**Course Registration & Academic Advising**

* [McGill’s e-calendar](http://www.mcgill.ca/study/2017-2018/) (course & program listings)
* [How to register for your courses](https://www.mcgill.ca/students/courses/add/register) using Minerva (course registration system)
* [Tutorial video](http://ics.mcgill.ca/media/videos/Minerva/registration_portal.htm) showing you how to register for courses
* List of Undergraduate [Faculty, School & Department Advisors](http://www.mcgill.ca/students/advising/advisordirectory)
* [Graduate Department listings](http://www.mcgill.ca/gradapplicants/programs)
* General information about [Supervisors & Academic Advising](https://www.mcgill.ca/students/advising/academic-advising)
* [Ask an Advisor](http://www.mcgill.ca/students/advising/resources-students/ask-advisor)

**Packing**

First Year Office [Packing List](http://www.mcgill.ca/firstyear/undergrad-students/beforeyouarrive/packing) (especially if living in residence)

[Winter Coat Project](https://www.mcgill.ca/morsl/morsl-programs-and-resources/winter-coat-project)

[Caution when packing food](http://www.cbsa-asfc.gc.ca/fpa-apa/regs-eng.html) - some items cannot be imported

**Arriving at the Airport**

* [Clearing Customs](https://www.mcgill.ca/internationalstudents/pre-arrival/arrival-clearing-customs/customsandimmigration)
* [Accueil Plus](http://www.accueilplus.ca/?lang=en) - student-staffed reception at the airport.
* [747 Bus](http://www.stm.info/en/info/networks/bus/shuttle/more-about-747-aeroport-p-e-trudeau-centre-ville-shuttle) - Bus service from airport to downtown Montreal.

**Arriving by Bus or Train**

* Buses will arrive at [Gare d’Autocars de Montreal](https://www.quebecoriginal.com/en-ca/listing/tourist-organizations-and-transportation/bus/bus-and-rail-stations/gare-dautocars-de-montreal-4499923)
* Trains (Amtrak/VIA) will arrive at [Gare Centrale](http://www.viarail.ca/en/explore-our-destinations/stations/quebec/montreal)
* See [our website](http://www.mcgill.ca/internationalstudents/pre-arrival/gettingtocampus) for more details

**Housing (On & Off Campus)**

* [Hotel Information](http://www.mcgill.ca/firstyear/montrealessentials/hotels) while searching for housing upon arrival
* [Off-Campus Housing](http://www.mcgill.ca/students/housing/offcampus) can assist with apartment listings, tenant’s rights, Montreal leases, etc.
* [Likehome.info](http://likehome.info/) – a student reference on housing in Montreal

**Planning on Living in Residence?**

* If arriving before [Move-In](http://www.mcgill.ca/students/housing/files/students.housing/your_new_home_2015-2016.pdf), or with guests, book alternate accommodations
* McGill [downtown graduate residences](https://www.mcgill.ca/students/housing/prospective/downtown-graduate)
* [Macdonald campus residences](http://www.mcgill.ca/students/housing/macdonald)
* For more information contact [Residences and Student Housing](http://www.mcgill.ca/students/housing/)

**Getting Around Montreal**

* STM Transportation System
  + [Buses](http://www.stm.info/en/info/networks/bus)
  + [Metro](http://www.stm.info/en/info/networks/metro)
* [OPUS Card](http://www.stm.info/en/info/fares/opus-cards-and-other-fare-media/opus-card)- a way to obtain discounts for students on rates/fares
* [Interactive Transit Map](http://www.stm.info/en)
* [Bixi Bike](https://bixi.com/) - self-serve bike rental

**Banking & Cell Phone Plans**

* + [Banking information](http://www.mcgill.ca/internationalstudents/arrival/banking-basics)
  + [Cellphone providers](http://www.mcgill.ca/internationalstudents/arrival/cell-phone-plans)
  + Finding [internet access/cable](http://www.mcgill.ca/internationalstudents/arrival/internet-accesscable)
  + Other [general services in Montreal](http://www.mcgill.ca/firstyear/montreal/services)

**Service Point/The Exchange Office**

* All [Student Administrative Services](http://www.mcgill.ca/students/servicepoint/) at McGill University
* Submission of [Legal Documents](http://www.mcgill.ca/legaldocuments/) at Service Point or electronically (CAQ, Study Permit)

**Paying Tuition**

* [Student Accounts](http://www.mcgill.ca/student-accounts/) - Payment of tuition, fees
* [Graduate Funding](http://www.mcgill.ca/studentaid/graduatefunding) information
* [Scholarships and Student Aid Office](http://www.mcgill.ca/studentaid/) (SSAO) for work-study, budgeting, financial emergencies, etc.
* Calculate your [costs](https://www.mcgill.ca/studentaid/finances/cost) (SSAO)
* Build your [budget](https://www.mcgill.ca/studentaid/finances/build-your-budgets) (SSAO)
* Tuition [payment deadlines](http://www.mcgill.ca/student-accounts/your-account/deadlines-and-penalties)

**International Student Services (ISS)**

[International Student Services website](http://www.mcgill.ca/internationalstudents/) includes:

* International Student [Pre-Arrival Guide](http://www.mcgill.ca/internationalstudents/predeparture)
* [ISS Contact Information](http://www.mcgill.ca/internationalstudents/contactus)
* [](https://www.facebook.com/mcgill.iss)[](https://twitter.com/ISSMcGill)[ISS Facebook page](https://www.facebook.com/mcgill.iss)
* [ISS Twitter Feed](https://twitter.com/ISSMcGill)

**Orientation & Getting Involved**

* [Campus Life and Engagement](http://www.mcgill.ca/firstyear/montrealessentials) - useful tips and resources on getting settled in Montreal
* [The International Buddy Program](http://www.mcgill.ca/internationalstudents/buddy)
* [McGill International Student Caucus](https://pgss.mcgill.ca/en/international-students-caucus)
* [McGill International Student Network- MISN](https://www.mcgill.ca/internationalstudents/resources/student-societies-clubs/misn)
* One of the many [student clubs at McGill](http://www.ssmu.mcgill.ca/clubs-services/about-clubs/clubs/)