

## Signing Authority for University Commitments to Research Projects and Agreements

According to the [McGill Policy on the Approval of Contracts and Designation of Signing Authority](#), the Provost and Executive Vice-President (Academic) must approve all university cash and in-kind commitments to research activities. This authority is delegated to Deans or their representatives, up to \$1 million per application or agreement.

The [Table of Commitments](#) is used to document and obtain approval for university commitments. The Table must be signed by the Dean or their delegate (see authorized faculty signatories below).

The Table is not mandatory, however, if you do not use the Table, each commitment must be detailed and confirmed in an email or letter from the authorized signatory instead. The Table can be used to document:

- Funds committed from other research grants held in accounts managed by McGill;
- Department/school/faculty cash commitments to a project (e.g. matching funds);
- In-kind resources (space, staff time, equipment, percentage of a researcher’s time) when their dollar values are included in the application. **The Table is not required when an application includes the percentage of effort/workdays devoted to a project, and not the dollar value of this salaried time.**

Research and Innovation must receive approval of university commitments (from a department, faculty, or central administrative unit) before it provides a letter of support confirming their value for an application.

Faculty/School	Authorized Signatory
<b>Agricultural and Environmental Sciences</b>	Salwa Karboune, Associate Dean, Research
<b>Arts</b>	Michael Blome-Tillmann, Associate Dean, Research and Graduate Studies
<b>Continuing Studies</b>	Carola Weil, Dean
<b>Dental Medicine and Oral Health Sciences</b>	Elham Emami, Dean
<b>Education</b>	Marie-Hélène Pennestri, Associate Dean, Research and Graduate Studies
<b>Engineering</b>	Yu (Brandon) Xia, Associate Dean, Research and Innovation
<b>Law</b>	Tina Piper, Acting Dean
<b>Management</b>	Lisa Cohen, Acting Associate Dean, Research <b>OR</b> Robert David, Academic Director, Research
<b>Medicine and Health Sciences</b>	Sylvain Baillet, Associate Dean, Research
<b>Music (Schulich School)</b>	Jon Wild, Associate Dean, Research and Administration
<b>Science</b>	Bruce Lennox, Dean <b>OR</b> Alanna Watt, Associate Dean, Research