#### McGILL SUMMER STUDIES IN GREECE (MSSG)

#### THESSALONIKI

JUNE 4 – JUNE 30 2018

### **Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)**

### 1) Who can register for the MSSG?

The MSSG is open to students from <u>McGill University</u> **and** from all accredited <u>university institutions</u> in Quebec, North America and around the world.

### 2) When and where are the information sessions about the MSSG?

Thursday, November 30/16:30 - 18:00 / Wilson Hall

Monday, January 15/16:30 - 18:00 / Location TBD

Wednesday, February 21/16:30 - 18:00/ Location TBD

If you cannot attend or have missed these sessions, please contact us at: <a href="mailto:Summer.Greece@mcgill.ca">Summer.Greece@mcgill.ca</a>.

All McGill students are required to attend <u>the Pre-departure Orientation</u> Session to be <u>held on March 2018 (TBA).</u>

## 3) How do I apply for the MSSG?

Complete, sign and submit the **Application Form** and the **Student Acknowledgment Form** by **March 15, 2018** in an envelope to the following address:

ISAVELLA VOUZA

MCGILL SUMMER STUDIES IN GREECE

History and Classical Studies McGill University

855 Sherbrooke West

Montreal, QC H3A 2T7

Forms can be found @ McGill Summer Studies in Greece

## 4) How do I pay for the \$150 non-refundable deposit?

#### **McGill students**

Once you submit the **Application Form** and the **Student Acknowledgment Form**, the non-refundable deposit (\$150) will be immediately charged on your student

account; you will see the charged fee on your Account Summary by Term. Make the payment to your student fee account by March 15, 2018.

Submission of the <u>two forms</u> and <u>charging of non-refundable deposit</u> means you have been accepted to attend the MSSG.

#### Non---McGill students

Payment of the deposit must be made by CERTIFIED CHEQUE or MONEY ORDER ONLY.

No personal cheques or cash will be accepted.

ADD YOUR NAME TO THE FRONT OF YOUR MONEY ORDER.

Send the payment with your Application form to the address above. (0#3)

### 5) When and how do I pay for the full cost of the summer school?

#### **McGill students**

Tuition fees and the Summer Studies Fee (the remaining 2,945) will be charged through your Student Account. You are responsible for making the full payment of the MSSG costs by **April 15, 2018**.

Per regular Student Accounts regulations, you will be charged interest on any outstanding balances at the end of the month in which the charges were billed.

The easiest way to pay is through online banking from a Canadian bank account. McGill is registered as a bill with all major Canadian banks. In your online banking:

- 1) Set up McGill as a new bill (or payee)
- 2) Indicate your McGill ID number when asked for an account number
- 3) Effect payment
- 4) Check your Account Summary by Term in Minerva to see that the payment has arrived (online banking payments will take 1-3 business days to arrive at McGill).

For questions regarding payment, please contact <a href="mailto:student.accounts@mcgill.ca">student.accounts@mcgill.ca</a>.

Once you have made the payment for the MSSG costs, email <a href="mailto:summer.greece@mcgill.ca">summer.greece@mcgill.ca</a> with the subject line "MSSG FULL PAYMENT" and include your name and ID in the body of the email.

#### **Non---McGill students**

The deadline for payment of the MSSG costs (Tuition and Summer Studies Fees) is **April 15, 2018**.

Failure to pay by this date may result in the cancellation of your participation in the MSSG.

If you have received your McGill ID by April 15, 2018, the easiest way to pay is through online banking from a Canadian bank account. McGill is registered as a bill with all major Canadian banks. In your online banking:

- 1) Set up McGill as a new bill (or payee)
- 2) Indicate your McGill ID number when asked for an account number
- 3) Effect payment
- 4) Check your Account Summary by Term in Minerva to see that the payment has arrived (online banking payments will take 1---3 business days to arrive at McGill).

For questions regarding payment, please contact student.accounts@mcgill.ca.

If you have **not** received your McGill ID by April 15, 2018, the remaining \$2,945 can be paid by CERTIFIED CHEQUE or MONEY ORDER ONLY. No personal cheques or cash will be accepted.

ADD YOUR NAME TO THE FRONT OF YOUR MONEY ORDER.

Payment may be made by mail and sent to the address above (Q#3)

# 6) What is the difference between the McGill Tuition Fees and the Summer Studies Fee?

The cost of McGill Summer Studies in Greece includes the following two components:

- 1) <u>McGill Tuition and Fees</u> regular tuition charges associated with the number of credits, your specific program, and fee residency. This fee depends on your status of registration.
- 2) <u>Summer Studies Fee -</u> \$3,095/per student. Includes course pack, accommodation in 4-Star Hotel or better, meals\*, onsite visits, travel within Greece when associated with onsite visits. \* (7 breakfasts, 4 dinners and a local tavern/per week)

## 7) When and how do I register for the course?

Deadline to register for the course is April 15, 2018.

Register for the following course: **HIST 262 Mediterranean and European Interconnections.** 

#### McGill students

Once your application is approved and you have been charged the \$150 deposit, you will receive an email notifying you to register for the course on Minerva. Summer courses are usually available on Minerva as of March. However, the course for MSSG requires a permit override before registration on Minerva. These permits will be sent to your McGill e-mail only after you have paid the MSSG deposit (\$150).

#### Non---McGill students

- a. Obtain a McGill ID number
- b. Register on Minerva

#### **Quebec University Students**

If you are a student at another Quebec University you must complete an INTER UNIVERSITY TRANSFER form. The IUT form can be found on your university homepage through the CREPUQ link <a href="http://www.crepuq.qc.ca">http://www.crepuq.qc.ca</a>. Once you have filled out the form, you must submit it electronically to your university. Your application will be reviewed by your home institution and once it is approved it will be sent to McGill University for review and approval. The IUT automatically permits the transfer of credits from one Quebec University to another.

Visit <a href="https://www.mcgill.ca/summer/applying/iut">www.mcgill.ca/summer/applying/iut</a> for more information.

Once your IUT application is approved by McGill University, you will receive an email confirming your McGill ID.

SEND YOUR McGILL ID number to <u>Summer.Greece@mcgill.ca</u> AS SOON AS YOU RECEIVE IT. Once you have paid the MSSG deposit (\$150) we will send you a permit override so you can register for the course.

#### **University Students outside of Ouebec**

If you are not a Quebec University student you must apply to McGill Summer Studies as a **special student**. See <a href="https://www.mcgill.ca/summer/applying/special">www.mcgill.ca/summer/applying/special</a> for details and to access the registration form.

After completing the Special Student registration form and submitting supporting documentation, McGill will review your application. If approved you will be granted Special Student status at McGill for the Summer session and you will receive a McGill ID number.

SEND YOUR MCGILL ID# number to <a href="mailto:Summer.Greece@mcgill.ca">Summer.Greece@mcgill.ca</a> AS SOON AS YOU RECEIVE IT. Once we receive your payment of the MSSG deposit (\$150) we will send you a permit override so you can register for the course via Minerva.

## 8) Complete and submit the Travel Registry form

After registering on Minerva you will receive a message requiring you to complete a travel registry form. All students traveling outside of Canada for McGill study purposes are required to complete this form. The Travel Registry form can be found at <a href="https://www.mcgill.ca/students/international/registry">www.mcgill.ca/students/international/registry</a>.

Any questions concerning the Travel Registry form can be directed to <a href="mailto:predepartures@mcgill.ca">predepartures@mcgill.ca</a>

**9)** Can I participate in the MSSG if I'm not yet a university student? No. Only students from accredited undergraduate programs are eligible to apply. CEGEP students are not accepted.

# 10) I will be graduating in June 2018, am I still considered a McGill student for the summer?

No. If you are graduating in June you will have to fill out a Summer Registration form, available from <a href="www.mcgill.ca/summer/applying/special">www.mcgill.ca/summer/applying/special</a> (see Q#7). By completing the form and supplying the relevant documentation you will be granted <a href="special student">special student</a> status at McGill for the Summer session. You must ALSO submit the Application form, the Student Acknowledgment form and pay the non-refundable deposit for the MSSG.

### 11) Is the airfare included in the cost of the MSSG?

No. Students are responsible for their own airfare, transportation to and from airports and any other miscellaneous costs while in Greece.

The Summer Studies fee covers the course material, accommodation in a Hotel, meals (7 breakfasts, 4 dinners and a local tavern/per week), onsite visits, and travel within Greece when associated with onsite visits. You are responsible for purchasing your own air ticket.

The hotel room is available to you as of June 3rd, 2018 prior to the first day of the course. You may remain in the hotel until June 30th, 2018 (12 noon)\*, the day after the final day of your course. Transportation to and from the University is arranged by the MSSG and is covered by the Summer Studies fee.

\* TBD

# 12) Is the cost of course material included in the cost of program? When do I have access to it?

Yes, course material, excluding books, is included in the cost of the program. Students will be provided the syllabus and the list of course readings before they leave for Greece. Course material will also be available on MyCourses.

## 13) When and where is the 4-day field trip going to take place?

The field trip will take place half-way through the course. More details about the trip will be available at a later time.

# 14) Is the cost of the 4-day field trip included in the Summer Studies Fee?

Yes. Accommodation during the field trip includes the same elements as the rest of your stay in Thessaloniki (see Q#11)

## **15)** Where is the hotel situated?

Details regarding the hotel will be available during the first months of 2018. The hotel in Thessaloniki will be located at the center of the city. Transportation to and from the University is arranged by the MSSG and is covered by the Summer Studies fee.

The hotel rooms will be available to you as of the Sunday before the first day of your course until the Saturday (noon) after the last day of your course. Please make your travel plans accordingly. The hotel room will <u>not</u> be available to you before or after

the aforementioned. Should you arrive in Thessaloniki early, or remain after the summer school, you will have to provide for your own accommodation.

### 16) How do I arrange the double-shared occupancy?

If you know who you want to share a room, you can indicate the name of the person in your Application Form. If you do not have a roommate, the MSSG will assign you a person of the same gender.

# 17) What happens if I have to cancel my participation in the MSSG? Do I get a refund?

Students may drop courses up to and including the fourth scheduled lecture and be reimbursed the McGill tuition costs ONLY.

If at any point you need to cancel your participation in the MSSG, you MUST inform us via e-mail, <a href="mailto:Summer.Greece@mcgill.ca">Summer.Greece@mcgill.ca</a>. Failure to do so will result in cancellation fees.

The Summer Studies fee, excluding the non-refundable \$150 deposit, will be refunded only if cancellation notification is received by April 15 2018.

## 18) What happens after the registration deadline of April 15, 2018?

After April 15, 2018 (registration & payment deadline) we will organize an information meeting for all participating students. The Summer 2018 meeting will be held in May. You will receive notification for the date and time via email. **Attendance is mandatory.** 

The meeting is the last one held before your departure to Greece. At this meeting you will receive overall details of your session in Thessaloniki, you will confirm your preferences regarding accommodation and you will also have the chance to meet all other participants.

## 19) Do I need a visa to go to Greece?

If you are a Canadian, USA or European Union citizen, you do not need a visa to visit Greece. If you are a citizen of any other country, please contact the Greek Consulate General for information concerning tourist visas as soon as possible. You do not need a student visa as you are paying fees to McGill, not to a Greek institution and all housing is pre-paid in Canada, prior to your departure. For the Greek authorities you are considered a tourist.

## 20) What happens once I arrive in Thessaloniki?

As of the Sunday prior to the first day of your classes, you have access to your hotel room. You will receive details for the hotel well in advance of your arrival in Thessaloniki.

# 21) If my family needs to reach me in Thessaloniki, how can they find me?

All students are encouraged to access their e-mail on a regular basis. You will have access to the Internet both in the hotel and the university campus. Also, it is possible to buy a cellular phone card in Greece, which you can use for the duration of your

stay. McGill faculty and staff are NOT responsible for relaying messages to you from your parents.

### 22) Do I need health insurance?

All students are required to obtain their own health and travel insurance including proof of supplemental health insurance, emergency medical expense coverage and emergency evacuation insurance.

For more information, please consult the section about travel insurance, on the international education's FAQs page here.