Faculty of Law
Faculté de droit

PROGRAMME BCL/JD
Proudly bilingual, rigorously pluralistic, the McGill BCL/JD program broke the mold for legal education in our fast-paced, globalized world. Our students learn legal concepts comparatively; through the lens of the common law and the civil law; with Indigenous legal traditions and perspectives from legal traditions the world over incorporated into our unique approach to teaching law. La vision critique et originale qui distingue la formation en droit à McGill est un véritable tremplin pour ceux et celles dont les idées contribueront à transformer le monde des affaires ou la société.

No other law program reaches further. Our students graduate with two law degrees: a Juris Doctor (JD) and a Bachelor of Civil Law (BCL); opening the door to legal careers in all Canadian provinces, several US states, and beyond. Les diplômé.e.s de McGill sont reconnu.e.s pour leur agilité intellectuelle face aux problèmes complexes, pour leur compréhension approfondie de divers systèmes juridiques et pour leur sensibilité en matière de diversité et de pluralité de points de vue.

Canada’s Most Globally Oriented Law School

Wherever you are headed, McGill will take you there.

If you come to McGill and dive right into it, embrace this radical idea of legal pluralism, and transsystemia, you are setting yourself up for a lifetime of broadened horizons in Law. You are making yourself incredibly agile, and adaptable, through the permanent sense of intellectual curiosity that McGill fosters.

David Sandomierski, Class of 2008, Former clerk to the Chief Justice, Assistant Professor at Western University’s Faculty of Law

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Bonjour, Montréal!

A multicultural and multilingual city ranked as the fourth-best place to live in North America, Montreal showcases a distinctly vibrant cultural life and an unparalleled openness to diversity and joie de vivre. Affordable and safe, Montreal’s historic “quartiers” and numerous green spaces make it a dynamic and engaging place to live and study.

Bonheur, Joie de Vivre, Passion

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BCL/JD Program at a Glance

• Complete one program; graduate with two degrees – BCL and JD
• 3, 3.5, or 4 years of full time studies
• Approche intégrée qui combine le droit civil, la common law et des traditions juridiques autochtones
• Hands-on, practice-oriented Integration Workshops and Focus Weeks emphasizing small group learning and problem solving
• Grande diversité de possibilités d’apprentissage pratique : cliniques juridiques, postes d’auxiliaires, stages internationaux en droits de la personne, programmes d’échange
• Joint programs with Social Work (BCL/JD-MSW) and Business (BCL/JD-MBA) as well as majors, minors and honours programs
• Competitive tuition

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Excellence Through Diversity*

Based on the average of recent years, 37% of students receive no financial support from their families, belonging to a visible or racialized minority. 30% of students completed graduate studies. 18% of students self-identify as part of the LGBTQ2I+ community, 16% of students first-generation university students self-identify as Indigenous students. Over $200,000 awarded in entrance scholarships annually.

Based on the 2019 incoming class, 16% receive no financial support from their families, 18% belong to a visible or racialized minority, 10% completed graduate studies, 30% self-identify as part of the LGBTQ2I+ community, 16% first-generation university students self-identify as Indigenous students. 

Fièrement enracinés à Montréal, nous rayonnons dans le monde.

- Ranked amongst the top 20 best schools to study law worldwide for three consecutive years
- One in five Supreme Court of Canada clerks over the past 10 years have been McGill Law grads
- 1/4 of our students are part of the McGill Law community, 70 exchanges with the outside world
- 31 students went on Human Rights internships during the summer of 2019
- Plus de 8000 diplômé.e.s dans plus de 100 pays à travers le monde. 81% Canada, 8% USA, 11% International

Eligibility to sit any Canadian bar, the New York and Massachusetts bars, and others around the globe.

Admissions

Nos cohortes sont composées d'excellent.e.s étudiant.e.s et sont socialement, académiquement et culturellement diversifiées, grâce à notre processus d'admission unique qui évalue tous les aspects du dossier de chaque personne candidate.

The Admissions Committee is looking for candidates who will succeed in our academically rigorous program and who also offer unique perspectives and experiences to the class.

Indigenous Presence

The Faculty of Law is committed to giving Indigenous legal traditions and Indigenous voices their just place in the McGill program, at our Faculty and in the legal profession, including supporting Indigenous students who consider applying to McGill.

- Indigenous legal traditions incorporated in many courses
- Promoting teaching and research focused on Indigenous legal traditions
- Internships and legal clinic opportunities in Indigenous communities and organizations
- Funding available to help Indigenous students meet the bilingualism (Fr/En) requirements for admission
- Indigenous applicants invited to self-identify and upload additional documents with their admissions application

First Nations, Inuit and Métis persons are strongly encouraged to apply to the Faculty of Law. Visit our website to find out about our services and funding opportunities to support Indigenous applicants.

Admissions by the Numbers*

/ 1,345 Applications / 180 Incoming Students

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* Based on the average of recent years

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- Sept 1: Admission application opens online
- Nov 1: Admission application deadline for University, Mature, and Advanced Standing applicants
- Mar 1: Admission application deadline for CEGEP and QFB applicants
- May 1: Admission application deadline for Transfer applicants

Ready to find out more?

Explore our program options, discover the vibrant student life of the Faculty, sign up for our next event, or get ready to apply at:

www.mcgill.ca/law

Des questions ?

Contact the McGill Law Admissions Office at: 514-398-6602 admissions.law@mcgill.ca

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