



McGill

Empowering
students
to thrive

Make *your* mark

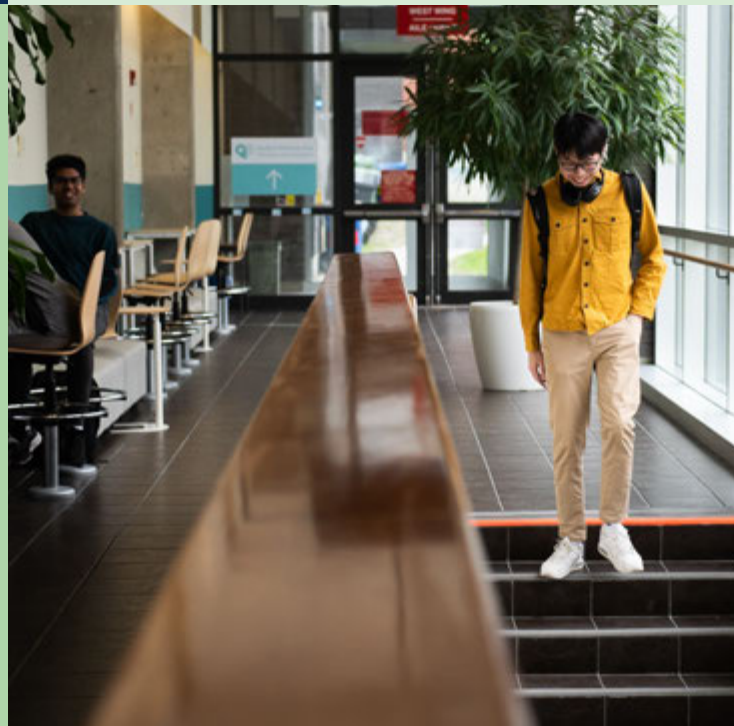
Our students face a myriad of intersecting challenges on their academic journey – before, during and after their university experience, and both on and off campus.

To help them face these challenges, we have laid out the following goals and commitments:

Ensure that no qualified student is denied a McGill education for financial reasons, while opening our campuses to a wide range of perspectives, ideas and student backgrounds.

Enable our students to thrive as creative and engaged citizens and leaders who can make a positive impact on the world.

Attract and support the finest young research minds through competitive funding for graduate and postdoctoral students.



Provide a campus environment and culture that optimizes our students' capacity to learn and flourish by supporting students' physical, mental and social health and wellness.

At McGill, we aspire to enable all students to flourish throughout their academic journey with the seamless support of our inclusive, integrated approach to service.

A holistic approach

Every person in every unit at McGill plays a role in supporting our students.

In addition to the programs and initiatives housed in our faculties, the [Office of the Deputy Provost \(Student Life and Learning\)](#) provides central support to all students, through programs that include:

- [Athletics and Recreation](#)
- [Enrolment Services](#)
- [Student Housing and Hospitality Services](#)
- [Student Services](#), which is home to:
 - Our flagship [Student Wellness Hub](#)
 - [Campus Life and Engagement](#)
 - [Career Planning Service](#)
 - [International Student Services](#)
 - [McGill Office of Religious and Spiritual Life](#)
 - [Scholarships & Student Aid](#)
 - [Student Accessibility and Achievement](#)
- [The Office of the Dean of Students](#), which supports students at the intersection of academics and wellbeing



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Opportunities for philanthropic support

- 1** A supportive campus environment
 - 1.1** Student mental health and well-being
 - 1.2** Promoting healthy dialogue and resilience
- 2** Future-ready students
- 3** Opportunities that open doors
- 4** Athletics and Recreation



A supportive campus environment

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Student mental health and well-being

The groundwork

At the centre of McGill's student wellness ecosystem is the [Student Wellness Hub](#), which opened in 2019 thanks to generous donor support. The Hub supports students' physical and mental health with services that focus on awareness, prevention and early intervention – a holistic model of care that is informed by mental health research.

The Hub complements research in our faculties, specifically at the Faculty of Science's [Centre for Clinical Psychology](#) and the Faculty of Education's [Psychoeducational & Counselling Clinic](#).





Your impact

Your philanthropy is critical to supporting the sustainability of the Wellness Hub, and will help us expand our capacity to meet the growing needs of our students for mental health and wellness supports.



With your gift, we will:

- **Maintain an expanded network of Local Wellness Advisors** and offer tailored support to underserved groups (e.g. Indigenous students)
- **Improve access** to services and reduce wait times
- **Organize workshops, support groups and other resources** to help students build resilience and community, and combat social isolation
- **Further embed student voices** into Hub programming with the help of Hub Peer Supporters
- **Maintain a welcoming multi-purpose space** for health promotion at the **Healthy Living Annex**
- **Improve awareness of the Hub and healthy living** through social media outreach initiatives
- **Maintain access to online platforms** like the GUARDMe Student Support Program, which offers easy access to mental health services
- **Provide specialized services** for groups like international students, who make up 40% of the Hub's users

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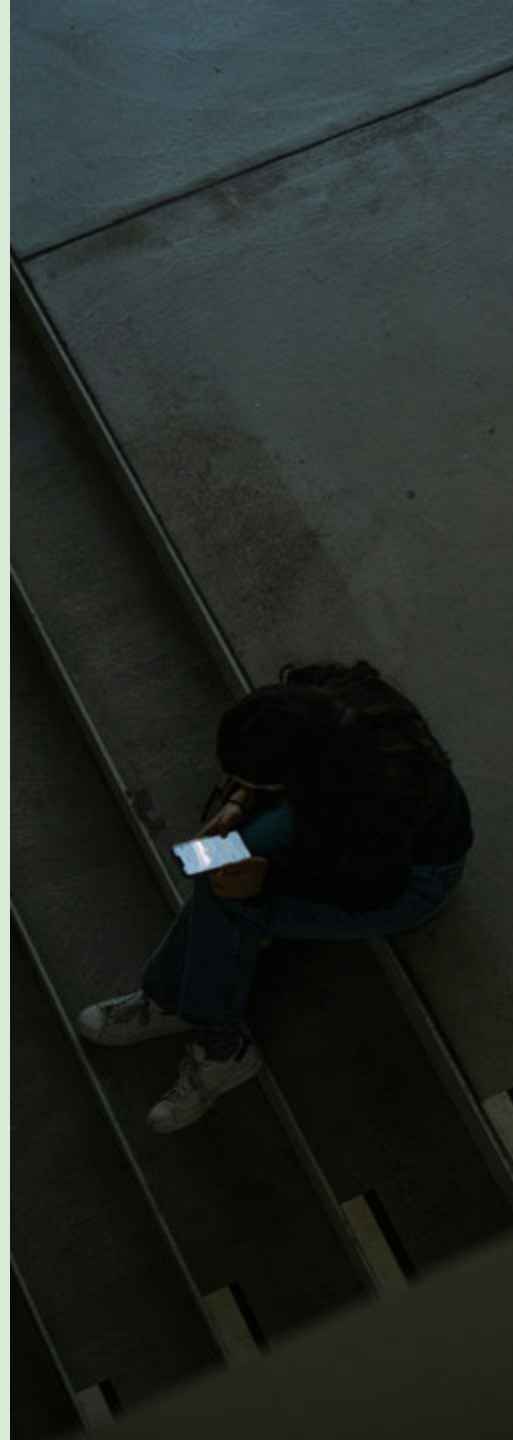
A supportive campus environment

Promoting healthy dialogue and building resilience

The groundwork

In a world marked by polarized discourse and online disinformation, our next generation of leaders will need the skills to build social cohesion and engagement across ideological and social divisions. Shaping leaders who can work with diverse stakeholders – while still celebrating and respecting difference – is critical.

McGill is working to support students' resilience, cooperation and capacity to engage in respectful dialogue through various initiatives, supports and shared spaces across our campuses, including those offered by [Campus Life & Engagement](#), and the Promoting Awareness through Community initiative.





Your impact

Your philanthropy can help us craft novel approaches to social cooperation. With your support, we can increase our capacity to develop curricular and co-curricular programming that fosters resilience, empathy and understanding, and promotes healthy dialogue and exchange.

Your support will fund programs that help students develop skills such as:

- Digital literacy
- Public speaking and debating
- Professional presentation
- Active listening
- Facilitation



Future-ready students

Support experiential learning initiatives for all students

The groundwork

Experiential learning opportunities help students put classroom theory into practice and prepare them for their lives and careers after graduation.

By building connections to the communities around them – both local and international – students gain the skills and experiences needed to thrive as engaged citizens and leaders, while making a positive impact on the world.





Your impact

Your support can help us ensure that every student – including those with disabilities and from other underserved communities – has the chance to participate in a meaningful global or community experience as part of their academic journey at McGill. Our priorities include:

- **Sustained funding for co-curricular programs** (such as career advising services and prioritizing the French language)
- **Experiential learning opportunities for all students**, especially for those in financial need, such as:
 - Field study opportunities, academic exchanges, internships, mentorships and research partnerships
 - Community-based independent ventures
 - Skill building around governance and democracy
 - Collaborative learning projects
 - Entrepreneurship and leadership opportunities

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Opportunities that open doors

Help us provide financial aid to present and future students

The groundwork

A McGill education is an extraordinary force for change.

As a result of the generous support of donors, McGill is the beneficiary of various endowments, bequests and trusts (some dating back to the 19th century), many of which provide awards to students in need.





Your impact

Your gift will create **new opportunities for talented students from all backgrounds** to study at McGill without financial barriers, enriching our community with diverse perspectives and shared discovery.

Your gift will support:

- **Engagement programs** for students from underserved communities (including pathway programs)
- Merit-based **scholarships** and need-based **bursaries**
- **Fellowships and leadership awards** for graduate and postdoctoral students
- **Other prizes and awards** that recognize community activity or athletic excellence



Athletics and Recreation

Support our storied athletics and recreation programs

The groundwork

McGill Athletics and Recreation supports the physical and mental health of not only our elite student-athletes, but of all students, thanks to programs and facilities at both our downtown and Macdonald campuses.



Your impact

Your philanthropy is critical to ensuring that our students have continued access to high-quality programs and facilities that contribute to their physical and mental health and wellness. This includes:

- **Holistic support for student-athletes**, especially women and underserved communities, for example in our groundbreaking [Women in Sport program](#)
- **Recreational programming for all students** that encourages regular physical activity as a powerful preventative measure to improve mental health and overall well-being, helping students reduce stress and build resilience beyond their time at McGill



The result

Partnering for impact



Your gift to McGill will enable all students to flourish as whole persons throughout their academic journey – both on and off campus and across all faculties – with the seamless support of our holistic, inclusive and integrated approach in Student Life and Learning.



With your philanthropic support, we can create:

Opportunities that open doors

Ensuring that no qualified student is denied a McGill education for financial reasons, while expanding the range of perspectives on campus.

Research that changes lives

Pushing the boundaries of knowledge and collaborating at the intersection of disciplines where solutions to global challenges will emerge.

Innovation that drives progress

Building a vibrant innovation ecosystem that brings creative ideas from the classroom or the lab to the marketplace and the community.

Education that shapes future-ready students

Training students to thrive as engaged citizens and leaders, while making a positive impact on the world around us.

McGill University is on land which has long served as a site of meeting and exchange amongst Indigenous peoples, including the Haudenosaunee and Anishinabeg nations.

We acknowledge and thank the diverse Indigenous peoples whose presence marks this territory on which peoples of the world now gather.

Make *your mark* today.



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