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## 1 Application

Website: [www.mcgill.ca/applying](http://www.mcgill.ca/applying)  
(to apply on-line or obtain information)

The academic year at McGill is made up of two sessions, the fall/winter or regular session, and the summer session. These are subdivided into the fall term (or semester), September to December; the winter term (or semester), January to May; and the four months of the summer session (May, June, July and August).

The majority of students enter in September. The availability of admission to McGill in January is limited; consult the Web at [www.mcgill.ca/applying](http://www.mcgill.ca/applying) or the appropriate office to confirm which programs will accept applications for January.

The Admissions, Recruitment and Registrar's Office (ARR) handles admission to the faculties/schools of: Architecture, Arts, Education, Engineering, Management, Nursing, Physical and Occupational Therapy, Science, and Social Work.

Admissions, Recruitment and Registrar's Office  
McGill University  
James Administration Building  
845 Sherbrooke Street West  
Montreal, QC H3A 2T5 Canada  
Telephone: (514) 398-3910  
Fax: (514) 398-4193

The Faculties of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Music, and Religious Studies have their own admissions offices.

### 1.1 Application Deadlines

Applications must be submitted via the Web, or postmarked, on or before the dates listed. Supporting documents may be submitted later.

#### Late Applications:

- will not be considered for scholarships;
- will not be considered for residence accommodation, except at Macdonald Campus;
- will not be considered for limited enrolment programs, unless written permission to apply late is obtained in advance from the Admissions Office concerned.

For non-limited enrolment programs, late applications will be considered only as time permits.

Priority is given to processing applications received on time. McGill reserves the right to return to applicant, cancel, or transfer to a subsequent session any application submitted after the deadline dates listed, without advance notice. The application fee is non-refundable.

Supporting documents should be sent as soon as they are available. If received before the application form, they will be kept on file for one year.

#### 1.1.1 Application Deadlines for September Admission

##### JANUARY 15

**Music: all candidates - including Exchange, Special and Visiting Students - must apply by this date.**

##### JANUARY 15

All candidates studying, or who last studied, in high schools, universities or colleges outside Canada (except Exchange, Special, and Visiting students).

##### FEBRUARY 1

Candidates studying in high schools in Canada outside Quebec.

##### MARCH 1

Candidates studying, or who last studied, in CEGEP in Quebec, unless otherwise indicated.

**MARCH 15****Architecture: all candidates, submission of portfolios.****MAY 1**

Exchange students.

Special and Visiting students (non-Canadian citizens)

All candidates currently or last registered in Canadian universities/colleges who wish to transfer to McGill (Canadian citizens and Permanent Residents only).

Candidates wishing to complete a second degree, who last studied in a Canadian university (Canadian citizens and Permanent Residents only).

Mature student and part-time B.Com. candidates (Canadian citizens and Permanent Residents only).

**JUNE 1**

Theology (Faculty of Religious Studies): all candidates.

**JULY 1**

Special and Visiting students (Canadian citizens and Permanent Residents).

**1.1.2 Application Deadlines for January Admission****Warning:** The availability of admission to McGill in January is limited. Before applying, please consult the Web at [www.mcgill.ca/applying](http://www.mcgill.ca/applying) or the appropriate office to confirm which programs will accept applications.Applicants to Music should consult the Music Web site at [www.mcgill.ca/music/prospective/undergraduate](http://www.mcgill.ca/music/prospective/undergraduate) in early November before applying to determine program availability for January. (Although most Music programs are closed in January, some exceptions may apply.)

McGill reserves the right to return to applicant, cancel or transfer to a subsequent session any applications received for programs which are closed in January. The application fee is non-refundable.

**MAY 1**

Exchange students: all faculties.

**NOVEMBER 1**

Candidates in their final semester at CEGEP, and candidates who last studied in CEGEP and who have not undertaken subsequent study elsewhere.

Candidates who have, or will have at the time of entry, a McGill degree, and who have not undertaken subsequent study elsewhere, applying as Special Students or as transfer students.

Applicants to the Part-time B.Com. program currently studying in the McGill Centre for Continuing Education.

Theology (Faculty of Religious Studies): all candidates.

**1.1.3 Application Deadline for May Admission, Special B.S.W. only****DECEMBER 1**

Special B.S.W. only: all candidates.

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**1.2 Application Fee**

All applications must be accompanied by a non-refundable \$60 fee, in Canadian or U.S. funds only, payable by credit card, certified cheque or money order. McGill does not offer application fee waivers.

Applicants to the Faculty of Music must also submit a separate, non-refundable audition fee of \$60.

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**1.3 Application Forms**McGill's on-line application form is available on the Web at [www.mcgill.ca/applying](http://www.mcgill.ca/applying).

On-line application can be made to any undergraduate program at McGill. The application can be used by Special, Visiting, or Exchange students, as well as regular applicants.

On-line application is preferred, however, limited numbers of paper applications are available and may be obtained by completing the request for undergraduate admission information on the Website, or by e-mailing, writing, or telephoning the appropriate Admissions Office. A PDF copy of the paper application is also available on the Website.

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**1.4 Entrance Scholarships and Awards**

McGill University has an extensive program of entrance awards to recognize and honour scholarship. Awards range in value from \$3,000 renewable to \$10,000 renewable and are based on outstanding academic achievement, or a combination of outstanding academic achievement and leadership qualities.

All renewable awards are tenable until completion of an undergraduate degree, up to a maximum of four years, provided the criteria for renewal are met. For the renewal of entrance scholarships, students must complete at least 27 credits in the regular academic session, exclusive of courses completed under the Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory option.

**The Application for Admission provides detailed information on entrance awards. Students wishing to be considered for awards must submit the admission application, including the Scholarship Application Form and all supporting scholarship documents, by the appropriate admission application deadline. Students who submit these documents will be considered for ALL scholarships for which they are eligible.**

When the Web application is used, both the supporting documents sent under separate cover and the application must be submitted by the specified deadline.

If the paper application is used, documents in support of a scholarship application must be submitted with the completed application form.

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**1.5 Residences Application and Acceptance**

Please note that the procedure governing residence admission is entirely separate from that of University admission. There is, however, no separate application form for admission to residence. Applicants who wish to be considered for residence accommodation must indicate that when they complete their Application for Admission to McGill University. In downtown area residences, the University is able to house approximately 1750 students. To be eligible for residence accommodation, students must have received their official acceptance to McGill, be starting their first year of studies at McGill, be less than 21 years of age, and currently reside beyond commuting distance from the University.

The residence fees for the 2003-04 session had not been set at the time this Calendar went to print. An updated fee sheet and instructions regarding payment of fees is included with offers of accommodation and will be published on the Residences Website at [www.mcgill.ca/residences](http://www.mcgill.ca/residences).The residences at the Macdonald Campus become home to approximately 300 students during the course of the academic year. Applicants who would like to be housed at Macdonald Campus and indicate that when they complete their Application for Admission will automatically receive an Application for Residence from the Macdonald Campus Housing Office. For further information regarding all residences at McGill refer to "[Residential Facilities](#)" on page 41.

## 1.6 Financial Aid

### 1.6.1 Citizens and Permanent Residents of Canada

Need-based student financial aid programs are offered by the Federal/provincial governments. Applications should be submitted directly to the province (or territory) of residence. Application forms are available from the governmental authorities as well as the Student Aid Office. Information on governmental student aid and links to sites can be found on McGill's Financial Aid Website at [www.mcgill.ca/stuserv/aid/aid.htm](http://www.mcgill.ca/stuserv/aid/aid.htm).

### 1.6.2 Citizens and Permanent Residents of the United States

Stafford Loans (subsidized and unsubsidized) and parental loans (PLUS) are available for studies at McGill. Students should submit a FAFSA application to have their financial need assessed. FAFSA may be completed on the Web at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). The resulting SAR and a Master Promissory Note (Stafford Application) should be submitted to the Student Aid Office.

Students may contact the Office for information on alternative loan programs and should also check with banks and other lending organizations in the U.S.

More information can be found on McGill's Financial Aid Website at [www.mcgill.ca/stuserv/aid/aid.htm](http://www.mcgill.ca/stuserv/aid/aid.htm).

### 1.6.3 McGill Loans and Bursaries

Applications for McGill loans and bursaries on the basis of financial need should be directed to the Student Aid Office, McGill University, 3600 McTavish Street, Montreal, QC, H3A 1Y2. All applicants for aid must first apply for the maximum government assistance for which they may be eligible.

With the exception of scholarship holders, **loans and bursaries may only be applied for once the student is in attendance.**

## 1.7 Immigration Information

UNLESS their studies at McGill will be completed in less than six (6) months, all students, other than Canadian citizens and Permanent Residents of Canada, must obtain proper authorization from both Quebec and Canadian Immigration officials prior to proceeding to Canada and/or commencing studies. The process begins with a Letter of Acceptance from McGill University.

Details on Canadian immigration regulations may be obtained from the closest Canadian Visa Service (CVS) of Immigration Canada.

In addition, International Student Services prepares a "Getting Started" pamphlet along with a detailed Handbook for international students, which is sent to all accepted applicants. The Handbook is also available on the Web.

For further information, please contact:  
International Student Services, Brown Student Services Building,  
3600 McTavish Street, Suite 3215, Montreal, QC H3A 1Y2  
Telephone: (514) 398-4349  
Website: [www.mcgill.ca/stuserv/iss](http://www.mcgill.ca/stuserv/iss)  
E-mail: [international.students@mcgill.ca](mailto:international.students@mcgill.ca)

### 1.7.1 Sponsorship of Non-Resident Minors

Students, **other than** Canadian citizens and Permanent Residents, who have not yet reached the age of eighteen (18) years who wish to study in Canada must show proof that there is a legal sponsor in Canada to act as guardian until the date of the student's 18th birthday. Two documents are needed to complete this process. The first is a notarized letter from the student's parents authorizing a specific individual in Canada to act as the official sponsor until the specified date of the 18th birthday. The second document is the certified letter from the Canadian sponsor acknowledging and accepting the conditions of sponsorship. These documents must be submitted with the application to both Quebec and Canada Immigration.

For students without family or friends in Montreal who can provide sponsorship, the notarized letter of authorization can be made out to the Dean of Students. Please consult the *International Student Handbook* for further details. The Handbook is available on the Student Services Website at [www.mcgill.ca/stuserv/iss](http://www.mcgill.ca/stuserv/iss) or from the McGill Admissions Office.

The nearest Canadian Embassy or Consulate can provide further clarification of any of the regulations governing student status in Quebec.

## 2 Admission Requirements

This section includes admission information for undergraduate programs in the following faculties and schools:

Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Architecture, Arts, Dietetics and Human Nutrition, Education, Engineering, Management, Science.

Music (for applicants to B.Mus. programs and to the Concurrent B.Mus./B.Ed. program) – see also Faculty of Music section.

**Note:** Those wishing to follow a B.A. program in Music must apply for entry to the Faculty of Arts.

Nursing, Occupational Therapy, and Physical Therapy – basic entrance requirements for these programs are provided here for ease of reference. Please refer to the *Health Sciences Calendar* for further information regarding these Schools.

Social Work – see School of Social Work in the Faculty of Arts section.

Theology (B.Th.) – see also Faculty of Religious Studies section. **Note:** Those wishing to follow a B.A. program in Religious Studies must apply for entry to the Faculty of Arts.

For information on admission to Dentistry, Law, Medicine, and graduate studies consult [www.mcgill.ca/applying](http://www.mcgill.ca/applying), or the *Health Sciences, Law, or Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies Calendars*.

**The general criteria for admission are outlined below to serve as a guide for potential applicants.** For some programs there are additional requirements such as letters of reference or interviews. Full information is available on the Web and in the application package. Although Admissions Office and Welcome Centre staff are always pleased to meet prospective students, a personal interview is not required for admission to most programs.

### Note:

Admission to McGill is competitive, and fulfillment of the minimum entrance requirements does not guarantee acceptance.

## 2.1 Enrolment Limits

The number of applicants who meet the minimum requirements for admission to most programs is usually considerably in excess of the available places.

At the time of printing of this Calendar, admission to the following programs is highly competitive: Architecture, Computer Engineering, Computer Science, Electrical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Software Engineering (Engineering and Science).

Applicants may indicate up to two programs on their application and will automatically be considered for both choices.

An applicant whose request for admission has been denied may submit a written request for re-consideration of the admissions decision. Please note that the University normally imposes a re-read fee, which will be credited to the applicant's account in the event of a reversed decision. In addition, for a formal admission appeal there is a charge of \$100.

## 2.2 Proof of Proficiency in English

The language of instruction at McGill is English. Some courses are offered in French. Every student has a right to write essays, examinations and theses in English or in French except in courses where knowledge of a language is one of the objectives of the course.

Applicants meeting any of the following conditions are not required to submit proof of proficiency in English:

- Their mother tongue/first language is English.
- They have completed both Secondary V and a Diploma of Collegial Studies in Quebec.
- They have completed the last five years of study in a French Baccalaurate International Option program, or in a French Lycée located in an English speaking country.
- They have completed A-Level English (other than English as a Second Language) with a final grade of C or better.
- Their last five years of study (preceding application) have been at a learning institution where English is the main language of instruction (including applicants taught in English in Kenya, Liberia and Singapore).

All other applicants must demonstrate proficiency in English, using one of the following five options:

### Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL)

Most undergraduate programs require 233 (577 for the paper-based version). Some programs require higher or lower scores. The Faculty of Management minimum score is 250 (600 for the paper-based version). The Faculty of Music minimum score is 213 (550 for the paper-based version).

### McGill Certificate of Proficiency in English

For further information about the program contact the Department of Languages and Translation, Centre for Continuing Education, 688 Sherbrooke St. W., Suite 1199, Montreal, Quebec, H3A 3R1. Telephone: (514) 398-6160. E-mail: [info.conted@mcgill.ca](mailto:info.conted@mcgill.ca) Website: [www.mcgill.ca/conted](http://www.mcgill.ca/conted)

### International English Language Testing System (IELTS)

A band score of 6.5 or better.

### University of Michigan English Language Test (MELAB)

A minimum mark of 85%.

### APIEL (Advanced Placement International English Language)

A minimum score of 4.

**Note:** An institutional version of these tests is not acceptable. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure official test results are sent directly to the correct McGill admissions office; i.e., the Admissions Office to which the application was mailed. For TOEFL and APIEL, the Institutional code at McGill is 0935-00. Only indicate a departmental code if test results are to be directed to the faculties of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences (0864), Music (19), or Religious Studies (21).

## 2.3 Placement Tests in Mathematics and Basic Sciences

**Applicants from outside Quebec** who believe that they have taken the equivalent of one or more introductory university-level science courses (algebra, calculus, biology, chemistry, physics) but who do not have acceptable certification to that effect, may be eligible to take placement tests at McGill. These are formal examinations held on Campus during the Supplemental Examination period during the last week of August (see Calendar of Dates). The placement tests are conducted by the Faculty of Science. For more information, refer to "Newly admitted students, admission placement tests" on the Science Student Affairs Office Website at [www.mcgill.ca/artscisao](http://www.mcgill.ca/artscisao).

Each faculty's policy will determine whether credit and/or exemption from certain courses will be granted for successful completion of advanced placement tests.

**Students entering the Faculty of Engineering from a Quebec CEGEP program** are eligible, prior to their first registration, to receive advanced credit in MATH 260 Intermediate Calculus upon successful completion of the Advanced Credit Examination. That examination, which is given in June, covers material similar to the syllabus of the CEGEP Calculus III (Mathematics 201-303) course. In all engineering programs, students who are successful in the exam will automatically have the number of credits required for the completion of their program reduced by three. For specific date(s) and time(s) of the examination, please refer to the Faculty of Engineering Website at [www.mcgill.ca/engineering](http://www.mcgill.ca/engineering).

## 2.4 Length of McGill Programs

Students admitted from Quebec CEGEPs normally enter undergraduate programs requiring the completion of 90 credits, or six terms.

Students admitted from U.S. high schools and from Canadian high schools outside Quebec normally enter undergraduate programs requiring the completion of 120 credits, or eight terms.

Students admitted from high schools outside Canada and the United States normally enter undergraduate programs between 90 and 120 credits in length, typically requiring seven or eight terms to complete.

Applicants who are admitted to a program on the basis of a previous university degree are generally required to complete a minimum of 60 new credits, plus any other program or faculty requirements.

**Note:** Agricultural Engineering, Dietetics, Engineering, Music, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy and most programs in Education are longer than those described above.

## 2.5 Advanced Standing or Transfer Credits

Advanced standing credit may be awarded to applicants who have completed Advanced Placement Examinations, Advanced Level Examinations, International Baccalaureate Higher Level Examinations, and/or university courses.

Results of Advanced Placement Examinations may be declared at the time of application; in this case, the AP results may or may not be taken into consideration in making the admission decision. Notwithstanding the above, Advanced Placement Examination results with a score of 4 or 5 **must** be declared at the time of initial registration at the University. Each faculty's policy will determine whether advanced standing credit and/or exemption from certain courses will be granted on the basis of these results.

Applicants who have written Advanced Level Examinations may be granted up to 30 credits of advanced standing. (A maximum of 10 credits will be granted for A-Level papers in Mathematics).

Applicants who have completed the full International Baccalaureate program may also be granted up to 30 credits of advanced standing.

Advanced standing credits for Music applicants vary from those described.

**Note:** Applicants can receive up to a maximum of 30 credits in advanced standing for any combination of Advanced Levels, Advanced Subsidiary exams, Advanced Placement exams, IB examinations, French Baccalaureate and CEGEP diploma.

## 2.6 Applicants from Quebec CEGEPs

(CEGEP: Collège d'enseignement général et professionnel/ College of General and Professional Education.)

Applicants who have obtained a Diploma of Collegial Studies (DCS) or who expect to obtain a DCS prior to the start of classes are eligible to apply. McGill uses the "cote de rendement au collégial" (CRC) or "cote r" (rather than CEGEP percentage grades) for admission decisions for most programs. The CRC or "cote r" is a method of comparing and ranking students from CEGEP; it measures how far above or below the class average a student places, with adjustments based on the relative strength of the group. Please note that the Faculty of Music does not use the "cote r" in



its evaluation. Instead, auditions and the academic record determine admissibility.

Applicants in combined IB/CEGEP programs should have estimated IB results sent directly to McGill by the CEGEP IB Coordinator as soon as they are available.

To be eligible for consideration, CEGEP applicants must complete the prerequisites set out below.

[Students graduating with a professional CEGEP diploma (“Technical DEC”) are eligible for admission to certain programs at McGill. Please refer to Website: [www.mcgill.ca/applying/undergrad](http://www.mcgill.ca/applying/undergrad) for complete details on minimum requirements. Evaluation of “Technical DEC” applicants is on an individual basis.]

[Quebec high school (Secondary V) graduates are expected to complete a Quebec CEGEP DCS prior to admission to McGill. A Quebec high school graduate who does not proceed to CEGEP but undertakes one full year of university study outside Quebec may be admissible as a Transfer Student. Such applicants are advised to consult the appropriate McGill Admissions Office prior to applying, in order to ensure that they possess a valid basis for admission.]

#### **Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Dietetics and Human Nutrition**

- A DCS in an appropriate Science program, and the following prerequisites:

##### **B.Sc.(Ag.Env.Sc.) and B.Sc.(F.Sc.)**

- Biology - NYA (00UK)
- Chemistry - NYA, NYB (00UL, 00UM)
- Mathematics - NYA, NYB (00UN, 00UP)
- Physics - NYA, NYB, NYC (00UR, 00US, 00UT)

Applicants to the B.Sc.(Ag.Env.Sc.) Major in Agricultural Economics only will be considered with a DCS in Social Science if it includes Mathematics 00UN and 00UP. An overall “cote r” of 24 is required with 24 or better in each of the Mathematics competencies. If accepted, students will then be required to complete one course in each of Biology, Chemistry and Physics.

##### **B.Sc.(Agr.Eng.)**

The same as B.Sc.(Ag.Env.Sc.) with the addition of:

- Mathematics - NYC (00UQ)

##### **B.Sc.(Nutr.Sc.) (Dietetics and Human Nutrition)**

- Biology - NYA, General Biology II (00UK, 00XU)
- Chemistry - NYA, NYB, Organic Chemistry I (00UL, 00UM, 00XV)
- Mathematics - NYA, NYB (00UN, 00UP)
- Physics - NYA, NYB, NYC (00UR, 00US, 00UT)

#### **Architecture**

- Chemistry - NYA, NYB (00UL, 00UM)
- Mathematics - NYA, NYB, NYC (00UN, 00UP, 00UQ)
- Physics - NYA, NYB, NYC (00UR, 00US, 00UT)
- Portfolio

#### **Arts**

No additional prerequisite courses are required, however,

- courses in statistics and biology are recommended for applicants to Psychology
- Mathematics - NYA, NYB, NYC (00UN, 00UP, 00UQ or 103, 203, 105) are recommended for applicants to Computer Science or Mathematics
- Mathematics - NYA (00UN) and one of Biology, Chemistry or Physics NYA (00UK, 00UL, 00UR) are recommended for applicants to the School of Environment program

#### **Education**

No additional prerequisite courses are required.

B.Mus./B.Ed. applicants must also meet Music requirements.

#### **Engineering**

- Chemistry - NYA, NYB (00UL, 00UM)
- Mathematics - NYA, NYB, NYC (00UN, 00UP, 00UQ)
- Physics - NYA, NYB, NYC (00UR, 00US, 00UT)

#### **Management**

- Mathematics - NYA, NYB, NYC (00UN, 00UP, 00UQ) or 103, 203, 105 or 022X, 022Y, 022Z

#### **Music**

A DCS in Music or equivalent. Applicants with a DCS in a field other than Music must have the equivalent Music prerequisites. No additional prerequisite courses are required. Audition and academic record determine admissibility. (The Faculty of Music does not use the “cote r”).

B.Mus./B.Ed. applicants must also meet Education requirements.

#### **Nursing, B.Sc. (N)**

- Biology - NYA, General Biology II (00UK, 00XU)
- Chemistry - NYA, NYB, Organic Chemistry I (00UL, 00UM, 00XV)
- Mathematics - NYA, NYB (00UN, 00UP)
- Physics - NYA, NYB, NYC (00UR, 00US, 00UT)

#### **Nursing, B.N. (for Registered Nurses)**

For students graduating with a technical DEC in Nursing, a reference letter from the Nursing supervisor and a copy of the current Quebec license from the OIIQ. Admission is contingent on passing the licensing examinations.

*Note:* Beginning in September 2004, students who are completing the collegial segment (DEC 180.A0) of the five-year integrated nursing program will be considered for admission to the university segment of the program. For further information, consult the School of Nursing Web site at [www.nursing.mcgill.ca](http://www.nursing.mcgill.ca).

#### **Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy**

- Biology - NYA, General Biology II (00UK, 00XU)
- Chemistry - NYA, NYB, Organic Chemistry I (00UL, 00UM, 00XV)
- Mathematics - NYA, NYB (00UN, 00UP)
- Physics - NYA, NYB, NYC (00UR, 00US, 00UT)

*Note:* The School of Physical and Occupational Therapy is re-evaluating its undergraduate programs. Potential applicants to these programs for September 2004 or later are advised to consult the McGill Website prior to completing an application form.

#### **Science**

- Biology - NYA (00UK)
- Chemistry - NYA, NYB (00UL, 00UM)
- Mathematics - NYA, NYB, NYC (00UN, 00UP, 00UQ)
- Physics - NYA, NYB, NYC (00UR, 00US, 00UT)

General Biology II (00XU) and Organic Chemistry I (00XV) are recommended for applicants to biological and pre-medical science programs.

#### **Social Work**

- No additional prerequisite courses.

## **2.7 Applicants from Ontario High Schools**

Applicants from Ontario must have completed the Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD), a minimum of six OAC, 4U and/or 4M courses combined. At least four of the six required courses, as well as all prerequisite courses must be taken at the OAC or 4U level. Admissions criteria will focus primarily on the top six OAC, 4U and/or 4M courses (including specified prerequisite courses). Generally speaking, all marks are taken into consideration in determining admission, including those of failed or repeated courses.

If the applicant comes from a school where the language of instruction is English, then OAC English or 4U level English or EAE4A must be included in the six courses.

If the applicant comes from a school where the language of instruction is French, then OAC French (FRAOA or FLIOA) or 4U level French or English EALOA or EAL4U must be included in the six courses.

**Please note: English and French Second Language courses are not accepted as prerequisites.**

Every attempt has been made to report accurately on admission requirements in effect at the time of printing. Given the recent

Ontario curriculum reform and the resulting array of new courses, it should be noted that McGill reserves the right to revise its admission requirements without prior notice.

Please note that high school students are not eligible for direct admission to Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Religious Studies (B.Th.), or Social Work.

#### **Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Dietetics and Human Nutrition**

- at least one of: OAC Calculus, OAC Algebra and Geometry, MCB4U or MGA4U

Two different science subjects from the following list:

- OAC Biology or SBI4U
- OAC Chemistry or SCH4U
- OAC Physics or SPH4U
- OAC or 4U English or French (see note above explaining when English or French is required)

#### **Architecture**

- at least one of: OAC Calculus, OAC Algebra and Geometry, MCB4U or MGA4U
- OAC Chemistry or SCH4U
- OAC Physics or SPH4U
- OAC or 4U English or French (see note above explaining when English or French is required)
- Portfolio

#### **Arts, Education**

- OAC or 4U English or French (see note above explaining when English or French is required)

B.Mus./B.Ed. applicants must also meet Music requirements.

#### **Engineering**

- at least one of: OAC Calculus, OAC Algebra and Geometry, MCB4U or MGA4U
- OAC Chemistry or SCH4U
- OAC Physics or SPH4U
- OAC or 4U English or French (see note above explaining when English or French is required)

#### **Management**

- at least one of: OAC Calculus, OAC Algebra and Geometry, MCB4U or MGA4U
- OAC or 4U English or French (see note above explaining when English or French is required).

#### **Music**

- No specific prerequisite courses are required. Audition and academic record determine admissibility.
- OAC or 4U English or French (see note above explaining when English or French is required).

B.Mus./B.Ed. applicants must also meet Education requirements.

#### **Nursing**

- at least one of: OAC Calculus, OAC Algebra and Geometry, MCB4U or MGA4U
- OAC or 4U English or French (see note above explaining when English or French is required)

Two different science subjects from the following list:

- OAC Biology or SBI4U
- OAC Chemistry or SCH4U
- OAC Physics or SPH4U

#### **Science**

- at least one of: OAC Calculus, OAC Algebra and Geometry, MCB4U or MGA4U
- OAC or 4U English or French (see note above explaining when English or French is required)

Two different science subjects from the following list:

- OAC Biology or SBI4U
- OAC Chemistry or SCH4U
- OAC Physics or SPH4U

## **2.8 Applicants from Canadian High Schools other than Ontario**

Applicants from Alberta, British Columbia, Manitoba, New Brunswick, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, Saskatchewan, Nunavut, NWT and Yukon must hold a high school diploma giving access to university education in their province/territory. Consideration will be given to the results for Grade 11 and 12 level courses (regardless of the calendar year in which they were taken), with emphasis on grades obtained in courses most relevant to the intended program of study. Generally speaking, all marks are taken into consideration in determining admission, including those of failed or repeated courses.

If the applicant comes from a school where the language of instruction is English, then Grade 12 English must be included in the academic record. If the applicant comes from a school where the language of instruction is French, then Grade 12 French is required. English and French Second Language courses are not accepted as prerequisites.

High school students are not eligible for direct admission to Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Religious Studies (B.Th.), or Social Work. See ["Advanced Standing or Transfer Credits" on page 14](#) for more information.

#### **Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Dietetics and Human Nutrition**

- Grade 12 Mathematics (pre-calculus)
- Two of the following: Grade 12 Biology, Chemistry or Physics
- Grade 12 English or French (see note above explaining when English or French is required)

#### **Architecture**

- Grade 12 Mathematics (pre-calculus)
- Grade 12 Chemistry
- Grade 12 Physics
- Grade 12 English or French (see note above explaining when English or French is required)
- Portfolio

#### **Arts, Education**

- Grade 12 English or French (see note above explaining when English or French is required)

B.Mus./B.Ed. applicants must also meet Music requirements.

#### **Engineering**

- Grade 12 Mathematics (pre-calculus)
- Grade 12 Chemistry
- Grade 12 Physics
- Grade 12 English or French (see note above explaining when English or French is required)

#### **Management**

- Grade 12 Mathematics (pre-calculus)
- Grade 12 English or French (see note above explaining when English or French is required)

#### **Music**

- Grade 12 English or French (see note above explaining when English or French is required)
- Audition and academic record determine admissibility.

B.Mus./B.Ed. applicants must also meet Education requirements.

#### **Nursing**

- Grade 12 Mathematics (pre-calculus)
- Two of: Grade 12 Biology, Chemistry or Physics
- Grade 12 English or French (see note above explaining when English or French is required)

#### **Science**

- Grade 12 Mathematics (pre-calculus)
- Two of: Grade 12 Biology, Chemistry or Physics
- Grade 12 English or French (see note above explaining when English or French is required)

## 2.9 Applicants from U.S. High School Programs (in the U.S.A. and other countries)

To be eligible for admission, applicants must hold a high school diploma and have followed an academic program leading to university entrance. Grade 10, 11 and 12 academic results will be considered but special attention will be paid to results obtained in those courses most relevant to the intended program of study.

Applicants (except those applying only to Music) must have taken either the ACT or, the SAT I plus three appropriate SAT II tests. For a list of approximate minimum acceptable scores for most undergraduate programs at McGill, consult the Web at [www.mcgill.ca/applying/undergrad](http://www.mcgill.ca/applying/undergrad).

It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure official test results are sent directly to McGill. Electronic SAT scores should be sent from the College Board to McGill using Institutional Code 0935-00. For ACT, the Institutional code at McGill is 5231, however, paper ACT scores must be directed to the correct McGill admissions office, i.e., a Faculty Admissions Office or ARR. See "[Advanced Standing or Transfer Credits](#)" on page 14 for more information.

### Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Dietetics and Human Nutrition

- Pre-calculus (functions)
- Two of the following: biology, chemistry, or physics
- Three SAT IIs, including mathematics and at least one science

### Architecture

- Pre-calculus (functions), chemistry and physics
- Three SAT IIs, including Mathematics and at least one Chemistry or Physics
- Portfolio

### Arts, Education

- Strong grades in all Grade 10, 11 and 12 English courses
  - Three SAT IIs, including English
- B.Mus./B.Ed. applicants must also meet Music requirements.

### Engineering

- Pre-calculus (functions), chemistry and physics
- Three SAT IIs, including Mathematics and at least one Chemistry or Physics

### Management

- Pre-calculus (functions)
- Three SAT IIs, including Mathematics.

### Music

No specific prerequisite courses are required. Audition and academic record determine admissibility. B.Mus./B.Ed. applicants must also meet Education requirements. (No SAT or ACT tests required except for B.Mus./B.Ed. applicants.)

### Nursing

- Pre-calculus (functions)
- Two of the following: biology, chemistry, or physics
- Three SAT IIs, including two of the following: Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics or Physics.

### Science

- Pre-calculus (functions)
- Two of the following: biology, chemistry, or physics
- Three SAT IIs, including two of the following: Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics or Physics.

## 2.10 Applicants from High Schools Outside Canada and the U.S.A

The normal basis for admission is completion of the credentials which lead to university admission in the applicant's country of study. Consideration is given to the complete high school record with emphasis on grades obtained in courses most relevant to the intended program of study. All grades are taken into consideration, including those from failed or repeated courses. See "[Advanced Standing or Transfer Credits](#)" on page 14 for more information.

### 2.10.1 Advanced Level (A-Level) Examinations

The minimum requirements are three A-Levels with at least two subjects with predicted and final grades of B or better, and one A-Level subject with a predicted and final grade of C or better. Applicants are expected to present results of at least five different GCSEs (normally, with grades of B or better). However, many programs are more competitive and require higher grades for both GCSEs and A-Levels.

Applicants completing Upper Form VI are considered based on GCSEs, Form VI grades, AS 1 results and predicted A-Levels. Two Advanced Subsidiary subjects may be considered in lieu of one A-Level on an individual basis. Applicants with a minimum of five appropriate GCSEs with clearly superior marks (i.e., As and Bs), plus Lower Form VI with equally superior grades, can be considered for admission to a four-year program.

### Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Dietetics and Human Nutrition

- Two A-Level subjects with final grades of B or better
- One A-Level subject with a final grade of C or better
- Subjects must include: at least one A-Level subject in Mathematics and one A-Level subject in Biology, Chemistry or Physics
- Other Science subjects must be taken at the GCSE level

### Architecture

- Three A-Level subjects
- Five GCSEs
- Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry must be taken at the Advanced or GCSE level (it is expected that at least two would be taken at the Advanced Level). Applicants with only one or two of these subjects at A-Level may be considered for a longer program.
- Portfolio

### Arts, Education, Management

- Three A-Level subjects
  - For Management, subjects must include at least one A-Level Mathematics with a grade of B or better
- B.Mus./B.Ed. applicants must also meet Music requirements.

### Engineering

- Three A-Level subjects
- Five GCSEs
- Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry must be taken at the Advanced or GCSE level (it is expected that at least two would be taken at the Advanced Level).

### Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy

- Two A-Level subjects with grades of B or better
- Two A-Level subjects with grades of C or better
- A-Level subjects must include Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics and Physics

*Note:* The School of Physical and Occupational Therapy is re-evaluating its undergraduate programs. Potential applicants to these programs for September 2004 or later are advised to consult the McGill Website prior to completing an application form.

### Music

- Three A-Level subjects. Audition and academic record determine admissibility
- B.Mus./B.Ed. applicants must also meet Education requirements.

### Nursing

- Two A-Level subjects with grades of B or better
- One A-Level subject with a grade of C or better
- A-Level subjects must include: at least one Mathematics and two of Biology, Chemistry or Physics.

**Science**

- Two A-Level subjects with final grades of B or better
- One A-Level subject with a final grade of C or better
- Subjects must include: at least one A-Level subject in Mathematics and one A-Level subject in Biology, Chemistry or Physics
- Other Science subjects must be taken at the GCSE level.

**2.10.2 French Baccalaureate**

A diploma in "premier groupe" with "mention assez bien" (i.e., 12/20) is the minimum expected for most programs.

*Warning:* Admission is competitive. Applicants who present the minimum requirements are not guaranteed admission.

A maximum of 30 credits advanced standing can be granted.

**Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Dietetics and Human Nutrition**

- Series S, with a minimum overall average 12/20 and a minimum of 10/20 in each mathematics, biological and physical sciences course.

**Architecture**

- Series S, with a minimum overall average of 12/20 and a minimum of 11/20 in each mathematics and physical sciences course
- Portfolio

**Arts**

- Series L, ES, or S, with a minimum overall average of 12/20

**Education, Social Work**

- Series L, ES, or S, with a minimum overall average of 12/20.

B.Mus./B.Ed. applicants must also meet Music requirements.

**Engineering**

- Series S, with a minimum overall average of 12/20 and a minimum of 11/20 in each mathematics and physical sciences course.

**Management**

- Series S, with a minimum overall average of 12/20 and a minimum of 12/20 in mathematics, or
- Series ES with a minimum overall average of 13/20 and a minimum of 13/20 in mathematics

**Music**

- Series L, ES, or S, with a minimum overall average of 12/20
- Audition and academic record determine admissibility

B.Mus./B.Ed. applicants must also meet Education requirements.

**Nursing**

- Series S, with a minimum overall average 12/20 and a minimum of 10/20 in each mathematics, biological and physical sciences course.

**Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy**

- Series S, with a minimum overall average 12/20 and a minimum of 10/20 in each mathematics, biological and physical sciences course. Applicants may be required to complete additional courses in organic chemistry prior to admission.

*Note:* The School of Physical and Occupational Therapy is re-evaluating its undergraduate programs. Potential applicants to these programs for September 2004 or later are advised to consult the McGill Website prior to completing an application form.

**Science**

- Series S, with a minimum overall average 12/20 and a minimum of 10/20 in each mathematics, biological and physical sciences course.

**2.10.3 International Baccalaureate Diploma**

Students in dual IB/CEGEP programs should also refer to "[Applicants from Quebec CEGEPs](#)" on page 14. For programs requiring mathematics at Standard Level, only Mathematical Methods will be accepted.

**Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Dietetics and Human Nutrition**

- Higher or Standard Level Mathematics and normally two of the following: Biology, Chemistry, or Physics

**Architecture**

- Mathematics, Chemistry and Physics at Higher or Standard Levels with at least one of them at Higher Level
- Portfolio

**Arts, Education, Social Work**

- No specific prerequisite courses

B.Mus./B.Ed. applicants must also meet Music requirements.

**Engineering**

- Mathematics, Chemistry, and Physics at Higher or Standard Levels

**Management**

- Mathematics at Higher Level.

Applicants with Mathematical Methods will be considered on an individual basis.

**Music**

- No specific prerequisite courses are required
- Audition and academic record determine admissibility

B.Mus./B.Ed. applicants must also meet Education requirements.

**Nursing**

- Mathematics and two of the following: biology, chemistry, physics at Higher or Standard Level.

**Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy**

- Biology, chemistry, mathematics, and physics at Higher Level

*Note:* The School of Physical and Occupational Therapy is re-evaluating its undergraduate programs. Potential applicants to these programs for September 2004 or later are advised to consult the McGill Website prior to completing an application form.

**Science**

- Mathematics and two of the following: biology, chemistry, physics at Higher or Standard Level.

**2.10.4 Other International Admissions Credentials**

McGill University receives applications from well over 100 countries each year. Our Website, [www.mcgill.ca/applying/undergrad](http://www.mcgill.ca/applying/undergrad) lists some of the most frequently seen international secondary school diplomas. We are constantly updating this list as school systems evolve around the world. Students who have completed these and other recognised international diplomas with strong grades in all required courses are eligible to apply to McGill.

Admission is competitive and depends on the space available; applicants with the minimum requirements are not guaranteed acceptance.

**2.11 Applicants From Other Universities or Colleges and Second Bachelor Degree Applicants ('Transfers')****General Information**

The University welcomes applications from well-qualified students who wish to transfer to McGill. Transfer applicants are considered on the basis of university/college work and previous studies. Applicants should have well-above average academic records and prerequisites appropriate to the program they wish to pursue at McGill. Particular attention will be paid to results of courses relevant to the proposed program of study. Competition for admission may vary significantly from year to year depending on demand for the program.

**Note:** In order to form a basis for admission to science, engineering or management programs, or to be considered for credit or exemption, science and mathematics courses must have been completed within the last five years.

Eligibility for advanced standing credit can only be determined after a completed application and all necessary supporting docu-



ments (including detailed course descriptions) have been received. In addition to course descriptions of mathematics and science courses, applicants are asked to specify the name and editions of textbooks used.

Each faculty's policy will determine whether advanced standing credit and/or exemption from certain courses will be granted.

Applicants to the Bachelor of Theology, Special Bachelor of Social Work, Diploma in Environment, Diploma in Meteorology, Certificate in Ecological Agriculture, or Certificate in Entrepreneurship refer to "[Programs for Students with a Previous University Degree](#)" on page 19.

**Note:** Quebec high school (Secondary V) graduates are expected to complete a Quebec CEGEP DCS prior to admission to McGill. A Quebec high school graduate who does not proceed to CEGEP but undertakes one full year of university study outside Quebec may be admissible as a Transfer Student. Such applicants are advised to consult the appropriate McGill Admissions Office prior to applying, in order to ensure that they possess a valid basis for admission. Individuals who have undertaken studies in non-university post-secondary institutions such as technical colleges may not be eligible for admission as transfer students.

## MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM – TRANSFER STUDENTS

### Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Dietetics and Human Nutrition

- One term of calculus
- Two terms of either biology, chemistry or physics each with labs

### Architecture and Engineering

- One term of differential calculus
- One term of integral calculus
- One term of linear algebra
- Two terms of physics (mechanics, electricity and magnetism, waves and optics) with labs
- Two terms of general chemistry with labs.

It is possible to be admitted to certain departments in Engineering with a minimum of two terms of calculus plus two terms of chemistry or physics. Admission to Architecture and to Computer, Electrical, Mechanical and Software Engineering is highly competitive and applicants should normally have all the prerequisites.

### Arts, Education, Religious Studies, and Social Work

- No specific prerequisite courses

B.Mus./B.Ed. applicants must also meet Music requirements.

### Management

- One term in each of differential and integral calculus
- Applicants from Quebec universities must also have a one-term course in linear algebra

### Music

- No specific prerequisite courses are required
- Audition and academic record determine admissibility

B.Mus./B.Ed. applicants must also meet Education requirements.

### Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy

- Two terms of biology with labs
- Two terms of general chemistry with labs
- One term of organic chemistry with lab
- Two terms of physics (mechanics, electricity and magnetism, waves and optics) with labs
- One term of differential calculus
- One term of integral calculus

**Note:** The School of Physical and Occupational Therapy is re-evaluating its undergraduate programs. Potential applicants to these programs for September 2004 or later are advised to consult the McGill Website prior to completing an application form.

### Nursing (B.N.)

Contact the ARR Admissions Officer responsible for Nursing at (514) 398-4752 or the School of Nursing at (514) 398-4144 for requirements.

### Nursing (B.Sc. (N))

- Two terms of either biology or chemistry or physics (each with labs)
- One term of differential calculus
- One term of integral calculus

### Science

- Two terms of either biology or chemistry or physics (each with labs)
- One term of differential calculus
- One term of integral calculus

## 2.12 Programs for Students with a Previous University Degree

Applicants must hold an appropriate university degree to be eligible for admission to the following programs. Note to our francophone applicants: a "Diploma" has a different meaning than the French "Diplôme". For McGill, the Diploma is usually a short, specialised program which follows a Bachelor's degree.

### Certificate in Ecological Agriculture

Students holding a B.Sc. in agriculture or a related area are eligible to apply for this program provided they are otherwise acceptable for admission to the University. The Certificate is a two-term (30 credit) program.

### Certificate in Entrepreneurship

Students holding a B.Sc. in agriculture or a related area are eligible to apply for this program provided they are otherwise acceptable for admission to the University. The Certificate is a two-term (30 credit) program.

### Diploma in Environment

The Diploma in Environment is a 30-credit program, two terms in duration if taken full time. All credits for this Diploma must be completed at McGill. Applicants must hold a B.Sc. or B.A. degree equivalent to 16 years of schooling, with a minimum CGPA of 2.7 on 4.

### Diploma in Meteorology

The Diploma in Meteorology is a 30-credit program, two terms in duration if taken full time. All credits for this Diploma must be completed at McGill. Applicants must hold a B.Eng. or B.Sc. (mathematics or physics) degree (or a degree in another appropriate discipline) equivalent to 16 years of schooling, with a minimum CGPA of 2.7 on 4.

### Special Bachelor of Social Work Degree

This program consists of 48 credits of full-time study completed over a 14-month period. The initial six-week spring session begins in May and is followed by the September to April academic session, and a second spring session (April to June).

## 2.13 Mature Students

### GENERAL INFORMATION

Applicants may be considered for admission as mature students provided they meet all the conditions for eligibility outlined below. Many supporting documents are required for Mature Student applications. Please review carefully the relevant information in the "[Supporting Documentation](#)" section.

### BASIC REQUIREMENTS FOR MATURE STUDENTS

#### Music

- Records of previous studies at high school, college or university (Official transcripts are required for all recent post-secondary studies and may be requested for previous studies.)
- No specific prerequisite courses are required
- An audition is required
- 21 years of age at time of registration (proof of age is required)
- Audition and academic record determine admissibility to any program

B.Mus./B.Ed. applicants must also meet Education requirements.

**Religious Studies**

- Must complete a qualifying year of designated Religious Studies and Arts courses before being admitted to the B.Th. program
- 27 years of age at time of registration

**All other Programs**

- Canadian citizen or Canadian Permanent Resident
- 23 years of age at time of registration (21 years of age for Faculty of Management)
- No college or university level studies within the last five years that would constitute a basis for admission (Official transcripts are required for all recent post-secondary studies and may be requested for previous studies.)
- Applicants with college or university results that are not competitive must complete more advanced studies with strong results at another college or university before applying
- Demonstrated academic potential by completing a minimum number of appropriate courses within the three-year period prior to admission. These courses are taken to fulfil prerequisites for the proposed program.
- Prerequisites can be fulfilled at either a CEGEP or university

**MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS BY PROGRAM – MATURE STUDENTS****Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Dietetics and Human Nutrition**

Applicants must have completed a minimum of:

- One course in differential calculus
- Two of the following: biology, chemistry or physics, at the college or university level, each with a grade of 70% or better (on first attempt)

**Architecture**

- Two terms of differential and integral calculus
- One term of linear algebra
- Two terms of physics (mechanics, electricity and magnetism, waves and optics) with labs
- Two terms of general chemistry with labs
- Applicants with exceptional grades may be considered with a minimum of two terms of calculus and any two of the above chemistry and physics courses
- Prerequisites may be completed at CEGEP or university
- Portfolio

**Arts**

Two courses appropriate to the proposed area of study, each with a minimum grade of B.

**Education**

- Two courses, one in English (not E.S.L.) and one in the proposed teaching area, each with a minimum grade of B
- Candidates whose applications pass the initial review will be contacted for an interview

B.Mus./B.Ed. applicants must also meet Music requirements.

**Engineering**

- Minimum three courses including: differential calculus, physics (mechanics) with lab and one term of general chemistry with lab, each with 75% or better

**Management**

In addition to the requirements specified under the “*Mature Students General Information*” section above, individuals who were unsuccessful in gaining admission to Management in the past as regular students must have been out of school for three years after such results and be at least 21 years of age at the time of admission.

Applicants must have completed the following two courses within five years of the date of admission with a minimum average of 70%:

- CMSC 203 (627-203) Survey of Basic Math 1
- CMSC 204 (627-204) Survey of Basic Math 2

(If completed within the last five years, CEGEP Math NYA, NYB, NYC or 103, 203 and 105, with a competitive 'r score' or university equivalents with a minimum “B” average are acceptable in lieu of CMSC 203 and 204.)

Applicants must complete a minimum of six of the courses listed below with an average of “B”. These must include the following three:

- MGCR 211 (280-211) Intro to Financial Accounting
- MGCR 271 (280-271) Statistics 1 or MGCR 273 (280-273)
- MGCR 293 (280-293) Managerial Economics

And at least three of the following:

- MGCR 213 (280-213) Intro to Management Accounting
- MGCR 222 (280-222) Organizational Behaviour
- MGCR 272 (280-272) Statistics 2 or MGCR 274 (280-274)
- MGCR 331 (280-331) Information Systems
- MGCR 341 (280-341) Finance 1
- MGCR 352 (280-352) Marketing Management
- ECON 295 (154-295) Macroeconomics Policy

Should a student take more management courses at CCE than those listed above, all results will be used to calculate the admission average. A minimum 3.00 is required on the above prerequisites AND on the overall average.

**Nursing (B.N.)**

Contact the ARR Admissions Officer responsible for Nursing at (514) 398-4752 or the School of Nursing at (514) 398-4144 for requirements. Please note that for students graduating with a technical DEC in Nursing, a reference letter from the Nursing supervisor and a copy of the current Quebec license from the OIIQ is required. Admission is contingent on passing the licensing examinations.

**Nursing (B.Sc. (N))**

Three courses:

- One in functions (pre-calculus)
- At least two of general biology, chemistry or physics (all with labs) each with a grade of 75% or better.

**Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy**

- Two terms of biology with labs
- Two terms of general chemistry with labs
- One term of organic chemistry with lab
- Two terms (three if CEGEP) of physics (mechanics, electricity and magnetism, waves and optics) with labs
- One term in each of differential and integral calculus to be completed at CEGEP or university

*Note:* The School of Physical and Occupational Therapy is re-evaluating its undergraduate programs. Potential applicants to these programs for September 2004 or later are advised to consult the McGill Website prior to completing an application form.

**Science**

Three courses:

- One in functions (pre-calculus)
- At least two of general biology, chemistry or physics (all with labs) each with a grade of 75% or better.

**Social Work**

- Two courses appropriate to the area of study, each with a minimum grade of B
- Significant paid or volunteer community work experience in fields related to the program
- Recommendations from community social agencies with which the applicant has been affiliated

**2.14 Special or Visiting Students (non-McGill degree)****GENERAL INFORMATION**

Successful applicants to McGill as Special or Visiting Students are generally required to have a minimum overall “B” average. In addition, grades obtained in courses relevant to the proposed program of study will be considered.

The admission of Special or Visiting Students is subject to the availability of places in a particular program. Students who present

the minimum requirements are not guaranteed acceptance. Entrance to courses with enrolment limits, or which require permission of the instructor, is also not guaranteed.

Completion of courses as a Special or Visiting Student at McGill does not guarantee or improve the chances of entrance into a McGill degree program in a future year.

### SPECIAL STUDENTS

To qualify as a Special Student, applicants must have a university degree and a plan of study that is acceptable to the faculty they wish to enter. Music applicants do not require a university degree but must have the necessary Music prerequisites for certain courses. Special students in Music are not entitled to instrument or voice lessons. The maximum course load is 15 credits per term for a maximum of two terms (with the exception of Architecture where the maximum course load is 6 credits per term). Applicants who wish to hold Special Student status in Engineering or Architecture must provide a referral from the Order of Engineers or the Order of Architects, as appropriate. To take courses in English or French as a Second Language, Special Students must obtain written permission from the Department and will be permitted entry only if there is space after degree students have registered. A plan of study cannot consist only of E.S.L. or F.S.L. courses.

### VISITING STUDENTS

Students currently registered in degree programs at other universities and who have completed at least two terms of study can apply to take courses at McGill as Visiting Students. Course credits can be applied toward the program or study at their home university.

Students registered in degree programs in other Quebec universities, who wish to take one or two courses per term, should complete an Inter-University Transfer Form instead of the Application for Admission.

## 2.15 Exchange Students coming to McGill (non-McGill degree)

Students registered in degree programs at other universities can apply as Exchange Students. The other university must have an official bilateral exchange agreement with McGill, be a member of CANEX (Canada Exchange Scholars Program), or participate in exchange programs through CREPUQ (la Conférence des recteurs et principaux des universités du Québec). The list of McGill's exchange partners is posted on the Web at [www.mcgill.ca/students-information/exchanges](http://www.mcgill.ca/students-information/exchanges).

Exchange Students are selected and officially nominated by their home universities: the McGill application fee is waived. Applications, including all supporting documents, must be submitted to McGill no later than May 1. Music applications for instrumental or voice instruction must be received by January 15, since a live or taped audition is required. Home university internal application deadlines may vary. Applications which are incomplete or received after these deadlines will not be processed.

Applicants are considered on an individual basis; the minimum entrance requirement is generally a cumulative B average or its equivalent. Grades obtained in courses relevant to the proposed studies will be considered in addition to the overall average.

Some programs have a limited number of places for Exchange Students. Admission to courses that require permission of the instructor or which have otherwise limited enrolment, is not guaranteed. Successful completion of courses does not guarantee future entrance to a degree program. Admission decisions on exchange applications are final and there is no appeal process.

The Faculty of Management's undergraduate program (B.Com.) only accepts exchange applications from the business schools of McGill University's exchange partners. Please note that admission to the B.Com. program is limited and restricted to areas of study other than accounting, information systems (computers), and finance.

Completion of courses as an Exchange Student at McGill does not guarantee or improve the chances of entrance into a McGill degree program in a future year.

Please note: the following Faculties and Schools **do not** participate in bilateral or CREPUQ exchanges: Dentistry, Medicine, Nursing, Physical and Occupational Therapy, Social Work, Religious Studies.

