COUNCIL OF GRADUATE AND POSTDOCTORAL STUDIES (CGPS)

2021-2022 ANNUAL REPORT TO THE ACADEMIC POLICY COMMITTEE (APC)

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1. MANDATE (APPROVED BY SENATE ON OCTOBER 24, 2001)

The Council of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies reports to Senate through APC, and has a mandate to:

- develop, revise and approve the regulations, guidelines and policies on graduate and postdoctoral studies and so recommend to Senate following consultation with the relevant disciplinary faculties;

- participate in strategic planning for initiatives to promote and enhance graduate and postdoctoral studies;

- review and approve proposals for the creation of new graduate programs.

2. COMPOSITION (APPROVED BY APC ON NOVEMBER 18, 2021)

The composition of the CGPS was approved by Senate in October 2001, and was refined during the first years of implementation of the new administrative structure for GPS. Further amendments were subsequently approved by APC (November 16, 2017; November 18, 2021). The current composition is as follows:

- Dean of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies (GPS) – Chair (voice but no vote)
- Associate Deans of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies (GPS) (voice but no vote)
- Director of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies (GPS) (voice but no vote)
- Three representatives from each of the Faculties of Arts, Medicine and Health Sciences, and Science
- Two representatives from each of the Faculties of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Education and Engineering
- One representative from each of the Faculties of Dentistry, Law and Management
- One representative from the School of Continuing Studies
- A representative from the Schulich School of Music
- A representative from Libraries
- Vice–Principal (Research and Innovation), or delegate
- Director of Teaching and Learning Services (TLS), or delegate
- Secretary-General of the Post-Graduate Student's Society (PGSS), or delegate
- A Postdoctoral fellow
- A Graduate Student from the Faculties of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Engineering or Science
- A Graduate Student from the Faculties of Arts, Education or Management
- A Graduate Student from the Faculties of Dentistry or Medicine and Health Sciences
- A Graduate Student from the Faculty of Law or the Schulich School of Music
- Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies (GPS) Academic Affairs Officer (voice but no vote)
- Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies (GPS) Academic Affairs Officer (voice but no vote)
- Secretary to the Subcommittee on Courses and Teaching Programs (SCTP) (voice but no vote)
- Committee Secretary

With the exception of the PGSS representatives, Council members shall normally serve a maximum of two consecutive three-year terms (September to May).

3. 2021-2022 MEMBERSHIP

- Josephine Nalbantoglu, Dean, Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies (Chair)
- Lorraine Chalifour, Associate Dean, Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies
- Nathan Hall, Associate Dean, Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies
- Russell Steele, Associate Dean, Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies
- Elisa Pylkkanen, Director, Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies
- Tove Holmes, Faculty of Arts – Language, Literature, and Cultures
- Eran Shor, Faculty of Arts – Sociology
- Griet Vankeerberghen, Faculty of Arts – History and Classical Studies
- Pierre Moffatt, Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences – Anatomy and Cell Biology
- Robert Funnell, Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences – Biomedical Engineering
- Isabelle Gélinas, Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences – Physical and Occupational Therapy
- Margaret Kalacska, Faculty of Science – Geography
- Andrew Cumming, Faculty of Science – Physics
- Nicolas Moitessier, Faculty of Science – Chemistry
- Jean-Benoit Charron, Faculty of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences – Plant Science (Winter 2021)
- Stephanie Chevalier, Faculty of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences – Human Nutrition
- Limin Jao, Faculty of Education – Integrated Studies in Education
- Marie-Hélène Pennestri, Faculty of Education – Educational and Counselling Psychology
- Jinhyuk Lee, Faculty of Engineering – Mining and Materials Engineering
- Theodora Vardouli, Faculty of Engineering – Architecture
- Monzur Murshed, Faculty of Dentistry
- Brittany Williams, Faculty of Law
- Samer Faraj, Desautels Faculty of Management
- Philippe Depalle, Schulich School of Music
- María Sierra Córdoba Serrano, School of Continuing Studies
- April Colosimo, Libraries
- Benoit Boulet, Electrical and Computer Engineering (Research and Innovation)
- Carolyn Samuel, delegate to the Director, Teaching and Learning Services
- Hossein Poorhemati, delegate to the Secretary-General, Post-Graduate Students' Society
- TBA, Postdoctoral Fellow
- Soyoun Park, Graduate Student from the Faculties of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Engineering or Science
- Étienne Poirier, Graduate Student from the Faculties of Arts, Education or Management
- Jennifer Chen, Graduate Student from the Faculties of Dentistry or Medicine and Health Sciences
- Maggie Do Couto(Fall)/Nicholas Dunn (Winter), Academic Affairs Officer, Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies
- Chloe Garcia, Academic Affairs Officer, Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies
- Cindy Smith, Secretary to the Subcommittee on Courses and Teaching Programs (SCTP)
- Sarah Curci, Committee Secretary, Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies

4. COUNCIL APPROVALS IN 2021-2022

CGPS met 8 times during the 2021-2022 academic year.

4.1 New Graduate Programs

Nine (9) new graduate programs were approved in 2021-2022 by the Council of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies CGPS (two (2) from Engineering, two (2) from Interfaculty Studies, four (4) from Medicine and Health Sciences, and one (1) from Education).

Faculty	Degree/Non-Degree	Major Description	Non-thesis (NT)/ Thesis (T)	Concentration	Program's effective term (yyyy-mm)	Proposed Credits	CGPS Approval	Doc. #
Engineering	M.Sc.	Urban Planning, Policy and Design	T		202209	45	September 13, 2021	CGPS-NP-M.Sc.UrbPlanPolDes-T_R00A
	M.Sc.	Architecture	T		202309	45	May 9, 2022	CGPS-NP-MARCHT_R00
Interfaculty Studies	M.Eng.	Biological and Biomedical Engineering	NT		202201	45	October 18, 2021	CGPS-NP-M.Eng.BBME-NT_R00A
	M.Eng.	Biological and Biomedical Engineering	NT	Biomanufacturing	202209	45	April 11, 2022	CGPS-NP-BiolBioEngBiomNT_R00
Medicine and Health Sciences	Gr. Cert.	Translational Research			202209	15	December 13, 2021	CGPS-NP-Gr.Cert.TransResearch-NT_R00A
	Gr. Cert.	Foundations in Health Science Education			202209	15	January 17, 2022	CGPS-NP-Gr.Cert.FoundHSE_R00
	M.Sc.	Experimental Surgery	NT	Oncology	202209	45	March 14, 2022	CGPS-NP-ExSurOnc_R00
	M.Sc.	Family Medicine	T	Global Health	202209	45	April 11, 2022	CGPS-NP-FamMedGloHealthT_R00
Education	M.A	Second Language Education	NT	Project	202209	45	February 14, 2022	CGPS-NP-MA_SLE_NTProject_R00

4.2 Major Revisions to Graduate Programs

There was one major revision to graduate programs to approve in 2021-2022.

Faculty	Degree/Non-Degree	Major Description	Non-thesis (NT)/ Thesis (T)	Concentration	Program's effective term (yyyy-mm)	Existing Credits	Proposed Credits	CGPS Approval	Doc. #
Medicine and Health Sciences	M.Sc.	Mental Health	T		202209	45	45	September 13, 2021	CGPS-MRP-M.Sc.MentalHealth-T_R00A

4.3 Minor and Moderate Revisions to Graduate Programs

Fifty-six (56) minor and moderate revisions to graduate programs were approved in 2021-2022 by the Council of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies CGPS (seventeen (17) from Arts, two (2) from Engineering, five (5) from Education, two (2) from Management, six (6) from Music, eighteen (18) from Medicine and Health Science, five (5) from School of Continuing Studies, and one (1) from Agricultural and Environmental Sciences).

Faculty	Degree/Non-Degree	Major Description	Non-thesis (NT)/ Thesis (T)	Concentration	Program's effective term (yyyy-mm)	Existing Credits	Proposed Credits	CGPS Approval	Doc. #
Arts	M.A.	Hispanic Studies	NT		202201	48	45	October 18, 2021	CGPS-RPTP_2021.10.18
	M.A.	Anthropology	T	Development Studies	202209	45	45	March 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.03.14
	M.A.	Anthropology	T	Environment	202209	45	45	March 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.03.14
	M.A.	Anthropology	T	Gender and Women's Studies	202209	45	45	March 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.03.14
	M.A.	Anthropology	T	Medical Anthropology	202209	45	45	March 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.03.14
	M.A.	Anthropology	T	Gender and Women's Studies	202209	45	45	March 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.03.14
	M.A.	Linguistics	T		202209	45	45	March 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.03.14
	M.A.	Linguistics	NT		202209	45	45	March 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.03.14
	Ph.D.	Linguistics	T		202209	0	0	March 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.03.14
	M.S.W.	Social Work	NT	Gender and Women's Studies	202209	45	45	March 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.03.14
	M.S.W.	Social Work	NT		202209	45	45	March 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.03.14
	M.S.W.	Social Work	T	Gender and Women's Studies	202209	45	45	March 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.03.14
	M.S.W.	Social Work	T		202209	45	45	March 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.03.14
	Ph.D.	Political Science	T		202209	0	0	March 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.03.14
	M.A.	Economics	NT		202301	45	45	May 9, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.05.09

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	M.A.	Economics	NT	Population Dynamics	202301	45	45	May 9, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.05.09
	M.A.	Economics	NT	Development Studies	202301	45	45	May 9, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.05.09
Engineering	Ph.D.	Chemical Engineering	T		202209	0	0	March 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.03.14
	M.Arch.	Professional	NT		202301	60	60	April 11, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.04.11
Education	Gr.Cert.	Pedagogie de l'immersion francaise			202209	15	15	February 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.02.14
	M.A.	Second Language Education	NT		202209	45	45	February 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.02.14
	M.A.	Kinesiology and Physical Education	T		202209	45	45	March 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.03.14
	M.Sc.	Kinesiology and Physical Education	T		202209	45	45	March 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.03.14
	Ph.D.	Kinesiology Sciences	T		202209	0	0	March 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.03.14
Management	M.M.	Manufacturing Management	NT		202205	56	56	March 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.03.14
	M.M.	Retailing	NT		202209	45	45	March 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.03.14
Music	Ph.D.	Music	T	Composition, Music Education, Musicology, Music Technology, Sound Recording, Theory, Interdisciplinary Studies	202201	0	0	September 13, 2021	CGPS-RPTP_2021.09.13
	Ph.D.	Music	T	Gender and Women's Studies	202201	0	0	September 13, 2021	CGPS-RPTP_2021.09.13
	M.A.	Music	T	Musicology: Gender and Women's Studies	202209	45	45	January 17, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.01.17
	M.A.	Music	T	Musicology: Gender and Women's Studies	202209	45	45	January 17, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.01.17
	Gr. Art. Dip.	Performance			202209	30	30	March 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.03.14
	M.Mus.	Performance	T	Conducting	202209	45	45	March 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.03.14

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Medicine and Health Sciences	M.Sc.A.	Nurse Practitioner	NT	Primary Care	202209	45	45	December 13, 2021	CGPS-RPTP_2021.12.13
	Gr. Cert.	Primary Care Nurse Practitioner	NT		202209	15	27	December 13, 2021	CGPS-RPTP_2021.12.13
	Gr. Dip.	Primary Care Nurse Practitioner	NT		202209	30	30	December 13, 2021	CGPS-RPTP_2021.12.13
	M.Sc.	Rehabilitation Science	NT		202209	45	45	February 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.02.14
	M.Sc.	Rehabilitation Science	T		202209	45	45	February 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.02.14
	Ph.D.	Rehabilitation Science	T		202209	0	0	February 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.02.14
	M.Sc.	Experimental Medicine	T	Digital Health Innovation	202209	45	45	February 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.02.14
	M.Sc.A.	Occupational Therapy	NT		202209	63	63	February 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.02.14
	M.Sc.	Experimental Surgery	NT		202209	45	45	March 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.03.14
	Gr.Dip.	Medical Radiation Physics			202209	30	30	April 11, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.04.11
	Ph.D.	Nursing	T		202209	0	0	April 11, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.04.11
	Gr.Dip.	Oncology			202209	30	30	April 11, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.04.11
	Ph.D.	Biochemistry	T		202301	0	0	May 9, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.05.09
	Ph.D.	Biochemistry	T	Bioinformatics	202301	0	0	May 9, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.05.09
	Ph.D.	Biochemistry	T	Chemical Biology	202301	0	0	May 9, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.05.09
	M.Sc.	Biochemistry	T		202301	45	45	May 9, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.05.09
	M.Sc.	Biochemistry	T	Bioinformatics	202301	45	45	May 9, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.05.09

	M.Sc.	Biochemistry	T	Chemical Biology	202301	47	45	May 9, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.05.09
School of Continuing Studies	Gr. Cert.	Entrepreneurship			202201	15		October 18, 2021	CGPS-RPTP_2021.10.18
	Diploma	Management		Entrepreneurship	202201	30		October 18, 2021	CGPS-RPTP_2021.10.18
	Gr.Cert.	Public Relations and Communications Management Practice			202209	30	15	February 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.02.14
	Gr.Cert.	Strategic Public Relations and Communications Management			202209	30	15	February 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.02.14
	Gr.Dip.	Legal Translation			202209	30	30	February 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.02.14
Agricultural and Environmental Sciences	M.Sc.A.	Human Nutrition	NT	Dietetics Credentialing	202209	83	83	January 17, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.01.17

4.4 Graduate Program Retirements

Eleven (11) graduate programs were retired and approved in 2021-2022 by the Council of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies CGPS (one (1) from Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, one (1) from Arts, two (2) from Engineering, two (2) from Medicine and Health Science, one (1) from Science, and four (4) from School of Continuing Studies.)

Faculty	Degree/Non-Degree	Major Description	Non-thesis (NT)/ Thesis (T)	Concentration	Program's effective term (yyyy-mm)	Existing Credits	CGPS Approval	Doc. #
Agricultural and Environmental Sciences	M.Sc.	Renewable Resources	NT	Environmental Assessment	202209	45	January 17, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.01.17
Arts	M.A.	Economics	NT	Social Statistics	202301	45	May 9, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.05.09
Engineering	M.Arch.	Post-Professional	NT	Architectural History and Theory	202301	45	May 9, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.05.09
	M.Arch.	Post-Professional	NT	Urban Design and Housing	202301	45	May 9, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.05.09
Medicine and Health Sciences	Gr. Cert.	Graduate Certificate (Gr. Cert.) Theory in Primary Care (15 credits)	NT		202209	15	December 13, 2021	CGPS-RPTP_2021.12.13
	Ph.D.	Nursing	T	Psychosocial Oncology	202209	0	April 11 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.04.11

Science	PhD	Psychosocial Oncology	T	Bioinformatics	202209	0	January 17, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.01.17
School of Continuing Studies	Gr. Cert.	Professional Communication: Spanish			202201	18	November 15, 2021	CGPS-RPTP_2021.11.15
	Gr.Dip.	Public Relations and Communications Management			202301	30	February 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.02.14
	Gr.Cert.	Public Relations Management			202305	15	February 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.02.14
	Gr.Cert.	Professional Accounting			202209	24	February 14, 2022	CGPS-RPTP_2022.02.14

4.5 Cotutelle (Joint Thesis Supervision) Agreements

A cotutelle is an agreement of joint supervision at the doctoral level between two cooperating institutions, a Ph.D. student and their co-supervisors. The goal of such an agreement is to enhance student training and experience, and to facilitate collaboration and cooperation between the partner institutions. These agreements give students the benefit of carrying out doctoral research at two different institutions under the guidance of two supervisors with a pre-existing or emerging collaboration.

Ten (10) Cotutelle agreements were signed in 2021-2022.

Partner Institution	McGill Program	CGPS – reported for information only	Doc. #
Université Paris-Saclay	Electrical Engineering	May 9th 2022	CGPS-RPTCA_2022.05.09
Sorbonne Université	Music	May 9th 2022	CGPS-RPTCA_2022.05.09
École centrale de Lyon	Mechanical Engineering	May 9th 2022	CGPS-RPTCA_2022.05.09
École des hautes études en sciences sociales (ÉHÉSS)	History and Classical Studies	May 9th 2022	CGPS-RPTCA_2022.05.09
Université de Lille	Music	May 9th 2022	CGPS-RPTCA_2022.05.09
Université de Lausanne	Law	May 9th 2022	CGPS-RPTCA_2022.05.09
Sorbonne Université	Hispanic Studies	May 9th 2022	CGPS-RPTCA_2022.05.09
Université de Bordeaux	Physics	May 9th 2022	CGPS-RPTCA_2022.05.09
Institut national de la recherche agronomique	Animal Science	May 9th 2022	CGPS-RPTCA_2022.05.09
Université de Clermont Auvergne	Physiology	May 9th 2022	CGPS-RPTCA_2022.05.09

4.6 Joint and Dual Degree Programs

- **Kyoto-McGill International Collaborative PhD Program in Genomic Medicine**

  This Joint degree program started in 2018 in partnership with Kyoto University, an institution that is part of Japan's "Top Global University Project". Cohorts follow a common curriculum in Genomic Medicine approved by the Japanese government. At McGill, the students are based in the Human Genetics PhD program. McGill and Kyoto University jointly select and admit students. Students pursue their programs and spend consecutive terms at both institutions.

  Currently, there are twelve (12) students pursuing this Joint PhD degree. In 2021-2022, one student was admitted in the Summer 2022 term. Two (2) students have graduated (Fall 2022 convocation).

- **Dual Master's and Joint PhD in Public Health Data Science**

    McGill University has partnered with University of Bordeaux to offer a Dual Degree in Public Health Data Science (MSc). The program was approved and funded by the French government as part of "écoles universitaires de recherche" in October 2017. At McGill, it is jointly administered by the Department of Epidemiology, Biostatistics, and Occupational Health. Bordeaux's program focuses heavily on data science, while McGill's program focuses on foundational courses in epidemiology, biostatistics, and public health. Both programs complement each other's strengths.

    Two (2) students graduated with a Dual Master's in Summer 2020. The program was on hold during the 2020-2021 academic year due to the pandemic. Three (3) students participated in the program in Fall 2021.

- **Dual Master's Degree in Neuroscience and Biomedical Engineering**

    The University of Electronic Science and Technology of China (UESTC) is a Class A "Double First Class University" with strengths in engineering and computer science whereas McGill is #1 in graduate neuroscience in Canada. Together, the two institutions are able to offer a cooperative program of immersive and integrated international experience at the Master's level. The program is structured and cohort-based, with the courses delivered in China and a research semester taken at McGill.

    The first cohort of 14 students in the dual degree started at UESTC in Fall 2020 and entered the McGill program in Fall 2021. Due to the pandemic, the McGill courses were delivered remotely to students located in China. In the future, it is expected that McGill faculty will travel to China to deliver the courses. All the dual degree students are co-supervised by a McGill professor and a UESTC professor, and they spend a semester at McGill conducting research for their thesis. Three students spent Winter 2022 at McGill, while the remaining 11 students spent Summer 2022 at McGill.

- **Dual Master's Degree in Law**

    The Faculty of Law has partnered with KU Leuven to organize a Dual Degree pathway for students who wish to do the Master of Laws (LLM) Thesis program at McGill and either the Master of Laws (LL.M.) or the Master in de Rechten at KU Leuven. The cohorts will do their first year at either institution, to then spend the second year abroad at the other, completing the second degree. The agreement is signed by both Parties.

Joint and Dual Degree Programs Currently Underway:

Partner Institution	McGill Program	Program at the Partner Institution	Type of Program
Kyoto University	Human Genetics	Genomic Medicine	Joint Ph.D.
Université de Bordeaux	Epidemiology	Santé Publique, parcours Public Health Data Science	Dual Master's
Université de Bordeaux	Biostatistics	Santé Publique, parcours Public Health Data Science	Dual Master's
Université de Bordeaux	Public Health (NT)	Santé Publique, parcours Public Health Data Science	Dual Master's
University of Electronic Science and Technology of China	Neuroscience	Biomedical Engineering	Dual Master's
KU Leuven	Law	Master of Laws and Master in de Rechten	Dual Master's

4.7 New Student Exchange Partnership Approved at Graduate Level

There were no student exchange partnerships at the graduate level to approve in 2021-2022.

4.8 Regulations/Policies

There were revisions to the following section in the Graduate Regulations or Policies in 2021-2022.

- Clarifications to the regulation on Graduate Student Research Progress Tracking
- Clarifications to the Ph.D. Comprehensives Policy
- New regulation on Courses taken as an Admission Requirement

5. COUNCIL PLANS AND PRIORITIES FOR 2022-2023

- New program development
- Promotion and implementation of Individual Development Plans
- Supervision and mentorship

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