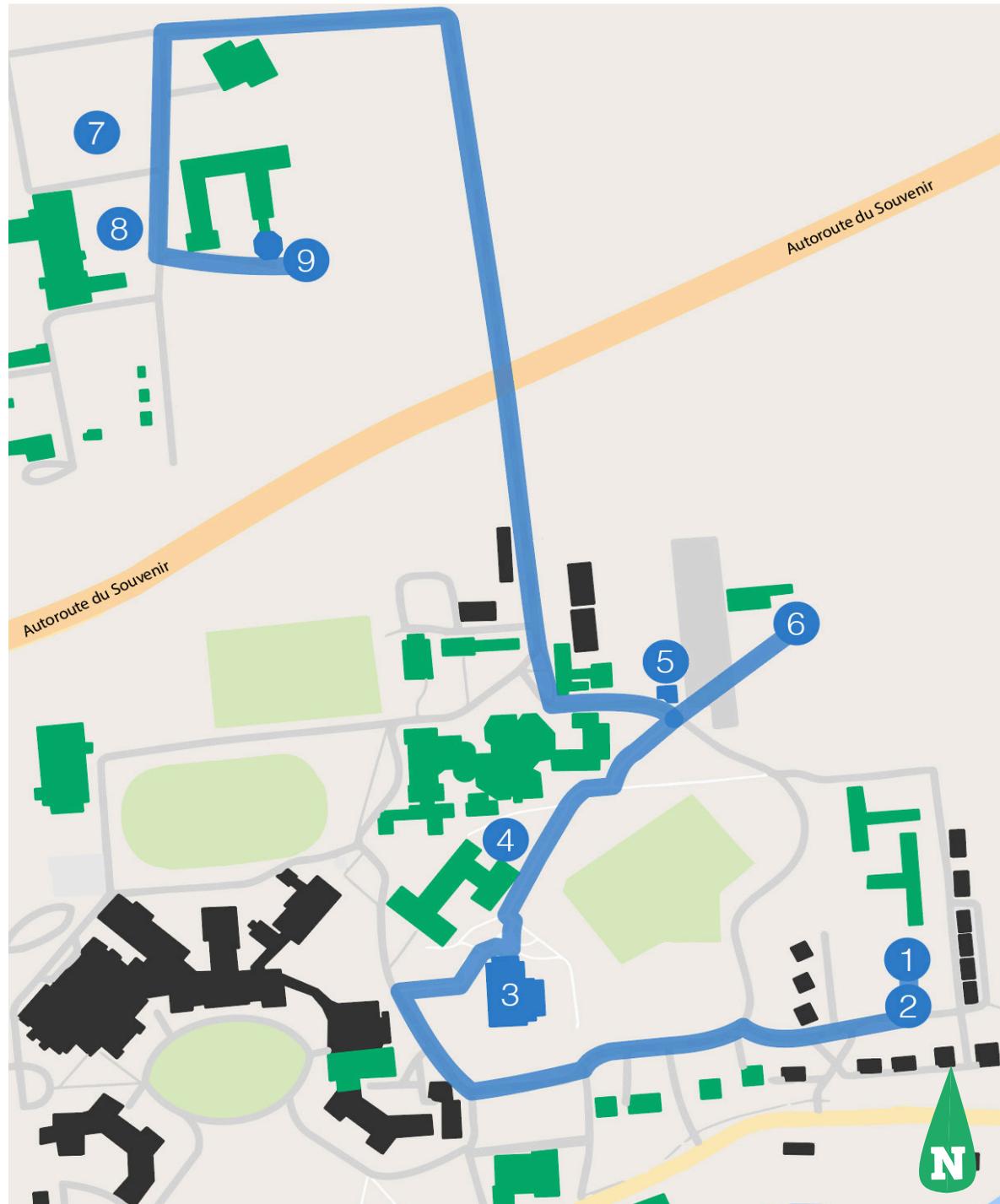


# Macdonald Campus Sustainability Tour

Located in the town of Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue, the Macdonald Campus (Mac), covers more than 650-hectares, making it the largest green space on the island of Montreal.

On this walking tour, you will discover how Mac's engaged community and bucolic setting promotes sustainability inside the classroom, in daily life, and in the field.

McGill is located on land that has long served as a site of meeting and exchange among Indigenous peoples, including the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabeg nations. We honour and recognize them as the traditional stewards of this land.



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### 1) Mac Community Garden

This 64-plot garden is available for staff, students, and community members near Macdonald campus to learn new skills, grown their own food, and meet their neighbours.



### 3) Out of the Garden Project Café\*, Ceilidh

This student directed café, open Tuesday and Wednesday for breakfast and lunch, sources the majority of its produce from farms on campus and in the surrounding area. The café is a healthy and affordable food option for staff and students that aims to create a closed-loop food system at Macdonald and educate its patrons about the chain of production.



### 5) Macdonald Energy Project, North Power House

Completed in January 2016, this project aims to reduce GHG emissions from stationary combustion by 40%, bringing the Macdonald Campus closer to its 90% renewable energy goal. Project highlights include heat recovery systems and a low-temperature water loop to allow for the future integration of renewable energy such as geothermal or solar power.



### 7) McGill Student-run Ecological Gardens\*

The McGill Student-run Ecological Gardens (MSEG) is a student-run group dedicated to ecological agriculture, academic investigation, and community engagement. MSEG produces organic vegetables and raises free-range chickens for eggs to sell at local market stands.



### 9) Farm to School Program and Ag-Connect\*

This is the site of two summer programs that connects Mac campus to the broader community. The Farm to School program teaches local schoolchildren to value the food they eat as they learn, hands-on, about its production from seed to table. Ag-Connect is an educational program for intellectually and physically challenged youth to develop agricultural work experience and life skills at the Macdonald Farm.



### 2) Butterfly Garden\*

The Macdonald Butterfly Garden is a place for students and townsfolk of Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue to experience the interactions between plants and pollinators. It also serves as an educational area to teach students and visitors about endangered species and bee-friendly design in urban areas.



### 4) Trekfit Outdoor Exercise Equipment

The first of its kind in a university setting, this exercise equipment brings the functionality of gym-quality weight machines outside. Based on the principles of accessibility, simplicity and safety, this adult playstructure is designed to promote a healthier lifestyle through regular physical activity.



### 6) Mac Market/ McGill Feeding McGill\*

The Mac Market, open from July to November, sells fresh fruits and vegetables produced by the Horticultural Research Centre. The Horticultural Centre also grows food for McGill's Food and Dining Services as part of the McGill Feeding McGill program. For the 2015-2016 academic year, McGill dining halls served more than 20,000 kilos of produce from Macdonald Campus.



### 8) B-Shack\*

The B-shack is an outreach, education, and research hub designed to increase understanding of the threat of honeybee colony collapse disorder to the world food supply. The pavilion, designed by McGill engineering and architecture students, will feature observational beehives, a custom green building skin, and a photovoltaic system. The project will be complete in Spring 2017.

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