You've made it to March!

We hope you had a good week off while staying warm and healthy.

Reminder: Daylight saving time begins on Sunday 12th March. Put your clocks ahead by one hour and spring forward!

As you get ready to finish out the semester, here are some upcoming programs to add to your calendar:

- McGill-UQAC Explore Program
- Renewing your Immigration Documents
- Permanent Residence applications for Quebec
- Tax Sessions for International Students
- IHI and Accessing Healthcare in Quebec
- Try a Montreal Bagel - At Mac Campus
- Finding Jobs in Canada - Immigration Rules and Regulations

ISS is hiring! It isn’t too late to apply to work at ISS! We are hiring a Communications Assistant to work full time this summer and part time through the 2023-2024 academic year. Must have Work Study Approval. Please apply to Job ID 190348 in MyFuture.

Best wishes,
The International Student Services Team

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PROGRAMS AND RESOURCES

Quebec: Permanent Residence Info Session

Le ministère de l’Immigration, de la Francisation et de l’Intégration (MIFI) and Montréal International invites international students who wish to establish residence in Quebec to find out more about how to apply for PR via Quebec.

Register: Monday, March 27th, 12pm - 2pm ET (English)
Register: Thursday, March 30th, 1pm - 3pm ET (French)
Webinar: How to Renew Your Immigration Documents

Are your immigration documents expiring soon and do you want some guidance before you begin your renewal application? Join our online webinar on renewing immigration documents led by an ISS Immigration Advisor.

Register: Thursday, March 9th, 2pm - 3:30pm ET

McGill-UQAC Explore Program

Join this Info Session to learn about the McGill-UQAC French Immersion Program and how to apply.

Program Details:

- Accepted students receive a $3,000 award to participate in the spring or summer program
  - Program Total Cost: $4565.12
  - Any student who wishes to participate in the French Explore Program but faces financial barriers may apply to the EEO Bursary Program to help defray additional costs
- 5-week in-person program at the University of Quebec at Chicoutimi
- Cultural activities (ex. museum visits, cooking, improv, film, dance, etc.)
- Program Website/Application
- Open to all undergraduate international students

Find out more!

Register for the Info Session: Friday, March 10th, 12pm - 1pm ET

Peer Pathways for International Grad Students

The joys, needs and struggles of graduate school have a whole different flavour when experienced through the lens of an international student (or with the perspective of an international student). GPS and ISS invite you to participate in this special edition workshop created by myPath to help you write your own Individual Development Plan (IDP) from an international student's perspective.
Income Tax Sessions for International Students

The Canada Revenue Agency and Revenue Quebec will present together to give you the information you need to file both your provincial and federal income tax returns in one session.

Wednesday March 15th, 1pm - 3pm ET
Tuesday, March 21st, 2pm - 4pm ET
Register via the Frugal Scholars Website

Try a Montreal-style Bagel with ISS (Mac Campus)

ISS invites you to warm up your spirit with a bagel and cream cheese and a warm cup of coffee. Get ready to experience the Montreal bagel in all its glory: plain, sesame, poppy, all-dressed, chocolate, and more! Everything's free!

Monday, March 20th, 11:30am - 1pm ET
Register on myInvolvement

Finding Jobs in Canada Series

Part I: Canadian Job Search
Wednesday, March 22nd at 1pm

Part II: Immigration Rules and Regulations
Thursday, March 23rd at 2pm

Part III: Transition from International Student to Expat Grad
Tuesday, March 28th at 5pm

Want to share your knowledge and help new international students?
Be a Buddy Volunteer!

The International Buddy program is currently recruiting volunteers for Fall 2023!
We expect over 1000 new international student applicants wishing to be connected with a seasoned McGill Student. With the International Buddy Program, you can:

- Make a difference in a new student's life.
- Supplement your co-curricular record.
- Meet new students and ease their transition to Montreal/McGill.

Not sure what to say? The program training webinar, which covers topics like intercultural communication, will get you ready.

Apply NOW

Still have questions? E-mail us at international.buddy@mcgill.ca

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**MARCH CELEBRATIONS AROUND THE WORLD**

- March 1: Baba Marta
- March 1: Yap Day
- March 1: Mărțișor
- March 3: Hinamatsuri
- March 5: Full Moon Day of Tabaung
- March 6: Madin Full Moon Poya Day
- March 6-7: Purim
- March 8: Doljatra
- March 8: Holi
- March 17: St. Patrick's Day
- March 19: Feast of Saint Joseph's Day
- March 19: Laetare Sunday
- March 20: Nowruz
- March 22: Ugadi
- March 22: Gudi Padwa
- March 22: First Day of Ramadan
- March 30: Ram Navami

**If we missed a celebration in your country or region, send us more information at events.iss@mcgill.ca!**

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