

March 13, 2020

Med 1 Students

Dear Students,

Point of clarification: At the present time, all learning activities, including the ones scheduled in the clinical settings are cancelled. UGME is working on offering certain learning activities online as soon as next week. Thanks for your understanding!

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Dear students,

As you are aware, due to COVID-19, the government has closed schools, CEGEPS and universities for the next two weeks. As a result, McGill has cancelled all in-person classes until **March 29, inclusively**. However, to make sure you don't fall behind in your learning, UGME will offer online lectures whenever possible and as soon as possible. **In fact, online lectures may begin as early as next week.**

Additionally, there will likely be some changes to curriculum delivery and course requirements and assessments over the next two weeks. For example, large group lectures may take place online, or small group meetings may be replaced with an assignment. The MDCM Program Committee will meet via Zoom, an online conference platform, to review the proposed course changes for this academic year.

While the University is closed, we encourage you to review the course material for the INDS 116 – Defense course as well as prior course material that you may not have mastered.

Self-isolation

This week, the government encouraged anyone who, as of March 12, 2020, returned from abroad (this includes the United States) to self-isolate for 14 days to help slow the spread in the virus. If you have been travelling and returned to Canada on or after March 12, this directive applies to you. **If you do need to self-isolate, please contact undergrad.med@mcgill.ca to inform the UGME Office.**

More information about COVID-19 and the University's directives can be found [here](#), and the Faculty of Medicine specific directives can be found [here](#).

The COVID-19 situation is rapidly evolving. We expect to send updates to you via e-Digest or e-mail as soon as new information becomes available and decisions are made. We encourage you to consult the websites below daily.

Stay informed:

- [McGill Faculty of Medicine COVID-19 Updates](#)

- [McGill Coronavirus Updates](#)
- [Santé Québec](#)
- [Info-Santé](#)
- [Public Health Agency of Canada \(PHAC\)](#)
- [Public Health Agency of Canada \(PHAC\) – COVID-10 for Health Professionals](#)
- [World Health Organization \(WHO\)](#)