



Transfer Credit Instructions

The following steps must be completed to ensure the courses you take on while on a term away (e.g. Exchange, Study Away, IUT) will count for transfer credits towards your BCL/JD:

- A. Choose courses at Host Institution
- B. Complete Transfer Credit Assessment Form (Minerva)
- C. If courses not in Form, complete McGill Course Equivalency Process

How To: Complete your Transfer Credit Assessment Form

- Log into [Minerva](#), select the Exchange/Study Away Menu, select the Transfer Credit Assessment form. Search for the courses from your Host Institution to see if any of the law courses you are taking on exchange have previously been approved. If you find the courses you are taking on exchange, you can add them to your form. Once added, email exchanges.law@mcgill.ca to let us know that you have completed the form. We will then assess your courses for your program.

If you are unable to find all of your courses on the Minerva Transfer Credit Assessment form, follow the next two steps:

- Log into the [McGill Course Equivalency Database](#), select Home, then select Submit a new course request. Students must submit a new request for every course they wish to take on exchange and include the course outline with every request. All Law courses are to be submitted using the McGill Course Code LAWG. For non-law courses, select the appropriate McGill Course Code that best matches the course. Once approved, students will receive a confirmation email.
- Once the courses are approved in the database, log into Minerva, select the Exchange/Study Away Menu, select the Transfer Credit Assessment form. Search for then add the courses you are completing on exchange to your form, then email exchanges.law@mcgill.ca once you have completed the form. We will then assess your courses for your program.

Please see the next page for a step-by-step instructions for the McGill Course Equivalency Database.



McGill Course Equivalency Process

In order for your courses to be approved on Exchange at your host institution, please read the following information carefully using the McGill's [Course Equivalency System](#).

For further information, consult the McGill Course Equivalency [FAQ section for students](#).

Log into the [McGill Course Equivalency Database](#),

- ➔ Select Home.
- ➔ Submit a new course request.
- ➔ Students must submit a new request for every course they wish to take on exchange and include the course outline with every request.
- ➔ **All Law courses are to be submitted using the McGill Course Code LAWG.**
- ➔ For non-law courses, select the appropriate McGill Course Code that best matches the course. Once approved, students will receive a confirmation email.

SUBMITTING NEW REQUEST

Under 'Course Equivalency' (left side)"Submit a new Request"

Course Equivalency System

Course Equivalency > Home

Course Equivalency

Search

Submit a new Request

Search for an Equivalency Request

Search

My Outstanding Requests

View Pending Assessments



Complete the necessary information below + upload PDF course outline

New Course Equivalency request

External Course details

Before you submit your request, you need:

- The external course details (e.g. institution name including campus if applicable) course number and title
- Course syllabus (PDF version in English/French) – check the syllabus requirements list [here](#) to make sure it includes all the necessary details
- AUs (Engineering only)

Tip: repeat the external course title in the course number field without any spaces when that information is not available.

Important Notes:

- **Course Equivalency decisions made in this system are not student-specific.** To determine what transfer credits you may be eligible for, you must use the *Minerva Transfer Credit Assessment Form*.
- **Your application for study away/exchange must first have been approved before you submit a course equivalency request.**
- You **cannot** submit a new equivalency request if an *unexpired* decision already exists for an external course and a McGill subject/course. For example, if PSYC218 at UBC is equivalent to PSYC204 at McGill, you cannot submit a new request for PSYC218 to be reviewed against another PSYC course at McGill.
- For **Special Topics** courses - if the external course is one where the topic changes **each term**, add 'Special Topics' in the course title, and enter the actual topic in the comments field. If the topic is valid for a few years, then add it as a regular title for the course. For example, 2092FG at University of Western Ontario should have **Special Topics** in the course title, and in the comments: **The Many Faces of Harry Potter**.
- The list of institutions is pre-approved.



Institution Name *

Course Number *

Course Title *

Syllabus *

AUs
(Mandatory for
Engineering courses only)

Upload

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New Course Equivalency request

McGill Course details

- If you are **not a Law student**, and you are submitting a Law course equivalency, make sure you select **LAWG** from the **Subject** list.
- **NEVER select the subject code TRNS.** This is not a valid subject code for a course equivalency request.
- If you cannot find a matching McGill **Subject**, place a checkmark next to **No Matching Subject**. For example, Swedish is not offered at McGill, you can select **LANG Foreign Language Transfer Course** from the Area of Study list.
- If you cannot find a matching McGill **Course Number**, place a checkmark next to **No Matching Course Number** and click **Next**. The Reviewer will determine the course number.



Subject *

No Matching Subject

Course Number *

No Matching Course Number



In order to submit a new course equivalency request, you must ensure that the course does not exist in the database and that you have the course syllabus ready in PDF format.

1. Go to www.mcgill.ca/course-equivalency
2. Click on Login and sign in with your McGill Username and Password
3. Once signed in, click on Menu
4. Click on Submit a New Request
5. Follow the onscreen instructions (screenshots above)

Once your request is submitted, you will be issued a request number, sent an email with your request details, and your request is automatically sent to the appropriate reviewer.

Next, once the new course equivalence you have submitted has been assessed and approved, you will receive another email notification that the course has been added to the Course Equivalency System. Keep this email for future reference.

Is the course you took or want to take on the Course Equivalency System?

1. Access the direct link to the [Course Equivalency System](#) and check to see if the course is listed.

McGill University				External Institution				
Course	Title	Course	Title	Institution	Country	Status		
ANTH202	Socio-Cultural Anthropology.	ANTH202	Introduction to Culture	Concordia University	Canada	✓		

2. If you are able to find a course on the Course Equivalency System but the equivalence has expired, you will have the option of requesting a reassessment by clicking on the course title and following the instructions for a reassessment.



A similar equivalency already exists. Its current status is: [Final decision].



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External Course

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McGill Course

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Comments

Equivalency Details

University of Copenhagen - Kobenhavn - Denmark

Course	Title
JJUA55239U	Introduction to Digital Law

McGill University

Course	Title
LAWG	Law General

NOTE: You cannot submit a new equivalency request for a course if the course equivalency has expired.

How can I request a reassessment of an expired equivalency?

All course equivalencies expire after their designated time. Once the decision expires, the course must be re-evaluated again to determine whether it is equivalent or not.

To reassess an expired decision:

1. Go to www.mcgill.ca/course-equivalency
2. Click on Login and sign in with your McGill Username and Password
3. Search for the host course that you wish to be re-evaluated (make sure to check off 'Include expired decisions')
4. Click on the equivalency record to open the equivalency details page
5. Click on 'Request Reassessment'
6. Make any necessary changes and upload the new course syllabus
7. Once ready, click on Submit

Once your request is submitted, you will be issued a request number, sent an email with your request details, and your request is automatically sent to the appropriate reviewer.



Course Equivalency System

Pay close attention to the **Status**, equivalency expiry date (**Valid Until End of**), and any comments regarding a course's eligibility. If a course is marked as **(Expired)**, click **Request Reassessment** to have it reviewed. You must be a McGill student, faculty, or staff member in order to submit a request.

Equivalency Details (Expired)

McGill University		University of Melbourne (Parkville VIC, Australia)	
Course	Title	Course	Title
ENGL3XX	English (Arts) 3XX	SCRN20011	Hollywood and Entertainment

Status: Equivalent **Valid Until End of:** Fall 2014
Justification(s):
Comments:

[Modify Decision](#) [Request Reassessment](#) [New Search](#) [Back](#)

History

Status	On	By	Decision
FINAL	27-Mar-2015	nyad.zienna@mcgill.ca	Equivalent

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Course Equivalency System

Reassessment

Make any necessary changes to the External Course(s) **Title**, **AUs** (if applicable), and upload a new course **Syllabus**.

External Course Information

Course	Title *	AUs (For Engineering only)	Syllabus *
SCRN20011	Hollywood and Entertainment		Upload

McGill Course Information

Course	Title
ENGL3XX	English (Arts) 3XX

[Submit](#) [Cancel](#)

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4. If you are NOT able to find a course on the [Course Equivalency System](#), you will have to request that a new equivalency assessment be done.



Few reminders:

- 1) Some host universities do not provide the list of courses that are available to students from other universities until shortly before their classes begin.
- 2) You won't be able to have new courses assessed on McGill's Course Equivalency System until you have access to the course syllabus at the host university that corresponds to the term in which the course is being taken.
- 3) You may not have access to the course syllabus until you have been successfully registered in the class.
- 4) Similar to course registration at McGill, you may want to register for a course but the course at the host university may be full or the course may not be open to students from other universities. Therefore, we suggest that you submit courses for approval only once your host university confirms what courses you are able to take.