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FEATURED EVENT



[Supervisory Alliance Workshop](#)

November 26, 10:00 AM-12:00 PM

What is a supervisory alliance? This session will introduce a framework to discuss the relationship between supervisor and supervisee in terms of the Bond, Goals, and Tasks. The presentation and discussion will provide you with suggestions, ideas and a model to enable you to collaborate more successfully with your graduate students.

[Register](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS



[Safer Spaces: Disability, Access, and Universal Design](#)

November 19, 2:00-4:30 PM

What are the preconceptions about the nature of disabilities in higher education, the models for services and best designs for universal access? This workshop provides an overview of the fast changing notions of disability, impairment and access. Certificate issued upon completion of all 5 workshops in the series.

[Register](#)



[Using Clickers for Creating Effective Questions](#) (SRS-101)

December 13, 10:00 AM or December 18, 2:00 PM

Interested in using clickers in Winter 2014? This workshop introduces pedagogical and technical components to help instructors develop in-class activities that provide students with opportunities to think critically and test their understanding.

[Register](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS



[Enhanced On-Site Support for Classroom AV Equipment](#)

This fall, IT Services made changes to the way we support instructors during class time. We now send technicians to act as "first responders" when AV problems cannot be resolved immediately via the Help Line (3398 from any campus phone).

[BrowZine](#)

Access scholarly journals in a browsable format. Use the BrowZine application to easily find, read, and monitor scholarly journals available from holdings at the McGill Library and Open Access publishers.



[PressReader](#)

Do you enjoy reading newspapers? McGill Library is pleased to offer over 2,300 full-content newspapers from more than 100 countries in 55+ languages in just one app! To download newspapers using the application, access McGill's network on Wifi or (VPN). Note: downloads are limited to 5 issues in 24 hours.



[Two Ways to Encourage Participation in Course Evaluations](#)

- Monitor response rates and post a message on myCourses. See a [video](#) example of one instructor's experience.
- Ask students to bring their laptops to class and allow time to fill them out in class. Note that instructors must leave the room during this process.

Any questions? Write to: mercury.info@mcgill.ca.



[Instructor Unavailability for 2014-2015](#)

Please submit in Minerva the days and times you are unavailable to teach for 2014-2015 terms. The deadline is fast approaching - check with your academic unit to find out specific instructions and deadline. View the updated video.



[McGill Library Launches Recommended Mobile Apps Page](#)

The McGill Library launched the Recommended Mobile Apps Page with a selection of applications that will help optimize the use of library-licensed resources on your iOS or Android devices.



[Supervision: Graduate and Postdoctoral Support Website](#)

The new Supervision website offers over 40 pages of research-based practical advice and guidance on the supervisory relationship. Learn how to avoid common problems in supervision and needless delays in degree completion.



[Winter 2014 Courses Available for Instructors](#)

You can already start preparing your course site now for winter courses. Although by default students cannot access their courses until the first day of classes, you may modify the access date [here](#).



[Lecture Recording Available](#)

Students have told us they find lecture recordings extremely valuable. If you are teaching in a classroom that supports lecture recording, consider signing up now to record your lectures and make them available to your students. [Instructions in the IT Knowledge Base](#).

TEACHING CHECKLISTS



[NEW: Teaching Preparation Checklist](#)

Preparing to teach a course can feel overwhelming without a timeline of what to do when and an awareness of the resources available. Use the Teaching Checklist to help you find everything you need.

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Join McGill faculty, staff and students in a conversation about higher education. Read the latest posts:

- [Why undergraduate students are teaching my entomology course](#)
- [Writing – part of the educational journey](#)
- [Routes of writing](#)
- [Learning to scythe](#)



[Teaching Snapshots: Perspectives on Teaching and Learning](#)

Ever wonder what other professors do to keep their students engaged? Learn about McGill instructors' thoughts on teaching and learning. Disciplines include: teaching philosophy, law, writing, and statistics.



[Audio Streaming Databases](#)

McGill Library hosts multiple databases where you can access and link to streaming musical recordings ranging from classical music to live concerts. *Accessing off campus:* [VPN](#) or [EZproxy](#).



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