# **GPC 101**

**Useful links and information for Graduate Program Coordinators** 

- The GPC is the point of contact for prospective and current students regarding graduate program and university regulations, fellowships and admissions;
- They provide administrative support for the graduate program, faculty, graduate students, and assist the GPD;
- They are the administrative link between the program and GPS, Enrolment Services (ES) and Student Accounts.

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# **System Access & Training**

- Student Admissions System (Slate)
  - Training available on myCourses
    Register on Minerva: SLT 100 Intro to Slate for Graduate Admissions
- Student Information System (SIS)
  - <u>SIS authorization</u> is required to access Minerva student records, Banner, myProgress, myThesis, and Data Warehouse (DWH)
- Minerva Student Records Administration Menu (SR Admin)
  - Log in to <u>IT KnowledgeBase</u> to consult information on Minerva menu options for student record administrators
- Financial Aid & Award Administration (FAA) and Banner Student Aid (BSA)
  - Ensure you have <u>Award Processing Authorization</u>
  - ♦ Financial Aid & Award Administration Toolkit
    - ♦ Contact <u>student.funding@mcgill.ca</u>

#### **Student Records**

- Student Records Administration Menu (SR Admin) on Minerva
  - ♦ Academic History Menu
  - ◆ Catalogue and Schedule Menu (course catalogue)
  - ♦ Graduate Supervisor Assignment
  - Graduation Menu
- myProgress (monitoring students' progress towards the degree)
  - Weekly myProgress/myThesis clinics
- Minerva Reports
  - ♦ Log in > Reports > Student Data Warehouse Query
    - ♦ Selecting the Term will list ALL REGISTERED graduate students in the program
  - ♦ Log in > Student, Finance, HR, Payroll, Research and General Reports
    - Filter on Statistics Reports > SZRA1010 Admissions stats sorted by degree (weekly)
    - ♦ Filter on General Reports > SZRA2370 − Detailed grad applicants report
    - ♦ Filter on General Reports > SZRACONF Admissions confirmation report
- Student Record Change
  - ♦ Add a language requirement
  - Flag repeated courses
  - ♦ Flag courses as extra (graduate level only)
  - Student Status Change (i.e. full-time to half-time)

- Student Record Forms Graduate Students
  - Request for a University Withdrawal
  - ◆ Leave of Absence (LOA) and Request for a Leave
  - Admission of former students and Request for Readmission
  - Request Registration/Course Changes (including request to take an undergraduate course)

#### International Students

- International Student Services
  - Applying for immigration documents (CAQ application guide, study permit application guide)
  - Renewing immigration documents
  - What to consider for international students going on Leave of Absence
  - ♦ Contacting ISS: myISS
- <u>Legal Documents</u>
  - ◆ In order to prevent registration holds, international students must submit a copy of their valid CAQ and Study Permit to Legal Documents
  - ♦ Thesis Away webform

# **Graduate Funding**

- Funding Staff website
  - Award processing best practices
  - Competition Toolkit
- Graduate Fee Calculator
  - Degree Progression (Full-time vs Additional Session)
  - ◆ Deferral of Fees
- BSA (Banner Student Aid) Reporting
  - Pull reports from BSA for awards by Student ID or all awards by Aid Fund Code (AFC)
    Requires Data Warehouse Access

#### **Thesis & Graduation**

- Thesis deadlines
- Graduation deadlines
- Initial Thesis submission
  - ◆ All Master's and PhD students must use the <u>myThesis platform</u> to submit their initial thesis and the completed initial thesis submission checklist.
- <u>Final Thesis submission</u> (Final thesis submission is mandatory via Minerva)
- Thesis examination process
- Evaluation of a Written Thesis
- Setting up a PhD Oral Defence
- Graduation
  - ♦ Minerva Graduation approval (Department): SR Admin > Graduation Menu



# **Wellbeing & Student Services**

- <u>Dean of Students</u> (e.g., helping students in difficulty, student rights and responsibilities, academic integrity)
- Student Services, including:
  - Student Wellness Hub and Local Wellness Advisor
  - <u>Student Accessibility & Achievement</u> (formerly known as the *Office for Students with Disabilities*)

# **Professional Development for Graduate Students**

- Individual Development Plan (myPath)
  - Tools and resources
  - Workshops and events
  - myPath video series
- SKILLSETS: Professional development workshops for graduate students
  - ♦ Would You Fund It? (Fellowship application review)
  - ♦ Three Minute Thesis competition
- <u>Graphos</u>: Writing and communication programming for graduate students
  - Writing courses
  - ♦ Fellowship writing support
  - ♦ Thesis writing groups
- <u>CaPS: Career Planning Service</u>
- Doctoral Internship Program (DIP)

#### **Graduate Policies**

- <u>eCalendar Programs, Courses & University Regulations</u>
  - ♦ Regulations on Graduate Student Research Progress Tracking
    - ♦ GPD Graduate Student Research Progress Tracking Form
  - Regulations on Graduate Student Supervision
  - Ph.D. Comprehensives Policy
  - Policy on Admission of Former Students
  - ♦ Time Limitation Policy
  - ♦ Failure Policy in Graduate Studies

#### **Additional Resources**

- Future Graduate Students website
  - <u>Program information</u> based on the eCalendar
  - ♦ Application instructions
  - Recruitment events
- GradHub (resource for incoming graduate students)
- Graduate Supervision website
- Service Point
- Post Graduate Students' Society (PGSS)
- <u>First People's House</u> and <u>Indigenous Access McGill (AIM)</u>

## **Key Contacts**

- Graduate Program contacts (list of GPCs and GPDs; ensure your program's information is up to date)
  - Add/remove a GPC (or GPD) on the Graduate Program or Postdoctoral Contact lists
  - ♦ Subscribe to the GradProg listserv
- Graduate Services contacts
  - ♦ Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies contacts
    - Prospective graduate student inquiries: gradapplicants.gps@mcgill.ca
    - ♦ Cotutelles/joint degree inquiries: <u>academicprograms.gps@mcgill.ca</u>
    - ♦ Funding inquiries: graduatefunding.gps@mcgill.ca
    - ♦ Thesis inquiries: <a href="mailto:thesis.gps@mcgill.ca">thesis.gps@mcgill.ca</a>
    - ♦ myProgress inquiries: myProgress.gps@mcgill.ca
  - Enrolment Services contacts
    - ♦ For Admissions-related inquiries, please contact your Faculty's Admissions Officer
    - ♦ Academic record inquiries and follow up on webforms: <a href="mailto:gradstudentrecords.es@mcgill.ca">gradstudentrecords.es@mcgill.ca</a>
    - ♦ Postdoctoral inquiries: <u>postdocrecords@mcgill.ca</u>
    - ♦ Graduate Research Trainee (GRT) inquiries: <u>gradresearchtrainee.es@mcgill.ca</u>