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Dear Colleagues:

As I noted in my November 4th message to the university community and in my comments at Senate on November 5th, McGill has been going through a broad consultation process regarding the issuance of T2202A forms to our Postdoctoral Fellows. We are now satisfied that we are correct in continuing to issue the T2202A forms to Postdocs.

This decision, however, does not ensure that Revenue Canada will allow the educational deduction for postdoctoral fellowships (stipends recorded on T4A slips); that decision remains in their hands as they process individual tax returns.

McGill is, however, evaluating, along with other universities across Canada, the most effective ways by which we can undertake advocacy for our position at various governmental levels. Indeed, a discussion on more formal and wide-ranging actions by different university bodies across Quebec --Conférence des recteurs et des principaux des universités du Québec (CREPUQ) and Association des doyens des études supérieures au Québec (ADESAQ)-- and across Canada--Canadian Association for Graduate Studies (CAGS)-- is underway. McGill, like other stakeholder universities, believes that fellowships for Postdocs should be eligible for the "educational deduction" and, with our partners, intends to advance this position by all means within our power.

I will keep you aware of any developments as I receive more information. For the present, I would like to repeat that McGill has decided to issue the T2022A form.

Sincerely,

Martin Kreiswirth