

Preferred Name: Student ID number:

### Do I have to complete the B.Sc Foundation Program (previously "Freshman Program")?

ALL students, except those admitted with a Quebec CEGEP Diploma (D.E.C.) in Science or in Integrated Arts and Science or Exchange/Visiting/Special students, must fulfill the Foundation Program requirements. This applies even if you have been admitted as a U1 student or transferred into the B.Sc. from another faculty.

**Note**: If you have been admitted with advanced standing, you may be exempt from some or all of your Foundation Program requirements.

#### Who is my degree advisor?

You have two different kinds of advisor during your time at McGill: a degree advisor (also referred to as a SOUSA or faculty advisor) and program advisor(s) (also referred to as departmental advisors) for whichever program(s) (Major, minor, honours, liberal) that you register in. Information on the different kinds of advising is available on our <u>advising</u> page.

Degree advisors are assigned near the end of June for all registered students. You will be able to find your advisor's name on your unofficial transcript (Minerva > Student menu > Student Records Menu > View Your Unofficial Transcript) after you have registered for classes. If you have not yet registered or are completing this form before advisors are assigned, please select the option: "Unassigned."

Degree Advisor:

### How can I calculate my transfer credits and exemptions (Advanced Standing)?

If you have completed advanced-level courses (such as IB, APs, French Baccalaureate or A-Levels), you may be granted transfer credits and exemptions from one or more of the Foundation Program requirements. If you feel that you've completed the equivalent of a McGill math or science courses but do not have the certification to prove it, you may be eligible to write <u>placement exams</u>. If you expect to receive transfer credit and/or exemption for a Foundation course, you should not register for that course. Your advanced standing should be articulated on your unofficial McGill Transcript by mid-October of your first year. If you have any questions about your advanced standing credits, please contact your degree advisor.

Review the information on the <u>transfer credit website</u> and our <u>new student website</u>. If you completed courses at another university prior to McGill (or are a university transfer/second degree student), please contact <u>Mary Gauthier</u> to discuss your transfer credits as soon as possible.

When filling out this form, make your best estimate of what you think you will receive credit for, and include these credits and course exemptions in the table below:

Type e.g. AP Biology	McGill Course Code BIOL 111 + BIOL 112	McGill Credits 6 credits

# This planner is a self-service tool to help with your course planning. It is not an official audit and does not replace a meeting with your advisor. Remember, you still need to register for these courses in Minerva. If you have any questions, refer to the eCalendar and meet with your degree advisor.

### How am I fulfilling the Foundation Program requirements?

The B.Sc. Foundation Program consists of a *minimum seven courses* including at least two MATH courses. The <u>B.Sc.</u> <u>Foundation Program requirements</u> are outlined in the eCalendar. To satisfy a program requirement, courses must be passed with a grade of C or higher.

If you have received/expect to receive advanced standing for a course, it can be used towards satisfying your Foundation Program requirements.

Note: Certain programs may recommend more Math and Science courses than are required for the Foundation Program. Please ensure that you consult the program-specific recommendations.

You must select **TWO** mathematics courses:

Select your first calculus course: Select your second MATH course: (either a second calculus course or linear algebra)

Review the information on the different calculus streams

Select **FIVE** courses from the following:

	Any number of:	
BIOL 111 (3cr)	CHEM 110 (4cr)	PHYS 101 OR PHYS 131 (4cr)*
BIOL 112 (3cr)	CHEM 120 (4cr)	PHYS 102 OR PHYS 142 (4cr)*
A third MATH course MATH 1	141/MATH 150 or MATH 133)	

	At most ONE Science complementary:		
ATOC 100 (3cr)	COMP 202 (3cr)**	ESYS 104 (3cr)	
GEOG 205 (3cr)	PSYC 100 (3cr)		

\* Review the general recommendations for selecting a physics stream

\*\* Students in a program where COMP 202 is a required course should consult with their <u>program advisor</u> if using COMP 202 to satisfy the Foundation Program requirement. You cannot count a course used for the Foundation Program towards any other program.

## What courses should I take in my first year at McGill?

Though you may not be able to declare your programs (Major/Liberal/Honours/Minor) in your first year, you are encouraged to reflect on your own academic orientation so that your first-year course selection will prepare you for the programs that interest you. You may wish to consult with <u>program advisors</u> to gain a better understanding of the programs you are considering declaring. To learn more about the different program options, review our program types.

Which Program Group have you been admitted to?

Intended program(s):

Review our page on <u>Foundation Program Course Selection</u> for information on course load, suggested electives and students interested in applying to professional schools after their undergraduate studies.

If you are exempt from some or all your freshman requirements, you may begin taking courses towards your program in your first year. Note: it is never recommended to take any course that you do not meet the prerequisites for.