

# StudentStudentAccessibilityServicesandAchievement

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#### Accommodations and Accessibility

#### Who is Campus Life & Engagement?

Welcome to McGill! From your first steps on campus, we're here to help you feel a sense of belonging and connection to the McGill and Montreal communities. Wherever you are in your student journey, we're here for you.

Find a welcoming, caring, and professional team, including our AskMcGill Student Navigators, ready to answer your questions and guide you in your McGill journey.

Explore **peer support and mentoring programs** on campus, including the **New Student Buddy Program.** 



Build your skills and **connections** at **McGill and beyond** by participating in our activities, from social events and webinars to hands-on community initiatives and fairs.





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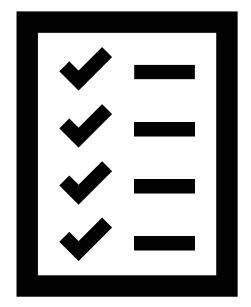
McGill University is located on land which has long served as a site of meeting and exchange amongst Indigenous peoples, including the Haudenosaunee and Anishinabeg nations. McGill honours, recognizes and respects these nations as the traditional stewards of the lands and waters on which we meet today.

More information: <u>native-land.ca</u>

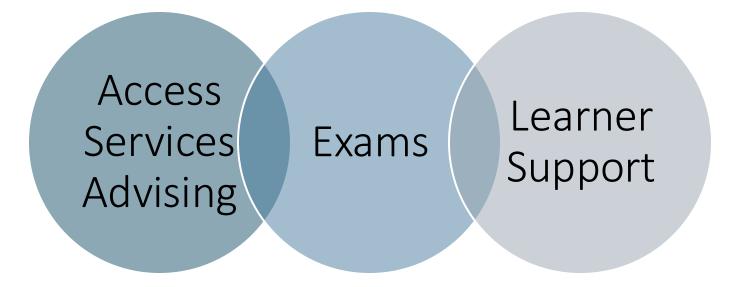
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## Agenda

- 1. Who are we?
- 2. Who do we support?
- 3. What do we do?
- 4. How do we do it?
  - Services available to registered students
  - Services available to all McGill students
  - Service available to students from care



## Student Accessibility and Achievement



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### Who do we support?

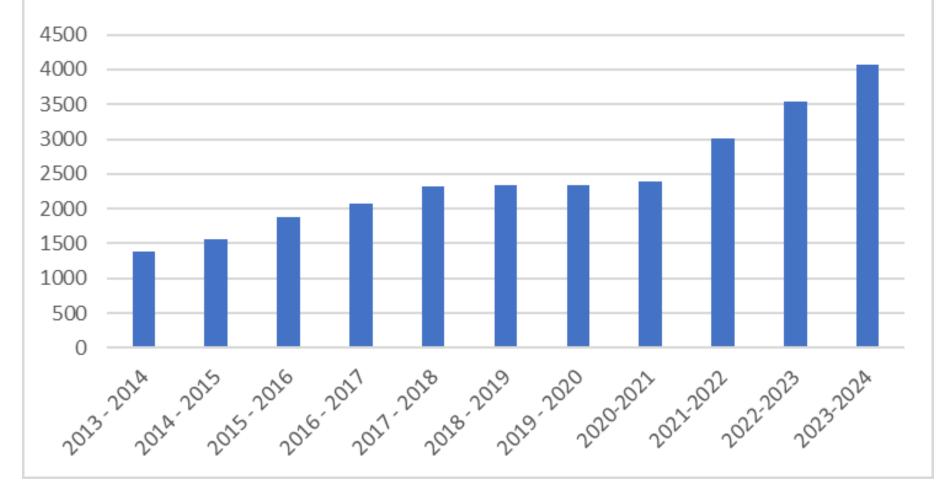
1. Students who are registered with our office

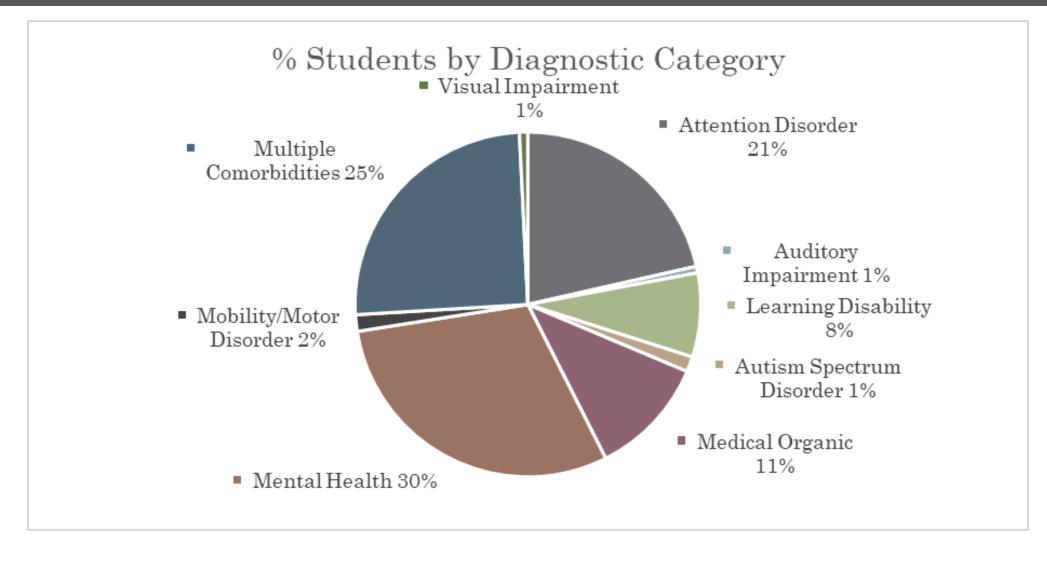
Documented disability from a medical professional

- Physical impairment
- Mental health
- Learning disability
- ADHD...
- 2. The diverse McGill student body
- 3. Support for Students from Care



Number of Students Registered with Student Accessibility and Achievement





Temporary OR PermanentEpisodic OR ChronicVisible OR Invisible

#### What Do we Do?

Empowering students to reach their academic potential by widening access to learning.

- Help McGill's diverse student body achieve their academic goals and overcome barriers
- We provide not only **academic accommodations** for students with documented disabilities but also **additional learner support** for students facing barriers in university.

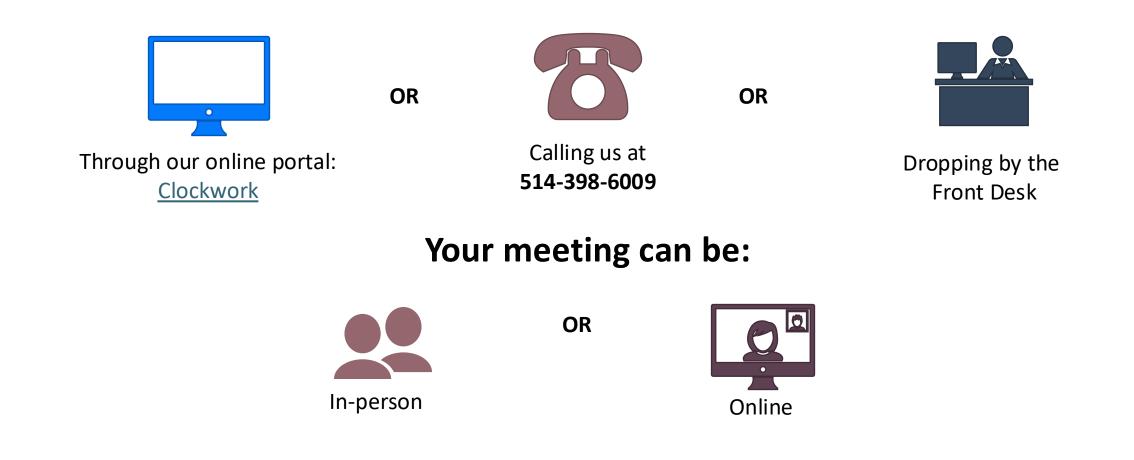
#### How Do We Do It?



#### REGISTERED STUDENTS ALL MCGILL STUDENTS STUDENTS FROM CARE

# Services Offered to Registered Students

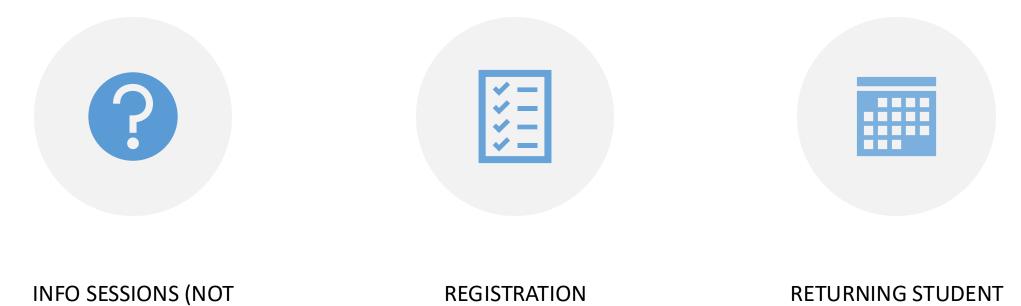
## How do you Book an Appointment?



 
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# What are the Types of Appointments Available?



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### **Required Medical Documentation**

From a licensed health care professional (Family doctor, Psychiatrist, Psychologist, etc.)

Including their signature and license number

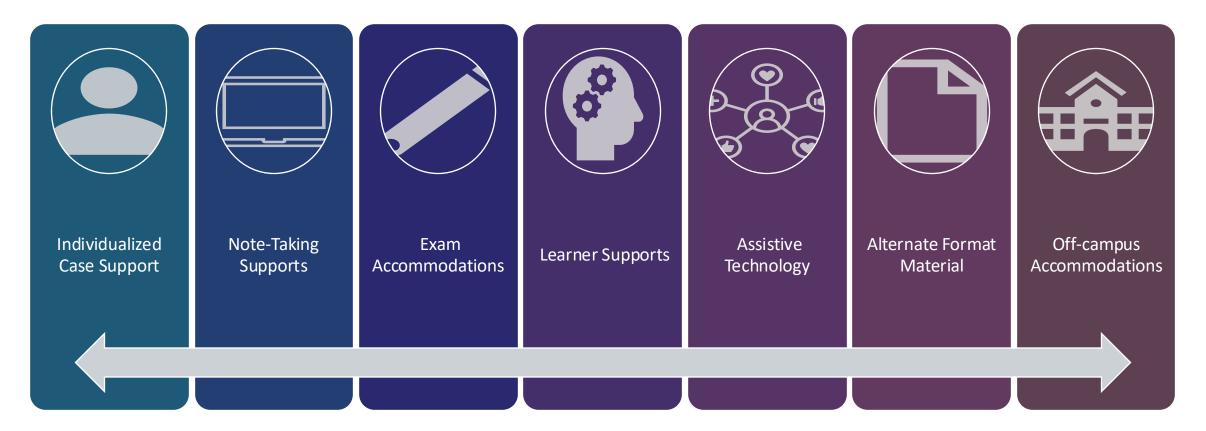
#### Ideally the SAA Referral Form

- Includes a diagnosis
- Includes how the diagnosis impacts them academically

Once you have scheduled your registration appointment, you will need to upload your medical documentation via Clockwork at least 2 business days prior to your appointment.

Please note that medical documentation is not a **pre-requisite** to make an appointment with an access advisor, but is required for registration

#### Services Offered: Registered Students



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#### What are Accommodations?

#### Definition

- Legally mandated services, supports, modifications or adjustments to the tasks, environment or to the way things are usually done that enable individuals with disabilities to have an equal opportunity to participate in an academic program or a job (U.S. Department of Education, 2007).
- Accommodations are designed to guarantee access, not success
- Accommodations should not alter the core knowledge, skills, and/or competencies that are being assessed

#### Accommodations in a Traditional Classroom Environment

- Lecture
- Exams
- Learning supports

#### Accommodations in an External Setting (in Collaboration with the Faculty)

- Scheduling
- Workload
- Environment
- Technology
- Etc.

#### Peer Programming: Registered Students Only



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 Volunteer Peer Mentor matched with a student Mentee.



Weekly check-ins that are guided by goals.



 Opportunity to learn from a fellow students who is trained in learning support, active listening and has valuable campus life experience.

# Learner Support for All McGill Students

#### Learner Support for All





PALs (Peer Assisted Learning)



Tutor Matching Program



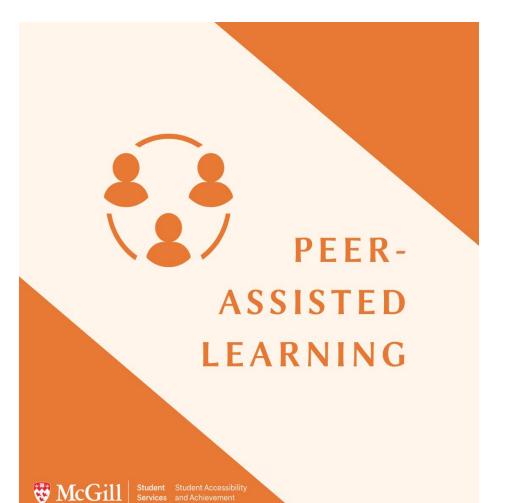
Assistive Tools and Apps



Self-Directed Learning Guides

 
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#### Peer Assisted Learning (PALs)



Course specific group review session

Weekly sessions lead by a student who Has obtained an A- in the course and has a CGPA of 3.2 \*\*Available courses shared at the end of August

Self-reflective learning and Habits of Mind

Subject specific learning and study skills

## STUDENTS FROM CARE

#### Support for Students from Care

- If you're a student with experience in youth protection, the Students from Care Program is here to connect you with resources to help you feel supported as you navigate student life and make the most of your time here.
- Students can meet with a dedicated Student Access and Support Advisor, share their experiences, excitements, concerns, and explore resources both on and off campus.
- Topics can include (but are not limited to):
  - > Academic support
  - ➢ Finances
  - ➤ Housing
  - Personal needs
  - Mental and physical health
  - > And much more!!

For more information about the program, or to book an appointment with our Student Access and Supports Advisor, please contact us at <u>achieve.care@mcgill.ca</u> or visit <u>our website!</u>



# Questions

### Contact Information

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