Procedure for Requesting Reconsideration of a Fall 2020 Admission Decision from McGill
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Applicants to specific programs whose request for admission has been denied may submit a written request for reconsideration of the admissions decision. Please note, regardless of when they are received requests will only be processed after April 1.

You may only request reconsideration if you have applied to one of the following undergraduate programs: Agricultural Sciences (Macdonald campus), Arts, Architecture, B.A. & Sc., Dietetics & Human Nutrition, Education, Engineering, Environment (in Arts or Science), Management, Nursing, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Science and Social Work. In order for your request to be reconsidered, you must:

1. Include a certified cheque or money-order in the amount of $40 payable to McGill University.
2. Mail the request and cheque to: Request for Reconsideration, Director of Admissions, McGill University, 3415 McTavish St., Montreal, Quebec, Canada H3A 0C8
3. Email a copy of your request to karil.samodai@mcgill.ca Confirm in the same email the date on which you mailed your request and the associated $40 fee. Please include your McGill I.D. number.

Your written request must include information in support of reconsideration; such as a description of significant change in your circumstances, correction of any missing or erroneous information in your application or information that you believe may have been overlooked when the original decision was made.

Decisions on Special, Visiting, Exchange and University Transfer applications are considered exceptionally on the basis of space available and requests for reconsideration are therefore not possible.

Requests for reconsideration may be submitted any time up to and including June 30. It is not normally possible for McGill to reconsider admission decisions made after June 30.

Please note that the original admission decision stands unless it is officially changed by the Admissions Office. This is a rare occurrence and takes place only when it is discovered that admission standards have been misapplied or an applicant’s academic record has been misread. During the last three years, less than 1% of admission decisions have been overturned following reconsideration. The number of applications to McGill University generally far exceeds the number of spaces available and competition for many programs is intense; many good, highly motivated students are not admitted.

The review of requests for reconsideration begins in April for US and Overseas high school applicants and in June for CEGEP, Canadian and Ontario high school applicants. Should an error or omission be discovered, the application is immediately reconsidered and any change in decision is communicated officially to the applicant. In the event that no such error is found, the request for reconsideration will be denied. This will be confirmed in writing to the applicant during the month of August.

For any undergraduate programs not listed above, inquiries regarding reconsideration should be addressed to the admissions office responsible for that program.