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SKILLSETS is an initiative from Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies and Teaching and Learning Services designed to complement the research training provided by the academic experience at McGill University.

FEATURED EVENTS – Register for all events on the *SKILLSETS Calendar*

RESOURCES

Learning to Teach Day (Last chance to register)
March 23, 9:30pm-4:00pm
Do you want to improve your teaching and communication skills? This day-long workshop will review theories and techniques on grading, preparing your teaching portfolio, lecturing and student engagement.

Creating a Teaching Portfolio
Washington University in St. Louis

Meeting in the Middle: (de)Constructing Knowledge
March 15 & 16, various times
Interested in the construction, production and deconstruction of knowledge? Join us for the 12th annual Education Graduate Students' Society (EGSS) free conference.

EGSS Conference Keynote Speakers
McGill University

Networking at Conferences Workshop, EGSS Conference
March 15, 2:00pm-3:30pm
Would you like to learn more about networking? Register for the EGSS Conference to attend this 90-minute interactive, networking workshop (see pg. 12 of Program).

Learning to network
University Affairs

UPCOMING EVENTS

McGill's Disabilities Awareness Week
March 18-22, various times
Interested in sustainable, accessible and inclusive classroom practices? Join us for McGill University's 2nd Disabilities Awareness Week! Sponsored by McGill's Office for Students with Disabilities (OSD).

Disability Awareness: We're in it Together
Teaching Tolerance

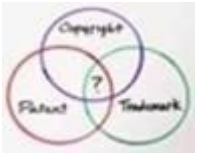
"Powerful Lives" film competition
Deadline: March 20
Interested in raising disability awareness? "Powerful Lives" is a film competition showcasing student experiences with "invisible" disabilities. The winner will receive assistance in developing a short film which will be disseminated at conferences and professional forums.

Basic Tool Kit And Resource Guide For Young Film Makers
AFI Screen Nation

Universal Design Panel and Graduate Supervision
March 20, 10:00am-11:30am

The Center for Universal Design in Education

	Are you a graduate student facing barriers in your studies? Are you seeking ways to make the most of supervision? The Office for Students with Disabilities (OSD) invites you to our panel!	University of Washington
	Safer Spaces Workshop: Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity **March 19, 2:30pm-5:00pm** Do you want to learn about sexual and gender diversity? In this workshop, participants will gain an understanding of the concepts, language and issues most relevant to the current McGill community.	Diversity Rules University Affairs
	Three Minutes to Change the World **March 21, 12:00pm-3:00pm** Are you interested in learning about graduate students' research initiatives? This is a great opportunity to learn about your peers' valuable research and network across disciplines.	3 Minute Thesis Queen's University
	Speed Networking **March 21, 5:00pm-8:00pm** Would you like to build connections with mentors from a variety of Concordia University is inviting 30 McGill graduate students to attend its Speed Networking Workshop. Register now!	Career Speed Networking Concordia University
	Human Development Brown Bag Lecture Series **March 21 & 28, April 4, 1:00pm-2:00pm** Bring your lunch and join ECP (Educational and Counselling Psychology) students for a mid-day discussion.	Learn More about Human Development United Nations Development Program (UNDP)
	McGill's Counselling Service **Winter Semester, various times** This service offers you a variety of workshops ranging in focus from dealing with academic difficulties to building life-skills. 1. **Overcoming Procrastination** **March 22, 10:00am-12:00pm** 2. **Study Skills Workshop** **March 25, 3:15pm-5:00pm** 3. **Support for Doctoral Students** **Winter Semester, various times**	Public Speaking Tips Massachusetts Institute of Technology Study Skills Resources and Videos Cornell University Dealing with Stress in Grad School UC Berkeley
	Framing Feminism: An Emerging Scholars Colloquium **Tuesday, March 26, 1-5 pm** Interested in learning more about feminism? Join members of the ISGF for this end of semester Colloquium followed by a social hour where you will have the opportunity to talk with individuals whose research engages in gender, sexuality and feminism. No registration required.	Western Feminism in a Global Perspective Student Pulse Journal
	International Student Tax Info Session **March 26, 5:30pm-6:30pm** Are you an international student looking for tax assistance? Come to the Tax Info Session presented by ISO to learn how to file your taxes and to determine your refund eligibility!	Quebec Tuition Fees and Other Student Deductions TurboTax



Intellectual Property and Patent Workshop
March 27, 1:00pm-3:00pm
Are you interested in learning more about Intellectual Property? Gain a general overview of IP through this CIPO workshop.

Learn about IP
Canadian Intellectual Property Office (CIPO)

Relaxation and Meditation
Feeling overwhelmed? Looking for peace and relaxation during the busy school year? Come find renewal and manage stress by attending these workshops.

1. **Sacred Green – Monday Meditation**
   Winter Semester, Mondays 12:30pm-1:30pm
2. **Tuesday Meditation Hour**
   Winter Semester, Tuesdays 12:30pm-1:30pm
3. **Mindfulness Stress Management**
   Winter Semester, various times
4. **Sitting Meditation**
   Winter Semester, Mondays 12:00pm-12:20pm

Meditating in Grad School: A Personal Story
Inside Higher Ed

The Power of Concentration
The New York Times

KEYS TO UNLOCKING YOUR POTENTIAL

2013 Dobson Cup
Application deadline: March 26
Do you have a great business idea? The Dobson Cup awards over $60,000 in prizes and mentorship opportunities. Open to all McGill students, faculty, staff, and alumni. Watch the promotional video here.

Dobson Centre for Entrepreneurial Studies
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Writing Tutorial Service
By appointment - 30 min sessions
Looking to improve your writing skills? The McGill Writing Centre is pleased to offer tutorial service for native and non-native English speakers. To sign up for a tutorial session click here.

What's Your Story – Magazine Writing
McGill Writing Centre

Graduate Student Writers' Group
Thursdays 4:30pm-6:30pm
Looking to discuss your progress and explore solutions regarding your thesis? Join us in sharing experiences and creating a peer network. If you are interested in attending, please email Frederic Fovet.

Essentials of Graduate Writing
University of Ottawa

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