FAQs – Macdonald Campus

Q. I will be attending McGill's Macdonald Campus in the fall. How do I know if I'm eligible for student housing?

A. Residence is guaranteed for all newly admitted undergraduate students who are 22 years of age and under (as of September 1), and starting their first year of university studies, and admitted to the university by June 15. Students MUST confirm their room reservation and pay their residence deposit by the deadline in June to confirm their space in residence. Please see all the information regarding eligibility here.

Q. What kinds of residences are available at the Macdonald Campus?

A. a) Laird Hall is the traditional co-ed dormitory style residence. Fully furnished rooms are available with communal kitchens and lounges. b) Ecoresidence is a co-ed residence that offers a more independent lifestyle in two or six furnished bedroom apartments.

Q. What are the rent fees for residences on Macdonald Campus?

A. Housing fees vary depending on the residence. Consult the Macdonald campus fee table for full information.

Q. What happens if a student decides to withdraw from residence?

A. As per the room Agreement a resident that chooses to break their lease for personal reasons will have a penalty applied to their student account. The penalty does not apply if the student is withdrawing from the University.

Q. Is it recommended to get insurance before moving in to residence?

A. We encourage all residents to get personal and liability insurance. McGill does not cover students in the event of damage to personal belongings, theft or personal injury. Moreover the resident is responsible for damages caused to their room or residence due to their own negligence.

Q. Am I allowed smoking in my room?

A. No, it is not permitted to smoke in residences. The law states that it is forbidden to smoke less than 9 meters from all buildings on campus.
Q. Am I allowed to have pets in residences?

A. No, for health and safety reasons McGill does not allow pets in its residences.

Q. What are the quiet hours? A. 10:00 PM to 7:00 AM every day. During exams, this changes to 9:00 PM – 9:00 AM.

Q. Where can I get groceries?

A. There is a grocery shuttle bus service to Provigo in Baie D’urfé offered once a week. Metro Richelieu in Ste-Anne de Bellevue is located within walking distance of campus.

Q. Is a cable connection supplied in each bedroom?

A. No, there are no cable connections in the individual rooms. Common TV rooms with cable are located on every floor of Laird Hall only.

Q. How does the linen service work?

A. Every Tuesday morning you can choose to have your bed sheets changed for clean ones. The fees for this service are already covered in your lease. However, towels are not supplied; you will need to bring your own towels. This service only applies to Laird Hall.

Q. Is there a meal plan and/or cafeteria at Mac?

A. Although there is no meal plan specific to Macdonald Campus, students may purchase a Commuter Meal Plan that can be used on both campuses. The Link Café is located on Mac Campus and is open for Monday-Thursday: 8:00 am–6:00 pm / Friday: 8:00 am-2:30pm.

Q. What is provided in the shared kitchens?

A. Stoves, fridges, microwaves, and toasters are available in Laird Hall. Ecoresidence kitchens have a fridge and stove. Students in both residences are also allowed to have a small fridge (not exceeding 5 cubic feet) in their rooms. In both cases students must bring their own cooking gear.

Q. Is there parking for residents available on campus?

A. Yes, residents can purchase a parking decal from the Macdonald Campus security office to access the resident parking area.