

Centre for Indigenous Peoples' Nutrition and Environment (CINE)

Membership Categories

CINE members are individuals who come primarily from the academic community and from aboriginal organizations. There are (1) Full Members, (2) McGill Associate Members, (3) Affiliated Members, (4) Visiting Members, (5) Postdoctoral Scholar/Research Associate Member, and (6) Graduate Student Members.

Benefits of membership:

1) Full Members. Full Members are senior researchers, such as faculty members at McGill University, whose principal research affiliation is with the Centre; in consequence, he/she cannot be a Full Member of more than one McGill Research Centre. Full members have several benefits which depend on availability of funds: access to research space and equipment in the CINE facility, and collaboration with Governing Board members and other CINE members. It is expected that Full Members will participate in CINE generated grant applications and projects, and will meet periodically with CINE staff. Responsibilities of Full Members include submitting their relevant activities for the CINE annual reports, and submission of signed understandings of their projects for CINE collaborative research, including participatory research techniques with communities of Indigenous Peoples. Activities with CINE support will have CINE listed on publications and programs as well as the academic and/or aboriginal affiliation of the member.

2) Associate Members. Associate members are senior research faculty members of McGill University with significant research affiliation with the Centre (a researcher can be an associate member of more than one McGill Centre). Associate Members may collaborate as research partners using the CINE collaborative understanding, and on graduate student research. Associate Members are listed on CINE documents and may access CINE facilities. Associate Members must report their activities related to CINE once each year for the annual reports. They may report CINE as an affiliation of publications, programs and other appropriate documents.

3) Affiliated Members. Affiliated Members are outside of McGill University who benefit from collaboration with CINE members on various issues related to the CINE mission. CINE Governing Board members are automatically Affiliated Members for the period they represent an organization on the Board. Affiliated Members may collaborate on graduate student research, are listed on CINE documents, and may access CINE facilities. They are kept informed of major reports and documents. Affiliated Members report their activities related to CINE once each year for annual reports, and may report CINE as an affiliation on publications, programs and other appropriate documents.

4) Visiting Members. Visiting scholars collaborating with CINE Full Members will have desk space at CINE and access other facilities and equipment in the Centre. They are expected to be research collaborators, and therefore adhere to good principles of participatory research. Visiting Members are reported in annual reports, and may use their CINE affiliation on publications, programs and other appropriate documents.

5) Postdoctoral Scholar/Research Associate Members. Postdoctoral Scholars and Research Associate Members work in partnership with CINE Full Members, have space in the CINE facility and access to the Center's resources. They are expected to adhere to principles of good participatory research under supervision of the Full Member. Their activities are reported in annual reports, and with their supervisor who is a Full Member may use their CINE affiliation on publications, programs and other appropriate documents.

6) Student Members. Student Members are registered in academic programs at McGill University, and are supervised by a Full Member or an Associate Member for projects related to the CINE mission. Student Members have access to CINE members and facilities in support of their research. They report their activities to CINE once each year for annual reports, and follow good participatory research technique. Research conducted with CINE resources have CINE listed as an affiliation in communications about their work.

Terms of membership:

Membership is initiated by completing the membership form, which includes endorsement by an existing CINE member. All Full Members and Associate Members must have a community link to a CINE Governing Board member, and provide evidence of indigenous community involvement and community endorsement related to good participatory research. All members (Full, Associate, Affiliated, Visiting, Postdoctoral Scholar/Research Associate, Student) must agree to use standard CINE participatory research agreements with communities in which their work is conducted, and submit these documents upon request.

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Approved by CINE Board