Congratulations on your acceptance to McGill!

We know you probably have questions and may not know where to begin looking. Start by confirming your offer of admission by the deadline indicated in your letter! This FAQ sheet is to help you navigate the infinite resources available to you at McGill.

Campus Life & Engagement

514-398-6913 • firstyear@mcgill.ca • Brown Student Services Building (3600 McTavish), Suite 3100

CL&E is where you, as a new graduate student, can go with all of your questions, especially when you don't know where to start. Everyone in CL&E is here to help you throughout your years at McGill, but there are two positions on the team that you should be aware of as you begin your studies at McGill:

Leslie Copeland, First-Year Coordinator

Responsible for overseeing the coordination & implementation of orientation and support programming for new students.

Manon Lemelin, Assistant for New Francophone Students

Provides support to all new Francophone students at McGill, in particular, those students studying in English for the first time.

Schedule of Events

2:30 - 3:30 pm………Student Panel: What I Wish I’d Known Starting Grad School

3:30 - 4:30 pm………Discover McGill Services Fair

4:30 - 5:30 pm………Discover McGill Academic Expectations Workshop

6:00 - 8:30 pm………COMunity Social Event:
Winter Wonderland

What should I attend?

Discover McGill Orientation

Downtown Campus

Tuesday, January 3, 2017 from 2:30 – 5:30 pm
Shatner University Centre, 3480 McTavish Street

Macdonald Campus

Tuesday, January 10, 2017 from 5:30 – 7:00 pm
Location to be confirmed
http://www.mcgill.ca/firstyear/graduate-postdoctoral/orientation/winter-january
Watch for your email invitation in early December from Campus Life & Engagement.

Documents

Legal Documents

www.mcgill.ca/legaldocuments

You will have to submit legal documentation to the University to determine your legal & tuition status. The Legal Documents website lets you know exactly what is required. Submit all legal documents including immigration documents to Legal Documents.

Service Point!

Submit them as early as possible so your status can be updated!

Housing

Downtown & Mac Campus Residences

http://www.mcgill.ca/students/housing/rez-options/downtown-graduate

If you are beginning your studies in January, please contact the Residence Admissions Office at (514) 398-6368 or by email at housing.residences@mcgill.ca starting October 15th to request a spot in Residence. To get a better idea of housing options, take a look at the pictures on the downtown graduate housing website listed above. If you are planning on living in Residence on the Macdonald Campus, e-mail residences.macdonald@mcgill.ca or call 514-398-7716 to request your spot. Visit the Macdonald Campus Residences website for more information.

http://www.mcgill.ca/students/housing/rez-options/macdonald

Immigration Documents

www.mcgill.ca/internationalstudents/pre-arrival/immigration-documents

• CAQ: Quebec Acceptance Certificate
• Expired documents
• Permanent Residence

Living Off-Campus?

www.mcgill.ca/students/housing/offcampus/

If you choose to live off-campus, McGill has many great resources to help you find housing! Start by visiting the Off-Campus Housing website or office. It has extensive information that will help you find the perfect apartment! In their “Apartment Listings” section, you can browse their online database once you sign in. You can also visit the Campus Life & Engagement Office for tips on finding an apartment!

Canadian Students

www.studentcare.ca — McGill University graduate students (PGSS and MCGSS). Canadian graduate students beginning their studies in January may opt-in to the Post-Graduate Students’ Society’s Health and Dental Plan. The opt-in period is from January 17th to the 31st, 2017. For information on coverage, costs and claims, please visit the studentcare website or the PGSS website.

International Students

www.mcgill.ca/internationalstudents/health

International students are enrolled in the International Students’ Health Insurance Plan. You must confirm your coverage starting December 15 by accessing the Minerva > Student > International Student Health Insurance Coverage Form under the Student Menu. Doing this will allow you to pick up your health insurance card from Service Point upon arrival at McGill University in January. Information about the International Health Insurance including exemptions, adding dependents, coverage, and claims is available on the International Student Services website.
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**International Student Services website.**

Information about the International Health Insurance including your health insurance card from Service Point upon arrival at McGill University under the Student Menu. Doing this will allow you to pick up your Insurance Plan. You must confirm your coverage starting International students are enrolled in the International Students' Health Insurance Plan. If you need to make changes to your health insurance, you can do so through the McGill Student Health Plans office. You can also visit the McGill International Student Services website for more information.

**What can I engage in?**

- **Working on Campus**
  - **External and Internal funding**
    - [www.mcgill.ca/gradapplicants/funding](http://www.mcgill.ca/gradapplicants/funding)
  - **Teaching and Research Assistantships**
    - [www.mcgill.ca/gradapplicants/funding/internal/assistantships](http://www.mcgill.ca/gradapplicants/funding/internal/assistantships)

- **Montreal Essentials**
  - Visit the Montreal Essentials page of Campus Life & Engagement's first-year website: [www.mcgill.ca/firstyear/montreal](http://www.mcgill.ca/firstyear/montreal) to get more information on everything from restaurants to banking, cell phone providers, insurance and much more!

- **Grad Life Orientation (GLO)**
  - Grad Life Orientation, available through myCourses, is an online info hub for all new graduate students at McGill and can be accessed before you arrive on campus.

- **International Buddy Program**
  - The International Student Services' Buddy Program pairs senior and new international students to help them navigate their first year of study at McGill: [www.mcgill.ca/internationalstudents/pre-arrival/buddy-program/sign-buddy](http://www.mcgill.ca/internationalstudents/pre-arrival/buddy-program/sign-buddy)

**What resources can I use?**

- **Campus Life & Engagement's Website for First-Year Students**
  - [www.mcgill.ca/firstyear/graduate-postdoctoral](http://www.mcgill.ca/firstyear/graduate-postdoctoral)
  - Visit the following sections:
    - Pre-Arrival
    - Orientation
    - Resources for Your Success
    - Get to Know McGill

- **Graduate & Postdoctoral Studies**
  - [www.mcgill.ca/gradwelcome](http://www.mcgill.ca/gradwelcome)
  - University Services
  - Funding your graduate education
  - Professional Development

- **Post Graduate Students' Society**

- **Service Point**
  - [www.mcgill.ca/students/servicepoint](http://www.mcgill.ca/students/servicepoint)
  - 3415 McTavish Street
  - Submit legal & immigration documents
  - All admissions inquiries
  - Student Accounts

- **Minerva**
  - [www.mcgill.ca/minerva](http://www.mcgill.ca/minerva)
  - 3415 McTavish Street
  - Register for courses
  - Apply for Work Study
  - If you qualify for it and plan to work on campus.

Still have questions? The CL&E office is here to answer any questions you may have throughout your time at McGill. Send us an e-mail, follow us on social media, or visit [mcgill.ca/cle](http://mcgill.ca/cle) to stay informed!