The Centre for Interdisciplinary Research on Montreal (CIRM) unites researchers from Quebec universities whose work focuses on topics related to urban life and more specifically Montreal. The mandate of CIRM is twofold:

1. To stimulate emerging research in Montreal studies and to unite research conducted within different disciplines and universities;
2. To develop partnerships, sets of themes, and basic and applied research projects with the economic, social, cultural, and governmental spheres of Montreal.

Therefore, CIRM’s objective is to contribute to a better understanding of the city through the intersectional research projects, as well as to promote the development of concrete projects that, while taking advantage of the knowledge acquired within the university, will affect the daily lives of Montrealers. CIRM intends to be a catalyst of knowledge about Montreal and a key player in metropolitan development.

The disciplines represented within CIRM are history, architecture, literature, translation studies, communication and language sciences, philosophy, law, political science, urban planning, geography, social work, and environmental studies. Research conducted at CIRM is anchored to one or more of the following six axes:

- Digital culture, art, literature, and performance
- Language, belonging, and plurilingualism
- Economy, social innovation, and social transformation
- Mobility, urban planning, and environment
- Governance, institution, and citizen participation
- Immigration living conditions, and religion

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