Prepare to make your mark
Entering Class 2021-2022

Made by passion and curiosity

MADE by McGill
Congratulations!

You’re about to embark on a journey with innovative professors and talented students at the world’s 22nd most international university.

www.mcgill.ca/accepted/nextsteps

Earning a degree at Canada’s no.1 medical-doctoral university will definitely set you apart. But being surrounded by a community that inspires you to push your work further and to achieve the improbable? That’s what makes the McGill experience so valuable.

Are you ready to become a part of it?
Bonjour Montréal!

Affordable, multilingual, creative and bursting with culture, Montreal earns its stripes as one of the best student cities in the world. Its diverse vibe shines through in the unique, colourful neighborhoods that make up this iconic city. Boasting amazing restaurants and a lively arts, music and theatre scene, you’ll be engaged and inspired here. To top it all off, Montreal is one of the safest and most affordable cities in North America.

While our winters may be snowy, the weather never slows us down. We love to get outside, whether that’s playing sports in winter, or hanging out on terrasses and picnicking in parks when the weather warms up.

MONTREAL SEASONS

- **SPRING:** 9°C/20°C
- **SUMMER:** 17°C/27°C
- **FALL:** 5°C/14°C
- **WINTER:** -12°C/-4°C
Prepare for your time in Canada

Plan your finances

You should consider all possible resources such as savings, family contributions, and government aid as you build a financial plan. McGill is committed to supporting qualified undergraduates coming from around the world. Our need-based Financial Aid Program helps students from low to modest income families who may not otherwise be able to accept their offer of admission.

Immigration

Be sure to read the essential immigration and health insurance information provided in the International Student Pre-Arrival Guide. You should apply for your CAQ as soon as you’ve been admitted to McGill.

Health Plan

McGill requires all international students and their accompanying dependents to participate in the compulsory McGill International Health Insurance Plan which is administered by International Student Services.

Connect with International Student Services

McGill is home to more than 10,000 international students, who make up over 30 per cent of our student population. The Staff at International Student Services works hard to provide international undergraduate students with a host of non-academic services and resources.

Learn more about:

- The Buddy Program
- Post-Arrival webinars, workshops and events
- Airport Reception Service
- Arriving at Customs and Immigration
Connect with other newly admitted students

Connect with faculty and fellow undergraduates at our virtual events! mcgill.ca/accepted/events

Join the McGill University Entering Class of 2021-22 group: facebook.com/groups/mcgill2122

@mcgilladmissions

Connect with Campus Life and Engagement

Campus Life & Engagement (CL&E) is a proud member of Student Services and supports students at the different stages in their life at McGill. By collaborating with various University departments and student groups, CL&E acts as your go-to hub for connecting you to the resources and opportunities that will help you make the most of your time at McGill. Beyond your first year at McGill, CL&E is there to help you with leadership development, and to form peer program networks and support systems to best suit your student needs.

Connect with alumni

The transition from high school to McGill can be a challenging experience. That’s why the McGill Alumni Association invites you to join them for the Send-Offs Program. Held every summer, Send-Offs are a great way for incoming students to meet other freshmen from their area before arriving on campus.
Your ‘To Do’ List

- Calculate your costs

  Check out our Cost Guide for an estimate of what you can expect to pay for one academic year (from September to the end of April) as an undergraduate student at McGill. The Fee Calculator breaks down tuition and fees by residency status and the degree/program for an approximation of the associated tuition and fees.

- Apply for an Entrance Bursary

  To be considered for the Entrance Bursary Program, applicants must enrol in a full-time degree program and demonstrate financial need. The application becomes available on Minerva upon notification of acceptance to the University (via the Admissions Status page on Minerva).

  Apply on Minerva: select the Financial Aid/Awards tab > Financial Aid Menu > Apply for a McGill Entrance Bursary > Apply to Entrance Bursary Program > Complete then submit your application. We strongly recommend applying within 30 days from the date of formal acceptance to the University as funding for this program is limited and offered on a rolling basis until resources are exhausted.

  Canadian (citizen or permanent residents) students living outside of Canada, as well as U.S. and International students must submit a CSS Profile in addition to the McGill Minerva aid application.

- Accept your offer

  Let us know you’re coming before the deadline given in your letter of acceptance through Minerva > Application Status > Application > Accept this offer. You’ll have to make a deposit by credit card. If you don’t respond by the deadline, your place may be given to the next person on the waiting list – so be sure to confirm on time!
Apply for your CAQ & Study Permit

You should begin the process of applying for your CAQ and Study Permit as soon as you’ve been notified of your acceptance through Minerva. You’ll need to submit these to McGill as part of your legal documents (see “Send us your legal documents” for more information).

Citizens and permanent residents of Canada do not need to apply for a CAQ or Study Permit.

Find a place to live

Whether you’re looking for a quiet apartment or a vibrant dorm community, we’ve got you covered. Our Residences community is there to help you transition to living away from home, and offer you a respectful and supportive living environment. They’ll do all they can to help you flourish personally, socially and academically. If on-campus living is not for you, the Off-Campus Housing Office can guide you to finding an apartment in Montreal, whether you want to live on your own, or are looking for roommates.

Visit mcgill.ca/students/housing/offcampus.

Register for courses via Minerva

BEFORE course registration opens:

- Review the requirements for your program to help you plan your course selection: mcgill.ca/accepted/nexsteps/register.
- If you still have questions about what courses to register for, pre-registration advising is available. You’ll find advising contacts on the above website.

Do you qualify for transfer credits, advanced standing, or exemptions? Visit mcgill.ca/transfercredit/prospective.

Registration dates for new undergraduate students:

- Scholarship recipients admitted into year U0 and U1: June 11.
- If admitted into year U1 (including students completing A-Levels, CAPE, French Baccalaureate and the International Baccalaureate Diploma): June 14.

- UO students admitted to Agricultural & Environmental Sciences, Engineering (including Architecture), Nursing, Physical and Occupational Therapy, and Science: June 16.

Note: You must register for at least one course by August 14 to avoid paying a late registration fee.

Send us your legal documents

These documents are required to confirm your valid citizenship/immigration status and will determine your tuition fees. You should submit all of your legal documents after you’ve accepted your offer and before you start your studies. The documents to provide vary according to whether you’re international, a Canadian citizen or permanent resident, or a Quebec resident.

To determine what to provide, refer to mcgill.ca/legaldocuments/#what.

For instructions on how to submit your documents, refer to mcgill.ca/legaldocuments/how.

Send us your final marks

We will need your final official marks and your confirmation of graduation.

- U.S. and international high school students must ensure that their school, or the Ministry of Education in their home province, state or country sends this information to McGill.
- International Baccalaureate, Advanced Levels and AS or CAPE results must be received directly from the appropriate Examination Board.
- Advanced Placement results with a score of “4” or better or courses considered university level must be declared. Results must be received directly from the College Board or institution.
Discover your community

During Orientation Week, in late August, you’ll have a chance to meet new friends, get a taste of university life, and learn more about your new school and city.

Residence Move-In Days (Date depends on the Residence to which you’re assigned).

University-Wide Orientation: Discover McGill and First-Year Success Series Workshops.

Orientations for Specific Student Populations: Off-Campus Connects (OCX), First-Generation Welcome Reception & Orientation, Francophone Student Orientation.

Faculty and Non-Faculty Froshes.

Visit Your First Year website for more details!

Find your next challenge

McGill students are determined, passionate, and always ready for a new adventure. We have over 300 clubs, student groups, athletic teams and volunteer opportunities for you to discover.

Engage at McGill – mcgill.ca/engage - is your guide to getting involved on either campus.

Learn by doing. Because some knowledge can only be gained through experience. We can help you study in another country, find an internship to kick-start your career, or both! Visit mcgill.ca/undergraduate-admissions/student-life/learn-doing to explore McGill’s extensive Study Abroad, Internship and Research programs.

Review important fall semester dates

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Getting to Montreal

- **By plane**: You’ll land at Trudeau International Airport. You can get downtown on the public transit 747 bus, by taxi (flat rate to downtown zone), or pick up a rental car at the airport.
- **By train**: You’ll arrive at the Gare Centrale with either VIA Rail or Amtrak. This station is linked to public transit.
- **By bus**: You’ll arrive at the Gare d’autocars de Montréal. Take either public transit or a taxi to campus.

Work options/Finding a job

Many students work during the academic year or in the summer to help pay for their studies. While most jobs off-campus require French language skills, there are many jobs available on-campus that do not. Working is a great way to help finance your studies and helps you build career-related skills that can make you more marketable to employers after graduation.

The Work Study Program offers students with financial need access to clerical, research, technical, library or other jobs on campus or in some of the McGill-affiliated hospitals and organizations. A student’s acceptance to the program is based primarily on financial need.
## Contacts & Resources

### Academic Advising
- mcgill.ca/students/advising

### Athletics
- mcgillathletics.ca
- info.athletics@mcgill.ca

### Campus Life & Engagement
**McGill University**  
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### COVID-19 Information
- www.mcgill.ca/coronavirus/

### Fees & Finances
- mcgill.ca/accepted/nextsteps/finances
- student.accounts@mcgill.ca

### First Peoples' House
- mcgill.ca/fph
- firstpeopleshouse@mcgill.ca

### Étudiants francophones
- mcgill.ca/firstyear/undergraduate/your-first-year/first-year-programs/francophone

### Food & Dining Services – Residence Meal Plans
- mcgill.ca/foodservices

### International Students
- mcgill.ca/internationalstudents
- international.students@mcgill.ca

### Macdonald Campus
**Student Services**
- mcgill.ca/macdonald-studentservices
- stuserv.macdonald@mcgill.ca

### Office for Students with Disabilities
- mcgill.ca/osd
- disabilities.students@mcgill.ca

### Residences & Student Housing
- mcgill.ca/students/housing
- housing.residences@mcgill.ca

### Scholarships & Student Aid
- mcgill.ca/studentaid

### Service Point
- mcgill.ca/students/servicepoint

### Student Services
- mcgill.ca/studentservices
- student.services@mcgill.ca

### Take a virtual tour
- youvisit.com/tour/mcgill/

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**McGill University is located on land which has long served as a site of meeting and exchange amongst Indigenous peoples, including the Haudenosaunee and Anishinabeg nations. McGill honours, recognizes and respects these nations as the traditional stewards of the lands and waters on which we meet today.**

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