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Good luck during exam season!



The **Final Exam Schedule** is available.

We wish a big congratulations to all those expecting to graduate this year. You're almost at the finish line - hang in there, and before you know it, it will all be over and you'll be done! Bon courage!

Stay tuned for our final newsletter on May 1st with tips for summer.

The Team at ISS

Important Update on Off-campus Work:

On March 12, 2018, Immigration, Refugees, and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) published new guidelines concerning off-campus work. Two important updates that we would like to highlight are the following:

1) The new guidelines confirm that students who have regularly scheduled breaks during the summer as per their program of study and who decide to study part-time or full-time during the summer are eligible to work off-campus on a fulltime basis during the summer as long as they meet the eligibility criteria for off-campus work.

2) The new guidelines confirm that students who complete one program of studies and then commence a new program within 150 days from the completion of their program, are eligible to work off-campus full-time until the start of their program.

For full details on all the changes to the offcampus work program for students, please see <u>IRCC's website</u>.

If you have any questions, please contact our office.

Thinking of working on or off-campus, doing an internship, or seeking post-graduation employment? Register for our:

Post Graduate Work Permit

webinar April 12th, 3:00pm - 4:00pm online



Find out everything you need to know, including:

- What conditions you must respect to maintain your eligibility to work
- Whether or not you need a work permit
- · How to apply for one if needed
- How to obtain a Social Insurance Number (SIN) to get paid

We'll be exploring the resources and information provided by IRCC and Service Canada.



Online Survey: Post-Graduation Open Work Permit Program

Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) is conducting a research survey on international students and open work permit holders. This information will be analyzed to identify any challenges temporary residents may be facing when trying to transition from temporary resident status to permanent resident status.

Your contribution to the survey will help to improve the transition process from temporary resident status to permanent resident status.

Submitting Canadian Taxes?

Attend one of McGill Scholarships and Student Aid Office's (SSAO's) "Frugal Scholar" tax clinics this month! Designed for students filing Quebec and Canada tax returns. Their tax expert will provide inside tips and advice on:

- Student tax breaks
- Optimizing returns
- Easy filing at no cost

The same workshop will be offered on these dates:

- Tuesday, April 3, 4:30-5:30pm • Bronfman, Room 423
- Thursday, April 5, 4:30-5:30pm
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- Thursday, April 12, 4:30-5:30pm
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For more information on how to prepare to file your taxes, please visit the "<u>Prepare your taxes</u>" page of the SSAO website.

Support Group for Racialized and Ethnic Minority Students

This group aims to provide a facilitated space for students to reflect upon their identities, experiences and specific challenges, and to connect and build community at McGill. The group is ongoing and students may register at any time. For more information, and

to register, click <u>here</u>.



Visa-exempt foreign nationals* who fly to or transit through Canada now need an Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA). (*except US citizens)

What is an eTA?

An eTA is a paperless document that is electronically linked to your passport and is valid for five years or until your passport expires, whichever comes first.

For more information, please visit the <u>eTA page of the ISS website</u>.





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