.
: <i>Electrical and Computer Engineering</i>	M.Sc., M.Eng., Ph.D.
: <i>Mechanical Engineering</i>	M.Sc., M.Eng., Ph.D.
: <i>Mining and Materials Engineering</i>	M.Sc., M.Eng., Ph.D., Gr. Dip.
: <i>Urban Planning</i>	M.U.P., Ph.D.
<b>Bieler School of Environment</b>	<b>Degrees Available</b>
: <i>Environment</i>	N/A
<b>Interfaculty Studies</b>	<b>Degrees Available</b>
: <i>Biological and Biomedical Engineering</i>	M.Sc., M.Eng., Ph.D.
: <i>Graduate Certificate in Foundations of Health Science Education</i>	Gr. Cert.
: <i>Neuroscience (Integrated Program)</i>	M.Sc., Ph.D.
: <i>Quantitative Life Sciences</i>	Ph.D.
<b>Faculty of Law</b>	<b>Degrees Available</b>
: <i>Law</i>	LL.M., D.C.L., Gr. Cert., M.S.W. & B.C.L./J.D.
<b>Desautels Faculty of MaG85/eent</b>	<b>Degrees Available</b>

<b>Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences</b>	<b>Degrees Available</b>
: <a href="#">Surgical and Interventional Sciences</a>	M.Sc., Ph.D., Gr. Cert., Gr. Dip.
<b>Schulich School of Music</b>	<b>Degrees Available</b>
: <a href="#">Schulich School of Music</a>	M.A., M.Mus., D.Mus., Ph.D., Graduate Artist Diploma, Gr. Cert., Gr. Dip., Post-Graduate Artist Diploma
<b>Ingram School of Nursing</b>	<b>Degrees Available</b>
: <a href="#">Nursing</a>	M.Sc.A., Ph.D., Gr. Cert., Gr. Dip.
<b>School of Physical and Occupational Therapy</b>	<b>Degrees Available</b>
: <a href="#">About the School of Physical and Occupational Therapy</a>	M.Sc., M.Sc.A., Ph.D., Gr. Cert.
<b>Faculty of Science</b>	<b>Degrees Available</b>
: <a href="#">Atmospheric and Oceanic Sciences</a>	M.Sc., Ph.D.
: <a href="#">Biology</a>	M.Sc., Ph.D.
: <a href="#">Chemistry</a>	M.Sc., Ph.D.
: <a href="#">Computer Science</a>	M.Sc., Ph.D.
: <a href="#">Earth and Planetary Sciences</a>	M.Sc., Ph.D.
Geography ( <a href="#">Science</a> > <a href="#">Graduate</a> > <a href="#">Browse Academic Units &amp; Programs</a> > <a href="#">Geography</a> )	M.Sc., Ph.D.
Mathematics and Statistics ( <a href="#">Science</a> > <a href="#">Graduate</a> > <a href="#">Browse Academic Units &amp; Programs</a> > <a href="#">Mathematics and Statistics</a> )	M.Sc., Ph.D.
: <a href="#">Physics</a>	M.Sc., Ph.D.
Psychology ( <a href="#">Science</a> > <a href="#">Graduate</a>	M.Sc., Ph.D.



Degree		Prerequisites
		Applicants to the Performance program are required to pass auditions in their speciality. See : <i>Schulich School of Music</i> .
Master of Sacred Theology	S.T.M.	B.A. with specialization in religious studies or theology. See : <i>Religious Studies Admission Requirements and Application Procedures</i> .
Master of Science	M.Sc.	Bachelor of Science in the subject selected for graduate work. See appropriate unit.
Master of Science, Applied	M.Sc.A.	A bachelor's degree in the subject selected for graduate work. See appropriate unit.
Master of Social Work	M.S.W.	Bachelor's degree in Social Work including courses in statistics and social science research methods. See : <i>Social Work Admission Requirements and Application Procedures</i> .
Master of Social Work with Bachelor of Civil Law and Bachelor of Laws	M.S.W. with B.C.L./LL.B.	See : <i>Social Work Admission Requirements and Application Procedures</i> .
Master of Urban	M.U.P.	Bachelor's degree in any one of the following: Anthropology, Architecture, Economics, Civil Engineering, Geography, Law, Management, Political

**Master of Arts (M.A.)**

German	Thesis, Non-Thesis	N/A
Hispanic Studies	Thesis, Non-Thesis	N/A
History	Thesis, Non-Thesis	Development Studies, European Studies, Gender and Women's Studies (Thesis) Development Studies, European Studies, Gender and Women's Studies
Islamic Studies	Thesis	Gender and Women's Studies
Italian	Thesis, Non-Thesis	N/A
Jewish Studies	Thesis, Non-Thesis	N/A
Kinesiology and Physical Education	Thesis, Non-Thesis	N/A
Languages, Literatures and Cultures	Thesis ( <i>Ad Hoc</i> )	Digital Humanities
Linguistics	Non-Thesis	N/A
Mathematics and Statistics	Thesis, Non-Thesis	N/A
Medical Anthropology	Thesis	N/A
Music – Music Education	Thesis, Non-Thesis	N/A
Music – Music Technology	Thesis	N/A
Music – Musicology	Thesis, Non-Thesis	Gender and Women's Studies (Thesis)
Music – Theory	Thesis, Non-Thesis	Gender and Women's Studies (Thesis)
Philosophy	Thesis	Bioethics
Political Science	Thesis, Non-Thesis	Development Studies, European Studies (Thesis) Development Studies, European Studies, Gender and Women's Studies, Social Statistics (Non-Thesis)
Psychology	Thesis	N/A
Religious Studies	Thesis, Non-Thesis	Bioethics, Gender and Women's Studies (Thesis)
Russian	Thesis	N/A
Second Language Education	Thesis, Non-Thesis	Gender and Women's Studies (Thesis)
School/Applied Child Psychology	Non-Thesis	N/A
Sociology	Thesis, Non-Thesis	Development Studies, Gender and Women's Studies, Medical Sociology (Thesis) Development Studies, Gender and Women's Studies, Medical Sociology, Population Dynamics
Teaching and Learning	Non-Thesis	English or French Second Language, English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science and Technology, Social Sciences

**Master of Business Administration Degrees (M.B.A.)**

M.B.A.	Non-Thesis	General Management
M.B.A./Japan	Non-Thesis	Finance, General Management, Global Strategy and Leadership, Marketing, Technology and Innovation
E.M.B.A.	Non-Thesis	N/A

**Master of Education (M.Ed.)**

Educational Psychology	Non-Thesis	Family Life Education, General Educational Psychology, General Educational Psychology: Project, Inclusive Education, Inclusive Education: Project, Learning Sciences
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**Master of Engineering (M.Eng.)**

Aerospace Engineering	Non-Thesis	N/A
Biological and Biomedical Engineering	Thesis	N/A
Chemical Engineering	Thesis, Non-Thesis	Environmental Engineering (Non-Thesis)
Civil Engineering	Thesis, Non-Thesis	Environmental Engineering (Non-Thesis)
Electrical Engineering	Non-Thesis	N/A
Materials Engineering	Thesis, Non-Thesis	Environmental Engineering (Non-Thesis)
Mechanical Engineering	Non-Thesis	N/A
Mining Engineering	Thesis, Non-Thesis	Environmental Engineering (Non-Thesis)

**Master of Information Studies (M.I.St.)**

The School of Information Studies offers a postgraduate professional program in librarianship. Two years of full-time study or the equivalent are required.

Information Studies	Non-Thesis	Project
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**Master of Laws (LL.M.)**

Law	Thesis, Non-Thesis	Bioethics (Thesis) Air and Space Law, Comparative Law, Environment (Thesis and Non-Thesis)
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**Master of Management (M.M.)**

Analytics	Non-Thesis	N/A
Finance	Non-Thesis	N/A
Manufacturing Management	Non-Thesis	N/A
IMHL	Non-Thesis	N/A
IMPM	Non-Thesis	N/A

**Master of Music (M.Mus.)**

Music – Composition	Thesis	N/A Jazz Performance, Early Music, Orchestral Instruments and Guitar, Collaborative
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**Master of Science (M.Sc.)**

		Integrated Water Resource Management (Non-Thesis)
Biostatistics	Thesis, Non-Thesis	N/A
Cell Biology	Thesis	N/A
Chemistry	Thesis	N/A
Civil Engineering	Thesis	N/A
Communication Sciences and Disorders	Thesis	N/A
Computer Science	Thesis, Non-Thesis	Bioinformatics
Dental Sciences	Thesis, Non-Thesis	N/A
Earth and Planetary Sciences	Thesis	Environment
Electrical Engineering	Thesis	N/A
Epidemiology	Thesis, Non-Thesis	Environmental & Occupational Health (Non-Thesis), Pharmacoepidemiology (Non-Thesis)
Experimental Medicine	Thesis	Bioethics, Environment
Surgical and Interventional Sciences (formerly Experimental Surgery)	Thesis, Non-Thesis	Global Surgery, Surgical Education, Surgical Innovation (Thesis)
Family Medicine	Thesis	Bioethics, Medical Education
Food Science and Agricultural Chemistry	Thesis, Non-Thesis	Food Safety (Non-Thesis)
Genetic Counselling	Non-Thesis	N/A
Geography	Thesis	Environment, Neotropical Environment
Human Genetics	Thesis	Bioethics, Bioinformatics
Human Nutrition	Thesis	N/A
Kinesiology and Physical Education	Thesis, Non-Thesis	N/A
Materials Engineering	Thesis	N/A
Mathematics and Statistics	Thesis, Non-Thesis	N/A
Mechanical Engineering	Thesis	N/A
Medical Radiation Physics	Thesis	N/A
Microbiology	Thesis	N/A
Microbiology and Immunology	Thesis	N/A
Mining Engineering	Thesis	N/A
Neuroscience	Thesis	N/A
Otolaryngology	Thesis	N/A
Parasitology	Thesis	N/A
Pathology	Thesis	N/A
Pharmacology	Thesis	Environmental Health Sciences
Physics	Thesis	N/A
Physiology	Thesis	Bioinformatics, Chemical Biology
Plant Science	Thesis	Bioinformatics, Environment, Neotropical Environment
Psychiatry	Thesis	N/A
Psychology	Thesis	N/A
Public Health	Non-Thesis	N/A
Rehabilitation Sciences	Thesis, Non-Thesis	N/A

**Master of Science (M.Sc.)**

Renewable Resources	Thesis, Non-Thesis	Environment, Neotropical Environment (Thesis) Environmental Assessment (Non-Thesis)
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**Master of Science, Applied (M.Sc.A.)**

This degree was designed to provide postgraduate training of a professional and vocational character, with less emphasis on theoretical knowledge and research than in Master of Science programs, but with no lower standards either for admission or completion of requirements. Two years of full-time study or equivalent are normally required with an emphasis on coursework.

Animal Science	Non-Thesis	Sustainable Agriculture
Bioresource Engineering	Non-Thesis	Environment, Environmental Engineering, Integrated Food and Bioprocessing
Biotechnology	Non-Thesis	N/A
Communication Sciences and Disorders	Non-Thesis	Speech-Language Pathology
Human Nutrition	Non-Thesis, Non-Thesis (Project), Non-Thesis (Practicum)	Dietetics Credentialing
Nursing	Non-Thesis	Advanced Nursing - Advanced Practice Nursing; Advanced Nursing - Global Health; Advanced Nursing - Nursing Services Administration Nursing - Direct Entry to Advanced Practice Nursing; Nursing - Global Health Nurse Practitioner; Adult Care Nurse Practitioner; Mental Health Nurse Practitioner; Neonatal Nurse Practitioner; Pediatrics Nurse Practitioner; Primary Care Nurse Practitioner
Occupational Health	Non-Thesis (Resident), Non-Thesis (Distance)	N/A
Occupational Therapy	Non-Thesis	N/A
Physical Therapy	Non-Thesis	N/A
Plant Science	Non-Thesis (program under review)	N/A
		Couple and Family

Degree		Prerequisites
Doctor of Civil Law	D.C.L.	B.C.L. or LL.B. and usually LL.M. See : <a href="#">Law</a> .
Doctor of Music	D.Mus.	M.A. in Composition (D.Mus. in Composition) or a master's degree in Performance, and professional and teaching experience (D.Mus. in Performance). See : <a href="#">Schulich School of Music</a> .
Doctor of Philosophy	Ph.D.	An undergraduate degree relevant to the subject chosen for graduate work. Some departments require all Ph.D. candidates to hold a master's degree in the same subject. Departments may recommend that candidates of undoubted promise should be allowed to proceed directly to the Ph.D. degree without being required to submit a master's thesis.
Joint Doctor of Philosophy	Ph.D.	Joint Ph.D.s are offered in co-operation with other universities.
<i>Ad Hoc</i> Doctor of Philosophy	Ph.D. ( <i>Ad Hoc</i> )	Some departments offer the possibility of directly entering a Ph.D. program on an <i>ad hoc</i> basis, or, with the permission of the supervisor and the approval of the Graduate Program Director, exceptional students may transfer from the master's program to the <i>ad hoc</i> Ph.D. program.

### 3.3.1 Doctoral Degree Programs and Specializations

Program	Options	Offered by Faculty/School
<b>Doctor of Civil Law (D.C.L.)</b>		
Doctoral programs are offered in Air and Space Law and Law (Comparative Law). Both are predominantly research degrees awarded on the basis of a thesis that represents an original contribution to the development of legal science.		
Law	Air and Space Law, Comparative Law	Faculty of Law
<b>Doctor of Music (D.Mus.)</b>		

The Doctor of Music degree is offered in Composition.







## Graduate Diplomas

Music Performance

Surgical Innovation

## Graduate Certificates

Air and Space Law

Library and Information Studies

Bioinformatics

Neonatal Nurse Practitioner

Biotechnology

Pédagogie de l'immersion française

Chronic Pain Management

Pediatric Nurse Practitioner

Comparative Law

Performance Choral Conducting

Digital Archives Management

Post-M.B.A.

Driving Rehabilitation

Post-M.B.A. Japan

Educational Leadership 1

Professional Accounting

Educational Leadership 2

Regenerative Medicine

Educational Leadership 3

Surgical Innovation

Foundations of Health Science Education

Teaching English as a Second Language

Information Architecture and Design

Theory in Mental Health

Information and Knowledge Management

Theory in Primary Care

International Leadership in Educational and Administrative Development

Translational Biomedical Engineering

All graduate regulations apply to graduate diploma and graduate certificate candidates.



**Note:** The School of Continuing Studies also offers graduate diplomas and graduate certificates that are not under the academic supervision of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies. To see a list of programs offered, refer to [Graduate Credit Programs in the School of Continuing Studies](#).





2. Has obtained (or is about to obtain) an undergraduate or graduate degree from a recognized institution in Canada or the United States of America (anglophone or francophone).
3. Has obtained (or is about to obtain) an undergraduate or graduate degree from a recognized foreign institution where English is the language of instruction.
4. Has lived in a .Danish .territory

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#### 4.10 Admission to Two Degree Programs

Students may, with special permission granted by the Graduate Admissions Committee (composed of the Dean and Associate Deans of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies) and in consultation with the Graduate Admissions Unit of Enrolment Services, be admitted to two degree programs or to two academic units or faculties. Students are **never** permitted to pursue two **full-time** degree programs concurrently.

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#### 4.11 Admission of Former Students

Students who have reached time limitation or officially withdrawn from the university should refer to [section 2.11: Admission of Former Students](#) for further information.

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#### 4.12 Deferral of Admission

Under exceptional circumstances, an admission for a particular semester can be considered for a deferral. Normally, the deferral period granted will not exceed one academic year (two terms). This can be considered only if the student has not registered. If the student has already registered, no deferral can be granted. The student must withdraw from the University and apply for admission to a later term.

Requests for deferral of admission are submitted via the online application system. Any inquiries should be addressed directly to the academic unit.

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## 5 Fellowships, Awards, and Assistantships

Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies  
Graduate Funding  
James Administration Building, Room 400  
845 Sherbrooke Street West  
Montreal QC H3A 0G4  
Email: [graduatefunding.gps@mcgill.ca](mailto:graduatefunding.gps@mcgill.ca)  
Website: [mcgill.ca/gps/funding](http://mcgill.ca/gps/funding)

Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies is responsible for the awarding and processing of many fellowships in support of McGill's graduate students and postdoctoral fellows. Further information on these and other sources of funding can be found on the [Graduate Funding website](#).

Funding packages for graduate students can include different sources of funding, such as internal fellowships/awards and stipends from professors' research grants. Most internal fellowships/awards are awarded on the basis of the application for admission, upon nomination by academic units. Stipends from professors' research grants are handled by individual academic units at McGill. Please contact the proposed academic units directly for further information. Internal Fellowships that professors'

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## 6 Research Policy and Guidelines

Students and postdoctoral fellows must inform themselves of University rules and regulations and keep abreast of any changes that may occur. The *Research Policy and Guidelines* section of this publication contains important details and should be periodically consulted, along with other sections and related publications.

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### 6.1 Regulation on the Conduct of Research

Please refer to the Regulation on the Conduct of Research available at [mcgill.ca/secretariat/policies-and-regulations](https://mcgill.ca/secretariat/policies-and-regulations).

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### 6.2 Regulations Concerning the Investigation of Research Misconduct

Please refer to the Regulations Concerning the Investigation of Research Misconduct available on the Research Integrity Office's [Policies](#) page.

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### 6.3 Requirements for Research Involving Human Subjects

Please refer to the [Ethics and Compliance website](#) for information on policies and procedures for conducting research involving human participants: [mcgill.ca/research/research/compliance/human](https://mcgill.ca/research/research/compliance/human).

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### 6.4 Guidelines for Research with Animal Subjects

Please refer to the Policy on the Study and Care of Animals available at [mcgill.ca/secretariat/policies-and-regulations](https://mcgill.ca/secretariat/policies-and-regulations). For more information, consult Research and Innovation's [Animal Research](#) page.

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### 6.5 Policy on Intellectual Property

Please consult the policies on [Inventions and Software](#) or [Copyright](#) as found on the [Research Integrity Office's page](#).

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### 6.6 Regulations Governing Conflicts of Interest

Please refer to the regulations governing conflicts of interest available at [mcgill.ca/secretariat/policies-and-regulations](https://mcgill.ca/secretariat/policies-and-regulations).

Also consult [mcgill.ca/gps/students/policies-and-guidelines/guidelines-disclosing-conflict-interest](https://mcgill.ca/gps/students/policies-and-guidelines/guidelines-disclosing-conflict-interest) regarding Guidelines for disclosing a Conflict of Interest when graduate students or postdoctoral trainees are involved.

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### 6.7 Safety in Field Work

Please refer to the policies on safety in field work available at [mcgill.ca/ehs/policies-and-safety-committees/policies/field-work-safety](https://mcgill.ca/ehs/policies-and-safety-committees/policies/field-work-safety).

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### 6.8 Office of Sponsored Research

Please refer to the [Office of Sponsored Research](#).

## 6.9 Postdoctoral Fellowships

Please see [mcgill.ca/gps/postdocs](https://mcgill.ca/gps/postdocs).

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# 7 Student Services and Information

McGill offers a full range of student services and resources that support your life, learning, personal, and academic achievements.

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## 7.1 Service Point

Service Point has brought together newly integrated, front-line undergraduate and graduate student administrative services. Located on the ground floor of the McLennan Library Building in the heart of the Downtown Campus, Service Point will address a wide variety of students' needs.

Some of the many services offered at Service Point for undergraduate and graduate students:

- certified or translated copies of diplomas
- degree verification
- help with admissions
- help with Minerva
- international health insurance cards and exemptions
- McGill ID cards
- official transcript pick-up
- replacement diplomas
- student exchanges/study abroad
- submitting legal documents
- tuition and fees information
- pick-up of alternative U.S. Loans

Arts or Science students will also be able to inquire about:

- course and program registration
- exams (including deferred and supplemental)

For a complete list of student services and resources at McGill, see [mcgill.ca/student-services/](https://mcgill.ca/student-services/).

For more information about Service Point, see [mcgill.ca/servicepoint](https://mcgill.ca/servicepoint).

### 7.1.1 Location

3415 McTavish Street (at Sherbrooke)  
Montreal QC H3A 0C8  
Telephone: 514-398-7878  
Opening hours: please refer to [mcgill.ca/servicepoint](https://mcgill.ca/servicepoint)  
Email: please refer to [mcgill.ca/servicepoint/contact](https://mcgill.ca/servicepoint/contact)

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## 7.2 Student Rights and Responsibilities

*Student Rights and Responsibilities* is produced jointly by the Office of the Dean of Students and the Secretariat. It contains regulations and policies governing your rights and responsibilities as a student at McGill, and is available at [mcgill.ca/students/srr](https://mcgill.ca/students/srr).

Further details regarding your rights and responsibilities are also available at [mcgill.ca/secretariat/policies-and-regulations](https://mcgill.ca/secretariat/policies-and-regulations).











1010 Sherbrooke St. W., Suite 410



There is no meal plan offered on the Macdonald Campus. Students may, however, load their oneCard to purchase meals; refer to

- squash and racquetball courts
- spinning, fitness, and martial arts studios
- various playing fields
- small groups and one-on-one training spaces
- gender-neutral changing spaces and bathrooms

McGill students can participate in instructional, recreational, intramural, and intercollegiate activities, as well as sports clubs. There are nominal fees for instructional courses, intramurals, sports equipment rentals, and membership to the Fitness Centre. Sporting equipment (x-country skis, snowshoes, racquets, balls, etc.) is available for loan or rent.

McGill Sports Complex  
 475 Pine Avenue West  
 Telephone: 514-398-7000  
 Email: [perry.karnofsky@mcgill.ca](mailto:perry.karnofsky@mcgill.ca) (recreational sports) or [lisen.moore@mcgill.ca](mailto:lisen.moore@mcgill.ca) (varsity sports)  
 Website: [mcgillathletics.ca](http://mcgillathletics.ca)  
 Facebook: [www.facebook.com/mcgillathleticsandrecreation](http://www.facebook.com/mcgillathleticsandrecreation)  
 Twitter: [www.twitter.com/McGillAthletics](http://www.twitter.com/McGillAthletics)

### 7.6.2 Macdonald Campus Athletics & Recreation

Offers a wide range of facilities, activities, and equipment, free of charge. Facilities include:

- gym
- fitness centre
- smart studios
- arena
- multi-courts
- playing fields
- outdoor Trekfit gym
- outdoor volleyball court
- large expanses of green space
- Paddle Mac

Students can participate in instructional, recreational, intramural, and intercollegiate activities. There are nominal fees for intramural and fitness courses. Sporting equipment (cross-country skis, snowshoes, stand up paddle boards, kayaks, frisbees, balls, etc.) is available for loan or rent.

Athletics offices are located in the Stewart Athletic Complex, just west of the Centennial Centre.

Stewart Athletic Complex  
 Telephone: 514-398-7789  
 Website: [macdonaldcampusathletics.ca](http://macdonaldcampusathletics.ca)  
 Facebook: [www.facebook.com/Mac-Athletics-and-Recreation-559732057427796/?fref=ts](http://www.facebook.com/Mac-Athletics-and-Recreation-559732057427796/?fref=ts)

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## 7.7 Ombudsperson for Students

The Office of the Ombudsperson for Students offers confidential, informal, independent, and impartial dispute resolution services to all members of the student community by providing information, advice, intervention, and referrals.

The mandate of the Office is to intervene at any point and attempt to resolve issues informally before proceeding to more formal processes. Please refer to the website to determine *when you should contact the Ombudsperson*.

Office of the Ombudsperson  
 3610 McTavish Street, Room 14 (main floor)  
 Telephone: 514-398-7059  
 Email: [ombudsperson@mcgill.ca](mailto:ombudsperson@mcgill.ca)  
 Website: [mcgill.ca/ombudsperson](http://mcgill.ca/ombudsperson)

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## 7.8 Extra-Curricular and Co-Curricular Activities

Student associations and University units at McGill host over **300** activities, clubs, and services that students may join. These include:

- Athletics and recreation sports clubs
- Charity and environmental clubs
- Community outreach and volunteering clubs
- Fine art, dance, and performance clubs
- Health and wellness clubs
- Languages and publications clubs
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#### **Institutional Sales**

Website: [lejames.ca/institutional](http://lejames.ca/institutional)

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### 7.10 Day Care

The McGill Childcare Centre (CPE McGill) is an independently run centre that can accommodate 110 children, ranging in age from four months to five years. Applications are to be submitted at [www.laplace0-5.com](http://www.laplace0-5.com); early application is required as placement is limited.

The Centre is located at:

3491 Peel Street  
Montreal QC H3A 1W7  
Telephone: 514-398-6943  
Website: [mcgill.ca/daycare](http://mcgill.ca/daycare)

A Campus Day Care Centre, located adjacent to the Macdonald Campus, is an independently run centre that can accommodate approximately 60 children, ranging in age from four months to five years. Preference is given to the Macdonald Campus community. Early application is recommended.

The Centre is located at:

1 Maple Avenue  
Ste.-Anne-de-Bellevue QC H9X 2E3  
Telephone: 514-398-7951

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## 8 Fees

The information in this publication was updated in January 2024. The University reserves the right to make changes without notice in the published scale of fees.

Further information regarding fees can be found on the Student Accounts website: [mcgill.ca/student-accounts/tuition-fees/tuition-and-fees-tables-and-rates](http://mcgill.ca/student-accounts/tuition-fees/tuition-and-fees-tables-and-rates).

For information on financial support, see [Scholarships and Student Aid](#).



**Note for Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies:** For information on financial support, see [mcgill.ca/gps/funding](http://mcgill.ca/gps/funding).

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### 8.1 Access to Fee Information

You can view your *Account Summary by Term* on [Minerva](#). The Fall term fees will be accessible in mid-July.

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### 8.2 Billings and Due Dates

#### **Confirmation of Acceptance Deposit**

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Term	Payment Due Date
<b>Fall term</b>	
All new and returning students	August 30, 2024
<b>Winter Term</b>	
All new and returning students	January 6, 2025

**Late Payment Charges:** If you have an outstanding balance greater than \$100 on your account at the end of October (end of February for the Winter term), you will be assessed a late payment charge, over and above the interest. See *Penalties and Fines* at [mcgill.ca/student-accounts/tuition-fees/non-tuition-charges/other](http://mcgill.ca/student-accounts/tuition-fees/non-tuition-charges/other).

### 8.2.1 Guest Access on Minerva

You may choose to give access privileges to a guest on Minerva. These privileges include viewing e-bills/account summaries, tax receipts, and e-payment.

The [mcgill.ca/student-accounts/parents-and-sponsors/guest-access](http://mcgill.ca/student-accounts/parents-and-sponsors/guest-access) web page describes how to set up this access. You must provide certain information about the individual to whom you wish to grant access to your fee-related information. The guest will be contacted by email and provided with a link to use within a designated time period.

You can revoke guest access privileges at any time.

Note that *Service Point* staff may respond to questions from your authorized guest regarding the information to which they have been given access.

If you do not want to give a guest access privileges to Minerva, you can enter an “Alternate Student Billing” email address on Minerva to which Student Accounts will send a copy of the monthly e-bill notification, which includes the balance due on the account.

You should not share your PIN (personal identification number) with anyone, including a guest on Minerva. *Guest Access* allows your guest to view your account information without knowing your PIN.

### 8.2.2 Payment Procedures

Please see the Student Accounts website at [mcgill.ca/student-accounts/your-account/payment](http://mcgill.ca/student-accounts/your-account/payment) for the various methods of payment available to students and their guests.

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## 8.3 Tuition Fees

**Tuition rates are subject to change each academic year.** Please access *Tuition and fees* at [mcgill.ca/student-accounts/tuition-fees](http://mcgill.ca/student-accounts/tuition-fees). The annual rates of tuition and fees are updated as soon as they are known.



**Note:** Students who are required to submit documentation and who do not do so by the stipulated deadlines (December 1 – Fall; April 1 – Winter; August 1 – Summer) are billed at the non-Quebec Canadian or the international rate, depending on the documentation submitted. Students who are not automatically granted a fee deferral based on the University’s evaluation of their personal information at admission, and who expect their fee residency status to change within the term—contingent on appropriate supporting documentation—must contact either *Service Point* or *SCS Client Services* (School of Continuing Studies students only) to discuss what documentation is still outstanding to support their situation. These offices will decide if a fee deferral is warranted. No prior interest charges or late payment fines will be reversed; therefore, you should ensure your request is submitted before the first fee payment for the term is due.

Students in on-line programs must self-declare for each registered term, where they will be located during that term, on Minerva under the *Student Menu > Location of Study - Online (distance) program*. Students in one of these online programs will be notified by email that the Minerva form for the upcoming term is open and can be accessed for completion. Students studying within the province will be subject to the rates established by the government for in-province students. Students who are located outside Quebec while studying, will be subject to deregulated tuition rates.

### 8.3.1 Quebec Students and Non-Quebec (Canadian or Permanent Resident) Students

In accordance with provincial government requirements, students must provide proof that they qualify for assessment of fees at the Quebec or non-Quebec Canadian rates; see [mcgill.ca/legaldocuments](http://mcgill.ca/legaldocuments) for details. In certain cases, non-Quebec Canadian students pay the same rate of tuition as Quebec students—for further information about these exceptions, see the Student Accounts website at [mcgill.ca/student-accounts/tuition-fees/general-tuition-and-fees-information/tuition-fee-exemptions](http://mcgill.ca/student-accounts/tuition-fees/general-tuition-and-fees-information/tuition-fee-exemptions)

For more information concerning fee exemptions, visit [mcgill.ca/student-accounts/tuition-fees/general-tuition-and-fees-information/tuition-fee-exemptions](https://mcgill.ca/student-accounts/tuition-fees/general-tuition-and-fees-information/tuition-fee-exemptions) or contact [Service Point](#).

### 8.3.3 Tuition Assistance for McGill Staff

McGill staff may be entitled to a tuition waiver equivalent to 100% of the portion of eligible tuition fees. For complete details, refer to the policies and procedures found at [mcgill.ca/hr/benefits/tuition](https://mcgill.ca/hr/benefits/tuition). Should you not successfully complete the courses as detailed in the policy, the fee exemption will be cancelled and you will be required to pay these fees according to regular payment deadlines.

### 8.3.4 Staff Dependent Waivers

Students who are dependents of staff members or pensioners may qualify for a fee reduction. You may find further information, including instructions on how to complete and submit the application form, at [mcgill.ca/hr/employee-relations/policies-procedures](https://mcgill.ca/hr/employee-relations/policies-procedures).

The fee reduction will be credited to your McGill fee account once eligibility has been confirmed. This fee reduction will be reflected in a T4A slip issued to the student in February by the University.

For more information, refer to the MUNACA Collective Agreement, or the Staff Dependent Policy at [mcgill.ca/hr/employee-relations/policies-procedures](https://mcgill.ca/hr/employee-relations/policies-procedures).

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## 8.4 Documentation

For more information on documentation, see [University Regulations & Resources](#) > Graduate > Regulations > [section 1.12.1: Why Does McGill Collect Legal Documents from You?](#).

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## 8.5 Compulsory Fees

Rates are updated and available on the Student Accounts website, [mcgill.ca/student-accounts/tuition-fees](https://mcgill.ca/student-accounts/tuition-fees), as soon as they become available.

### 8.5.1 Student Services Fees

Student Services fees are governed by the Senate Committee on the Coordination of Student Services, a parity committee composed equally of students and University staff. Through the Office of the Executive Director, Services for Students, services, promoting student success and well-being, are available on the Downtown and Macdonald campuses to help students achieve greater academic, physical, and social well-being.

These fees are complemented by revenue from the Quebec government, the University, and the generosity of donors. They support: the Student Wellness Hub, Counselling and Tutorial Services; the Office of Religious and Spiritual Life; Career Planning Service (CaPS); Scholarships and Student Aid; International Student Services; the Office for Student Accessibility & Achievement; Campus Life & Engagement (including assistance for francophone students); and the First Peoples' House. Please refer to [section 7.3: Student Services – Downtown Campus](#) and [section 7.4: Student Services – Macdonald Campus](#) for details on these services.

### 8.5.2 Athletics and Recreation Fee

The Athletics and Recreation fee supports programs offered on the Downtown and Macdonald campuses. The fee provides access to most athletics facilities; however, registration to fitness and recreation courses, intramural sports, pay-as-you-go programs, and/or the Fitness Centre carries a supplemental charge. Please consult the Athletics and Recreation website at [mcgillathletics.ca](https://mcgillathletics.ca) for further information.

### 8.5.3 Student Society Fees

Student Society fees are collected on behalf of student organizations and are compulsory. These fees must be approved by the student body through fee referenda according to the constitutional rules of the association or society. Students vote on changes to Student Society fees during the Spring and Fall referendum periods.

Graduate students classed as Canadian full-time, part-time, Additional Session, Thesis Evaluation, Non-Thesis Extension, as well as postdoctoral candidates are automatically covered by their society's extended Health and Dental Plan (PGSS). Eligible students not charged automatically for insurance fees can choose to enrol themselves during the appropriate Change-of-Coverage period. For more information on what is covered by this plan, as well as enrolment, rates and opt-out procedures, and deadlines, please refer to the information contained at [Studentcare](#) toward mid-August.

Students without valid Canadian Medicare, please see McGill's [International Health Insurance](#) and/or Student Accounts' [Insurance](#) page.

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## 8.6 Administrative Charges

The University assesses a number of administrative charges to students, which include:







of the term in which the contract takes effect. For more information and the required forms, see [mcgill.ca/student-accounts/parents-and-sponsors/third-party-sponsorship](http://mcgill.ca/student-accounts/parents-and-sponsors/third-party-sponsorship).

When a third party agrees to pay fees on behalf of a student, payment is recorded on the fee account, which reduces the balance the student must pay. The University reserves the right to insist upon payment. **If the third party does not pay the promised fees within 90 days of invoicing, the student is responsible for paying the fees plus the late payment fee and accrued interest.**

### 8.10.2 Students Receiving McGill Funding

Student funding may be paid directly to your student fee account or directly deposited to your bank. Please verify the payment schedule and the method of payment on *Minerva's* Financial Aid/Award menu if you are expecting a fellowship/award.

Students who are expecting awards to be paid in early January prior to the fee deadline may reduce their payment amount by the total amount of their awards. This will avoid unnecessary credit balances to be refunded.

Please note that credit balances in student fee accounts that result from payment from fellowships/awards are refundable only after the official course "course withdrawal with full refund" deadline for each term.

### 8.10.3 External Scholarships

Students may also receive external scholarships from other organizations, outside agencies, parents' employers or community groups. These awards are typically sent directly to the University. Such students should provide the Student Accounts Office with a letter from the external body indicating the details and requirements of how the scholarship funds should be distributed, including any conditions for the award. If such information is not specified, the amount of the scholarship will be split into two terms and will be credited to the student's account as soon as the student is registered, with the second instalment credited the first working day in January. If the student does not meet the requirements of the scholarship, the funds will be returned to the external body.

Students may need an anticipated scholarship to reduce their balance owing for a given term. If so, email [student.accounts@mcgill.ca](mailto:student.accounts@mcgill.ca) with "**External Scholarships**" in the subject line, at least one week before the fee deadline as stated on the e-bill, and indicate the amount, currency (Canadian or US dollars) and agency or company issuing the scholarship. A fee deferral for the expected amount will reduce the amount owed. The deferral will expire by the end of September for the Fall term or January for the Winter term. Interest will be assessed at the prevailing rate on outstanding amounts beyond the deferral deadline.

### 8.10.4 Tuition and Fees ± Payment Deferral

Students with no outstanding tuition or fees from a prior term may request that payment(s) of tuition and fees be deferred based on self-reported demonstrated sources of funding from the university, government, or other external agencies. Such requests will be granted on a term by term basis during which time no interest or late payment charges will be applied to the fees covered by the deferral. The length of time that a fee deferral is in effect will depend on the nature of the fee deferral. For the list of deferrals and their duration, please refer to the Student Accounts website at [mcgill.ca/student-accounts/awards-assistance/tuition-fees-payment-deferral](http://mcgill.ca/student-accounts/awards-assistance/tuition-fees-payment-deferral).

Students may apply for a fee deferral via the "Defer Payment of Tuition and Fees" form through the Financial Aid/Award menu on *Minerva*, selecting the category applicable to their situation. All applicants will be verified to ensure they have self reported their situation accurately.

The *Minerva* application for deferral of tuition fees form is available in mid-July for the Fall term (mid-December for the Winter and early April for the Summer). Students who apply up to the fee deadline can be assured that the deferral will be in effect prior to interest being charged on their account.



**Note:** Students who apply late may not request cancellation of interest.

A fee deferral generally covers the amount of the Fall (Winter or Summer) term charges, which include tuition, administrative and certain academic fees, and health and dental insurance. Charges not covered by the tuition deferral include, but are not limited to, housing charges, meal plans, printing charges, or any other amounts owing that are not considered registration charges. Interest on outstanding already-billed amounts will continue to be charged on a monthly basis excluding amounts covered by the student aid tuition deferral.

Students are reminded that tuition and student housing fees have first call upon financial aid received from any source.

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## 8.12 Yearly Fees and Charges

In thesis programs, students are charged tuition based on 15 credits per term if they are registered full-time. In non-thesis programs, students are charged tuition on a per-credit basis.

Part-time, Qualifying, Special, diploma, and certificate students will be charged tuition fees at the per credit rate and all students are subject to student society fees, student services fees, athletics and recreation fees, and administrative charges.

Students who have completed the residency requirements for their program but have not yet completed the program requirements are required to be registered in a supplementary term until graduation. Where a student is in a thesis program, this is called “Additional Session” and fees will be charged each term that they are registered, including the Summer. Students required to register in a Thesis Evaluation term upon initial submission of the thesis will be charged only society and administrative fees in each term that they must be registered. Where a student is in a non-thesis program, this is called “Non-Thesis Extension” and fees will be charged in each term that they are registered. Please refer to *Program Requirements* > [section 1.7.1: Master's Degrees](#) and [section 1.7.2: Doctoral Degrees](#), found in the *Graduate* section of each faculty and school.

In the Summer term, students with a status of “Continuing” in a thesis program are not charged tuition fees, unless they are enrolled in courses which are considered extra to their program. Students in a non-thesis program taking courses in the Summer will be charged tuition and ancillary fees on a per-credit basis.

Non-unionized postdoctoral candidates are charged fees for membership to the [Post-Graduate Students' Society](#) (PGSS) and Student Services fees in both the Fall and Winter terms, as well as the PGSS Health and Dental Insurance plan.



**Note:** Please consult the [Student Accounts website](#) for the current fees payable by graduate-level students.



As a student you can download and install the entire *Microsoft 365 apps (previously ProPlus apps)* suite (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, OneNote, etc.) to your personal devices, and sync your files with the online versions in OneDrive.

Other Microsoft 365 apps include Forms (surveys and data collection), Sway (interactiv

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## 10 Resources for Study and Research

Resources for study and research at McGill University include libraries, archives, museums, laboratories, and other historical collections.

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### 10.1 Libraries

The McGill Libraries provide access to *over nine million items*, both in print and electronic formats, and consist of multiple locations and units, including the *McGill University Archives*, and the *McGill University Visual Arts Collection*. Visit [mcgill.ca/library/branches](http://mcgill.ca/library/branches) for a map of all our locations, and bring your McGill ID card if you wish to borrow physical items from our collections. Access to our electronic resources (e-books, e-journals, databases, etc.) is possible anytime and anywhere. You will be prompted to enter your McGill username and password when accessing our e-resources from off campus.

The website ([mcgill.ca/library](http://mcgill.ca/library)) is the portal to all our resources and services for your learning and research needs. There are thousands of *databases available* that you can choose from when doing a search on any topic. Librarians have created subject guides for each area of study at McGill. Each guide pulls together

### 10.2.3 McGill Writing Centre Contact Information

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MWC Tutorial Service  
Website: [mcgill.ca/mwc/tutorial-service](http://mcgill.ca/mwc/tutorial-service)  
Inquiries: [mwctutorial@mcgill.ca](mailto:mwctutorial@mcgill.ca)

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### 10.3 University Archives

The McGill University Archives (MUA) acquires, preserves, and makes available to students, faculty, staff and researchers (including the general public) more than 30,000 metres of records dating from 1797 to the present. These records document McGill University faculty, research, alumni, and student organizations, as well as certain Montreal-based organizations. Archived media include:

- textual records
- photographs
- audio tapes
- film
- video
- plans
- University publications
- artifacts

The MUA acquires private records to complement its collection of the University's documentary heritage and to support University research goals. The MUA manages the University's corporate memory and information assets through its records management program. This program manages the lifecycle of administrative

The Museum welcomes McGill students and staff to visit its permanent exhibit, which presents the history of life through the ages illustrated by material from Quebec and neighbouring regions, as well as displays that feature the mineral and mollusc collections. The Museum also features a world cultures gallery devoted to cultures throughout the world, including ancient Egypt, classical Greece and Rome, Asia, and Africa.

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Website: [mcgill.ca/redpath](http://mcgill.ca/redpath)

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## 10.5 McCord Stewart Montreal Social History Museum

The McCord Stewart Montreal Social History Museum houses one of the finest historical collections in North America. It possesses some of Canada's most significant cultural treasures, including the most comprehensive collection of clothing—comprising over 27,000 garments or accessories—made or worn in Canada; an extensive collection of First Nations objects—the most important of its kind in Quebec, with a corpus of over 16,000 objects from across Canada; and an impressive Photography collection of more than 2,150,000 historical photographs—including the 400,000 photographs of the renowned Notman Photographic Archives—which offers a unique pictorial record of Canada from pre-Confederation to the d.4.24g

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## 11 The University

McGill University is one of Canada's best-known institutions of higher learning and one of the leading universities in the world. With students coming to McGill from some 150 countries, our student body is the most internationally diverse of any research-intensive university in the country.

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### 11.1 History

The Hon. James McGill—a leading merchant and prominent citizen of Montreal, who died in 1813—bequeathed an estate of 46 acres called Burnside Place together with £10,000 to the “Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning” upon condition that the latter erect “upon the said tract or parcel of land, an University or College, for the purpose of education and the advancement of learning in this Province”; and further upon condition that “one of the Colleges to be comprised in the said University shall be named and perpetually be known and distinguished by the appellation of ‘McGill College.’”

At the time of James McGill's death, the Royal Institution, although authorized by law in 1801, had not been created, but was duly instituted in 1819. In 1821 it obtained a Royal Charter for a university to be called McGill College. Further delay was occasioned by litigation, and the Burnside estate was not acquired until March 1829. The Montreal Medical Institution, which had begun medical lectures at the Montreal General Hospital in 1822, was accepted by the College as its Faculty of Medicine in June 1829. After further litigation, the College received the financial endowment in 1835 and the Arts Building and Dawson Hall were erected. The Faculty of Arts opened its doors in 1843.

Progress, however, was slow until the 1821 Charter was amended in 1852 to constitute the members of the Royal Institution as the Governors of McGill College. Since that time the two bodies have been one. It was first called “The University of McGill College” but in 1885 the Governors adopted the name “McGill University”. Even after the amended charter was granted, little advance was made until 1855 when William Dawson was appointed Principal. When he retired 38 years later, McGill had over 1,000 students and Molson Hall (at the west end of the Arts Building), the Redpath Museum, the Redpath Library, the Macdonald Buildings for Engineering and Physics, and a fine suite of medical buildings had been erected.

Since then, the University has continued to grow and expand its programs and facilities.

**Montreal Diocesan Theological College**

Principal: Rev. Dr. Jesse Zink; B.A.(Acad.), M.A.(Chic.), M.Div.(Yale), Ph.D.(Camb.)

**Presbyterian College of Montreal**

3495 University Street, Montreal QC H3A 2A8

Principal: Rev. Dr. Roland de Vries; B.A.(Guelph), M.Div.(The Presbyterian College), S.T.M., Ph.D.(McG.)

**United Theological College of Montreal**

3475 University Street, Montreal QC H3A 2A8

Principal: Rev. Maylanne Maybee; B.A.(Tor.), Dip.Theol., Cert.Ed.(Oxon), M.Div.(Trin. Coll., Tor.)

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**11.3 University Government**

McGill University is a corporation created by a Royal Charter granted by the Crown of the United Kingdom, a general supervisory power being retained by the Crown and exercised through the Governor General as Visitor.

The Governors of the University constitute the Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning, a corporation existing under the laws of the Province of Quebec. In them is vested the management of finances, the appointment of professors, and other duties. Twelve of the governors are elected by the Board from amongst those nominated by its Nominating, Governance and Ethics Committee; three are elected by the Alumni Association; two are elected by the Senate from amongst its members; two are elected by the full-time administrative and support staff from amongst its members; two are elected by the full-time academic staff; and two are elected by students from amongst the student body. The Board elects the Chancellor of the University and also, from amongst its members, a chair to preside at its meetings. The Chancellor and the President are ex officio members.

The Chancellor is presiding officer of Convocation and of joint sessions of the Board of Governors and the Senate.

The Chair of the Board of Governors is President of the Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning.

The President and Vice-Chancellor is the chief executive officer of the University, appointed by the Board of Governors after consultation with a statutory committee. The President is, ex officio, Chair of the Senate.

The Senate is the highest academic authority of the University and has control over admission, courses of study, discipline, and degrees. The regulations of Senate are executed by the various faculties and schools, which also carry primary responsibility for the educational work of the University.

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**11.4 Recognition of Degrees**

The Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning (McGill University) is a publicly funded institution and holds a Royal Charter dated 1821 (amended in 1852) as well as being incorporated under the laws of the Province of Quebec.

McGill University was a founding member of the organization that evolved into Universities Canada and remains an active member university to this day. In addition, McGill University is a member of the American Association of Universities (A.A.U.). It is also a member of the Association of Commonwealth Universities and the International Association of Universities. Its undergraduate, professional, and graduate degrees—including doctorates in a full range of disciplines—have been recognized by educational, government, and private organizations worldwide for decades.

All of McGill's degree programs are approved by the Government of Quebec.

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**11.5 Governance: Board of Governors****11.5.1 The Visitor****The Visitor**

Her Excellency the Right Honourable Mary Simon; C.C., C.M.M., C.O.M., **Administrator of the Government of Canada**  
O.Q., C.D., Governor General and Commander-in-Chief of Canada

## 11.5.2 Board of Governors

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**President and Vice-Chancellor**

Pierre Boivin

**Chancellor**

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Bob Babinski

Arun Bajaj

Gregory David

Ariel Deckelbaum

Alan Desnokk





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Philippe Gervais

**Vice-President (Communications and Institutional Relations)**

Lesley Fellows

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**Information Studies**

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**Physical and Occupational Therapy**

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