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## 1 The Faculty

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### 1.1 Location

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## 2.2 The National Programme since 1968 and the Faculty's New Curriculum

For over 150 years the Faculty has endeavoured to provide a liberal education in law and jurisprudence suitable as a first training for the practice of law. Since 1968, the Faculty has offered a national professional training which qualifies students to proceed to the legal professions not only in Quebec, but also in all other Canadian jurisdictions. The curriculum, while remaining within the Faculty's control, reflects the expectations of the professional corporations. It is constantly under review in order to respond to the present and future needs of legal professionals in Canada, as well as the requirements of those intending to pursue careers in the public and private sectors in which legal training is an asset rather than a formal qualification.

At McGill the study of law is more than a professional training. It has long been acknowledged in the great universities of Europe and North America that the scientific, liberal and independent study of law must have a place as an academic discipline. This means that the university is recognized as an appropriate forum to examine the law as an element of social organization, from critical, historical and comparative perspectives. Scholarship in the law is, in this sense, as essential an element in the life of the Faculty as its role in the training of professionals. Indeed, the two functions are inseparable.

McGill occupies a unique position among Canadian law faculties to pursue its dual mission of educating future professionals and promoting scholarship. The Faculty, quite naturally in the light of its location, has a long tradition of teaching and scholarship in both the English and the French languages. The staff and students have always been drawn from these two linguistic groups. While English has been the primary language of the Faculty, the use of French in the classroom and as a language in daily life is firmly entrenched. Wilfrid Laurier's valedictory address of 1864 was delivered in his mother tongue.

McGill has also long been a meeting ground for Canada's legal traditions, the civil law deriving from the law of France and more remotely from Roman Law, and the English common law. The Faculty's early curriculum vividly demonstrated the richness of the Quebec and indeed the Canadian legal heritage when it laid down for study in the 1850s and 1860s, *the Institutes of Justinian*, the dominant law of pre-Napoleonic France in the form of the *Coutume de Paris* and that monument of late eighteenth century English law, *the Commentaries of William Blackstone*.

The Faculty believes that its programme, within which students earn both a B.C.L. and an LL.B. degree, creates an important link between the civil and common law systems as they obtain in Canada. Graduates acquire a number of important advantages. First, the programme enables all students to examine, critically, the foundations of both Canadian legal systems. This study contributes significantly to the advancement of legal theory and jurisprudence. Second, graduates may proceed to the Bars of all the Canadian provinces as well as those of a number of jurisdictions in the United States and elsewhere. Third, the inter-dependence of the modern world means that many legal problems transcend individual legal systems. A knowledg

training in several different Canadian provinces. It also boasts professors from the United States, Austria, the Czech Republic, Australia and New Zealand. All contribute to the unique scholarly environment of McGill. Similarly, the over 500 undergraduate students are drawn from all 10 Canadian provinces, several states in the United States and a variety of other countries. What is more, graduates of McGill today pursue their careers around the world.

In recognition of this international dimension of its staff and students, McGill offers two undergraduate degrees pursued simultaneously in a joint programme: the B.C.L. (Bachelor of Civil Law) enabling students to seek admission to one of the legal professions in Quebec or to gain a familiarity with the private law systems of continental Europe, and the LL.B. (Bachelor of Laws) enabling students to seek admission to the legal profession in other Canadian provinces, in the United States, the United Kingdom, Australia and New Zealand.

Studying Canadian law under McGill's programme is a unique academic experience. It requires mastery of the private and public law systems of Canada's several jurisdictions, as well as the ability to situate analytical understanding of legal rules in a broader intellectual and social context. The Faculty thus believes that disciplines such as history, social theory, economics, political science and philosophy offer perspectives which inform the study of law.

McGill's courses reflect these broader themes in the history and philosophy of law. All students enrol in the first-year course Foundations for an initial exposure to these themes. Later, students may elect from a number of perspectives courses, in which law is studied in its social setting. For this reason, the requirement that all students in the Faculty take a significant number of credits offered within each of the two private law disciplines of the Faculty – the civil law and the common law – is thought to be fundamental to the nature of legal education pursued at McGill.

McGill insists upon the highest standards of learning and scholarship. Many professors have contributed to a comprehensive treatise on Quebec private law; others have produced leading reference works in Corporation Law, Commercial Law, International Law, Maritime Law, Air and Space Law and Constitutional Law. Over the last five years, McGill has placed a considerable number of students as law clerks at the Supreme Court of Canada. Moreover, the Faculty counts today a significant number of professors who have served in the past as law clerks at the Supreme Court.

Excellence at McGill is reflected also in a commitment to offering students the opportunity to pursue elements of their legal education in both the English and French languages. The graduation of students expert in both the Civil Law and the Common Law and thoroughly immersed in the historical and philosophical foundations of law and legal ordering shared in the western legal tradition are ideals embraced by all in the Faculty. For a discussion of McGill's role in contemporary Canadian legal education see J.E.C. Brierley, "Quebec Legal Education Since 1945. Cultural Paradoxes and Traditional Ambiguities" (1986), 10 *Dal. L.J.* 5.

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### 3 Faculty Governance and Academic Regulations

#### 3.1 Faculty Council

As the delegate of the Senate of McGill University, the Faculty Council is the principal academic policy-making body within the Faculty of Law. It has either direct or advisory authority over all matters relating to undergraduate admissions, curriculum, examinations, graduate studies, library and staff appointments. The Faculty Council operates through a committee system and meets on average once per month during teaching terms.

Faculty Council is composed of all members of the full-time

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| May 1, Mon.                        | EXCH     | LAW | Deadline for incoming undergraduate exchange applications from bilateral partners to the Faculty of Law with a Fall term (September) start or Winter term (January) start.   |
| May 2, Tues.                       | REG      | LAW | Registration (credits restricted) begins for returning U4 students in Faculty of Law.  |
| May 4, Thurs.                      | REG      | LAW | Registration (credits restricted) begins for returning U3 students in Faculty of Law.  |
| May 9, Tues.                       | REG      | LAW | Registration (credits restricted) begins for returning U2 students in Faculty of Law.  |
| May 11, Thurs.                     | REG      | LAW | Registration with credit limit raised for all returning students in Faculty of Law.  |
| May 15, Mon.                       | W        |     | Deadline for Web withdrawing (grade of "W") from multi-term courses (D1/D2, N1/N2) that started in Winter 2006 for students in Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Arts, Continuing Education, Education, Engineering including Architecture, Graduate Studies, Law, Management, Music, Physical and Occupational Therapy, Religious Studies, Social Work, and Science (no withdrawals from Education Intensive courses). |
| May 22, Mon.                       | HOLIDAY  |     | <b>VICTORIA DAY.</b> (Classes cancelled). Administrative offices closed.   |
| May 29, Mon.                       | DEF/SUPP | LAW | Law application deadline for deferred and supplemental examinations (Fall term, Winter term and full year courses).  |
| May 31, Wed.                       | CONV     |     | 10:00 Science "A"<br>14:00 Science "B"<br>18:00 Law  |
|                                    | NOTE     |     | For additional information regarding Convocation, please consult <a href="http://www.mcgill.ca/convocations">www.mcgill.ca/convocations</a> .  |
| <b>June 2006</b>                   |          |     |  |
| June 15, Thurs. to Aug. 17, Thurs. | IDCARD   |     | Students from Quebec CEGEPs can avoid line-ups and get their ID cards early at the ARR Service Centre. Office hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays. As of Monday, June 19 the office has a summer schedule: closed on Fridays and on Thursday, June 22 and Thursday, June 29. As of Monday, August 21, you can still get your card with everyone else – but you may have to wait longer in line.                                |
| June 22, Thurs.                    | NOTE     |     | On Thursday, June 22 and Thursday, June 29 and all Fridays starting June 23 until August 18 (inclusive) most administrative offices will be closed. Students are urged to inquire in advance to ensure the office they wish to contact is open.  |
| June 23, Fri.                      | HOLIDAY  |     | Classes cancelled. Administrative offices closed (for La Fête Nationale du Québec).  |
| June 24, Sat.                      | HOLIDAY  |     | <b>LA FÊTE NATIONALE DU QUÉBEC.</b> cr[6.9(c, Physical )]TJ-16.7111 -1.1111 TD-0.0033 Tw[  |

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| Aug. 28, Mon. to<br>Sept. 22, Fri. | ORIENT     | ALL | First-Year Resource Room opens daily (9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.) Brown Student Services Building, Room 2007, 3600 McTavish Street (closed weekends and Labour Day). |
| Aug. 30, Wed.                      | ORIENT     | NEW | <b>"Discover McGill"</b> - University and Faculty orientation for all new undergraduate students. Refer to "Welcome to McGill" book for details.                 |
| Aug. 31, Thurs.                    | <b>REG</b> | ALL | Deadline for cancellation of registration for the Fall term except Continuing Education. (Deposit is non-refundable for new students.)                           |
| <b>September 2006</b>              |            |     |  |
| Sept. 1, Fri.                      | ORIENT     | LAW | Faculty Orientation and in-faculty confirmation of registration for 1 <sup>st</sup> year, special and visiting students in Law, Chancellor Day Hall.             |
| Sept. 4, Mon.                      | HOLIDAY    |     | <b>LABOUR DAY.</b> (Classes cancelled). Administrative offices closed.   |
| Sept. 5, Tues.                     | <b>REG</b> | ALL | Deadline for new students to register without a late registration fee for all 2006-2007 Fall term registration. (Closed for 438-251-1926 (T) 550-3446 (F) 7)     |



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| Feb. 18, Sun.                     | <b>W</b>     | Deadline for Web withdrawing ( <b>with no refund</b> ) (grade of "W") from Winter and Winter term Cont. Ed courses for Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, Arts, Continuing Education, Education, Engineering including Architecture, Graduate Studies, Law, Management, Music, Nursing, Physical and Occupational Therapy, Religious Studies Social Work, and Science (no withdrawals from ensembles or practical lessons in Music). |
| Feb. 18, Sun. to<br>Feb. 24, Sat. | <b>BREAK</b> | <b>STUDY BREAK</b> (Classes cancelled for all faculties except Dentistry, Medicine, Continuing Education non-credit courses and English & French credit courses, Stage in Dietetics Level 3). Study break for 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> days   |

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## 5 Admission to Undergraduate Programmes

In September 1999, the Faculty of Law implemented a number of exciting and significant changes to its programmes and curriculum. The reforms affected the structure and content of all undergraduate law programmes, including the joint programmes (M.B.A./Law and Law/M.S.W.).

All correspondence and inquiries should be directed to:

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E-mail: [undergradadmissions.law@mcgill.ca](mailto:undergradadmissions.law@mcgill.ca)  
Website: [www.law.mcgill.ca](http://www.law.mcgill.ca)

All supporting document should be sent by mail to:

McGill University  
ARR Documentation Center (Law)  
688 Sherbrooke Street West  
Montreal, Quebec H3A 3R1

Supporting documents delivered in person or by courier should be dropped off at the Faculty of Law, Undergraduate Admissions Office.

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### 5.1 Admissions Policy and Process

#### 5.1.1 Admissions Policy

Law at McGill is a limited enrolment programme and admission is very competitive. Recent experience shows that the number of applications is approximately nine times greater than the number of available places. Each year the Faculty admits approximately 170 new students. Successful applicants are chosen by the Faculty's Admissions Committee, based on academic records, linguistic abilities, personal statements, extra-curricular and community activities, as well as letters of reference.

The objective of the Faculty's admissions policy is to select those applicants best suited to studying law in McGill's uniquely comparative and bilingual environment. The Admissions Committee appraises the intellectual capacity of applicants, their curiosity about law, and attends to criteria such as social commitment, political insight, leadership skills, ability

Faculty of Law and the Faculty of Management. Admission to the Faculty of Law is made on the same criteria as if the applicant were applying only into the Law programme. Admission to the Faculty of Management depends, among other things, on the student's performance on the GMAT. For further information about the M.B.A. programme, please contact the Faculty of Management. Please note that students must have completed an undergraduate degree **and** have one year of employment experience following graduation from their undergraduate degree in order to be admissible to the M.B.A. programme. Candidates applying into the joint M.B.A./Law programme should indicate in their personal statement their reasons for doing so.

Students in the joint M.B.A./Law programme will do their first year in the M.B.A. programme: the following year, their first year of Law. The programme requires the completion of a total of 141

Associate Dean (Academic), if made subsequently, that full-time study is impracticable for any of the following reasons.

- i) pregnancy;
- ii) health problems, physical disabilities;
- iii) responsibility for the primary care of others;
- iv) financial hardship;
- v) other special circumstances.

Applicants seeking admission to study on a part-time basis must submit a separate letter giving the reasons why they wish to study part-time. Applications for part-time study are evaluated on the same basis as those for full-time study.

Students granted permission to register on a part-time basis must register for a minimum of nine credits per term, and complete all the requirements of the B.C.L./LL.B. programme within six academic years.

**5.5.1 Application Fee**

A non-refundable application fee of \$60 for CEGEP applicants\* and \$80 for all other applicants is required to complete an application to the B.C.L./LL.B. programme. A credit card (Visa or Master-



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## **5.6 Application Deadlines**

Admissions to the Faculty of Law are made on a rolling basis. The on-line application is available as of the beginning of September and the Admissions Committee starts reviewing completed applications from university and mature applicants as soon as possible after November 1st. Applicants in these categories are strongly encouraged to apply by November 1st, or as soon thereafter as





credits. Students who successfully complete the programme will receive, usually after four and a one-half years, a B.C.L., an LL.B. and an M.B.A.

Students should note that course requirements for the M.B.A./Law Programme are currently under review.

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## 6.6 Law/M.S.W. Programme

McGill's Faculty of Law and School of Social Work offer a joint programme enabling students to obtain both civil law and common law degrees, and a Master's in Social Work.

Applicants to the joint Law/M.S.W. programme must make separate concurrent applications to the School of Social Work and the Faculty of Law. Acceptance into the joint programme is dependent on the applicant being admitted to both the School of Social Work for M.S.W. and the Faculty of Law for the B.C.L./LL.B. Admission to the Faculty of Law is made on the same criteria as though the applicant were applying only to the Law programme.

Please note that candidates must hold a Bachelor's degree in Social Work in order to be eligible for admission to the M.S.W. programme. Candidates applying to the joint Law/M.S.W. programme should indicate in their personal statement their reasons for doing so.

The joint Law/M.S.W. programme requires the completion of a total of 132 credits. Students who successfully complete the programme will receive, usually after four years, a B.C.L., an LL.B. and an M.S.W.

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## 6.7 Course Sequences by Year

These regulations set out for each year in the Faculty, the courses which are streamed for that year. All other courses, i.e., courses not indicated by year, may be freely taken in any year after the first, subject to further restrictions and prerequisites which may be imposed from time to time. These rules may be set aside in the case of students authorized to study on a part-time basis, students pursuing approved joint degrees with other Faculties within the University, advanced standing and transfer students.

1. The following courses may be taken **only** in the first year

limitations on enrolment, instructors and mode of evaluation is provided at the close of each academic year upon Early Course Registration for the next academic session. Course registration materials may be found on the Faculty's Web site:

[www.law.mcgill.ca/register](http://www.law.mcgill.ca/register).

Refer to [section 8.5 "Courses"](#) for descriptions of the 500-level courses available to undergraduate students. Students may also, with the permission of the Director of the Institute and of the Assistant Dean (Internal Affairs), enrol in certain courses offered by the The Institute of Air and Space Law in [section 8.1, "Programs Offered"](#).

### Students preparing to register

Students should note that the course sequences are currently under review.

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## 7 Undergraduate Courses of Instruction

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### 7.1 Regular Courses

The Senate of McGill University has authorized the Faculty of Law to offer the following courses. Not all courses will be offered in 2006-07. More detailed information on course availability, course content, prerequisites, course sections, French language sections,

unless both LAWG 101D1 and LAWG 101D2 are successfully completed in consecutive terms) Basic concepts of extra-contractual obligations in the Civil and Common Law. Fault; causation; reasons for exoneration; apportionment of liability; forms of injury for which recovery can be obtained; limitations on damages; factual and legal presumptions; responsibility for the acts of others and for damage caused by property.

**LAWG 200 SALE.** (4) The contract of sale in the civil law and common law traditions. Nature and scope of the contract of sale; conditions of formation; obligations of the vendor/seller, including delivery, quality, title; obligations of the buyer, transfer of title; manufacturer's liability.

**LAWG 273 FAMILY LAW.** (3) Study of conjugality and other close personal relationships as understood by law; parent-child relationships; dissolution of conjugal relationships; support rights at the end of close personal relationships.

**LAWG 300 FAMILY PROPERTY LAW.** (3) (Prerequisites: PRV1 144

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traditions. The course explores issues of legal history and institutions, relationship between privat





WRIT 331D1 and WRIT 331D2 are successfully completed in consecutive terms) Under supervision of the Executive, this editor will manage production of the revision of the Canadian Guide to Uniform Legal Citation. Offered only in revision years.

**WRIT 332D1 (1), WRIT 332D2 (1) MLJ - JUNIOR MANAGEMENT BOARD.** (Restriction: Students must be accepted by the McGill Law Journal before registering for course. Students must have completed a minimum of two terms in the Faculty, and must obtain the permission of the Dean or Dean's delegate. Note that the number of positions is limited.) (Students must register for both WRIT 332D1 and WRIT 332D2.) (No credit will be given for this course unless both WRIT 332D1 and WRIT 332D2 are success-



competency in oral and written English. **Before acceptance**, appropriate exam results must be submitted directly from the TOEFL or IELTS Office. An institutional version of the TOEFL is not acceptable.

Generally, applicants must achieve a minimum TOEFL score of 600 (250 on the computer-based test or 100 on the Internet-based test with each component score not less than 20) or 7.5 in the IELTS. There are, however, some exceptions:- in the IASL: applicants must achieve a minimum TOEFL score of 577 (233 on the computer-based test or 90 on the Internet-based test with each component score not less than 20) or 7.0 overall band in the IELTS.

In all programs, non-Canadian applicants whose mother tongue is French must achieve a minimum TOEFL score of 567 (227 computer-based or 86 on the Internet-based test, with each component score not less than 20) or an IELTS score of 7 overall band. This is because at McGill, students can write essays, examinations and theses in French, even where the course is taught in English. All students should be aware that the majority of courses in Graduate Programs in Law are taught in English.

For information about the TOEFL, and to register to take the test, see [www.toefl.org](http://www.toefl.org). For information about the IELTS, see [www.ielts.org](http://www.ielts.org). There may be a lengthy delay for registration, and the communication of results takes approximately 40 days. For both tests, the official results should be sent directly from the testing institution to Graduate Programs in Law. For the TOEFL, McGill's institutional code is **0935** and Law's departmental code is **03**. These codes must be provided to ETS when requesting a test report form. For the IELTS, applicants must ask for an official report to be sent to Graduate Programs in Law at the above address. For either test, the test must be taken sufficiently early for results to reach McGill no later than March 1 of the year of admission. Application files not completed by that date will not be considered.

French: The ability to speak or read French is an asset but not a necessity. In areas such as the study of private law in the civilian tradition or comparative private law, a reading knowledge of French is essential. Applicants should indicate their knowledge of French on the admissions questionnaire; they will be notified if French is essential to the area of study.

### **Graduate Certificate Programs**

The requirements for admission to the Graduate Certificate programs are essentially the same as for the Master's programs, except that greater weight may be placed on professional experience.

Candidates desiring a Graduate Certificate in Air and Space Law who do not hold a law degree may be admitted if they have earned an undergraduate university degree in another discipline and possess sufficient professional experience to compensate for the lack of a law degree (as determined by the Graduate Admissions Committee).

### **Master's Degrees**

Candidates for admission to the LL.M. program must hold a Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.) degree, or its equivalent, with at least Upper Second Class honours or the equivalent of 3.0/4.0 cumulative grade point average. This standing does not guarantee admission, however. The Graduate Admissions Committee weighs the entire file, including the applicant's references and the quality of the research proposal.

Furthermore, in the case of thesis programs, the Committee must consider the availability of a supervisor. If a supervisor is not available in the applicant's preferred field of study, the applicant may be refused admission or else offered admission pending a change of field of study.

### **LL.M. Specialization in Bioethics:**

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**The Master of Laws (LL.M.); Law - Non-Thesis** is a 45-credit program that combines a significant body of course work with a substantial supervised research project.

- CMPL 610 (4) Legal Research Methodology
- CMPL 641 (4) Theoretical Approaches to Law
- CMPL 655 (15) Research Project 1

If approved by the Associate Dean (Graduate Studies), students may reduce their elective course work by up to 3 credits by completing one or both of:

- CMPL 656 (2) Research Project 2
- CMPL 657 (1) Research Project 3

The remaining 22 credits (or fewer if more credits are earned for the research project) are elective, with courses to be chosen from among Faculty offerings at the 500 and 600 level.

**The Master of Laws (LL.M.); Law; Comparative Law – Thesis** is a 45-credit program that requires some foundational course work, but its core is a substantial thesis (up to 100 pages) to be credited at 30 credits (or more in exceptional cases):

- CMPL 600 (4) Legal Traditions
- CMPL 610 (4) Legal Research Methodology
- CMPL 641 (4) Theoretical Approaches to Law
- CMPL 612 (3) Master's Thesis 1
- CMPL 613 (3) Master's Thesis 2
- CMPL 614 (3) Master's Thesis 3
- CMPL 615 (6) Master's Thesis 4
- CMPL 616 (12) Master's Thesis 5
- CMPL 617 (3) Master's Thesis 6

If approved by the Associate Dean (Graduate Studies), students may reduce their elective course work by up to 3 credits by completing one or both of:

- CMPL 618 (2) Master's Thesis 7
- CMPL 619 (1) Master's Thesis 8

The remaining 3 credits (or fewer if more credits are earned for the Master's Thesis) are elective, with courses to be chosen from among Faculty offerings at the 500 and 600 level.

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If approved by the Associate Dean (Graduate Studies), students may reduce their elective course work by up to 3 credits by completing one or both of:

- CMPL 656 (2) Research Project 2
- CMPL 657 (1) Research Project 3

The remaining 18 credits (or fewer if more credits are earned for the research project) are elective, with courses to be chosen from among Faculty offerings at the 500 and 600 level.

#### **COURSE SELECTION**

It should be noted that not all courses are offered in each year. Students wishing to pursue research topics outside of these particular fields are welcome to do so, subject to the availability of appropriate thesis supervisors.

The graduate-level Law courses are grouped into four inter-related concentrations.

**Note:** the lists of courses below are included as a guide only. Courses not listed may also be acceptable. Students should consult their supervisor.

#### **Legal Traditions and Legal Theory**

This concentration combines two areas of strength: the coexistence of diverse legal traditions, particularly (but not exclusively) the civil and common law, and the awareness of the importance of theoretical approaches to law as a means of understanding both

the internal dynamic of legal phenomena and their relationship to other social phenomena.

Courses offered within this concentration may include:

- Aboriginal Peoples and the Law
- Advanced Criminal Law
- Advanced Jurisprudence
- Canadian Legal History
- Canon Law
- Civil Law Perspectives
- Common Law Perspectives
- Comparative Modern Legal History
- Feminist Legal Theory
- Human Rights and Cultural Diversity
- Islamic Law
- Jurisprudence
- Legal Education Seminar
- Legal Theory
- Legal Traditions
- Linguistic and Literary Approaches to the Law
- Research Seminars
- Restitution
- Roman Law
- Sentencing in Canadian Law
- Social and Ethical Issues in Jewish Law
- Social Diversity and the Law
- Talmudic Law
- Theoretical Approaches to the Law

#### **International Business Law**

The ICL pioneered the first graduate concentration in international business law in Canada. This field has practical significance in international business relations and also provides opportunities to apply experience derived from multiple legal systems to the development of multi-jurisdictional, "international" commercial rules.

**Courses offered within this concentration may include:**

- Airline Business & Law
- Comparative Air Law
- Comparative Legal Institutions
- Copyright and Trademark Theory
- Corporate Finance
- European Community Law 1
- European Community Law 2
- Government Control of Business
- Government Regulation of Space Activities
- Intellectual and Industrial Property
- International Business Law
- International Carriage of Goods by Sea
- International Development Law
- International Environmental Law
- International and Domestic Documentary Sales
- International Maritime Conventions
- International Securities Markets
- International Taxation
- Law and Practice of International Trade
- Law of Space Applications
- Patent Theory and Policy
- Private International Air Law
- Public International Air Law
- Research Seminars
- Resolution of International Disputes
- Securities Regulation

#### **Human Rights and Cultural Diversity**

Building on the Faculty's strength in public law, this concentration promotes the comparative study of human rights law. It provides students with opportunities to reflect critically on the emergence and institutionalization of human rights norms in both domestic and international settings and to explore complexities arising from cultural diversity.

Courses offered within this concentration may include:

- Aboriginal Peoples and the Law
- Advanced Criminal Law
- Children and the Law
- Comparative Constitutional Protection of Human Rights
- Current Problems of the International Legal Order
- Discrimination and the Law
- Human Rights & Cultural Diversity
- International Criminal Law
- International Humanitarian Law
- International Law of Human Rights
- Law & Psychiatry
- Research Seminars
- Social Diversity and Law

**Regulation, Technology and Society**

This concentration focuses on the comparative and inter-disciplinary study of legal regulation in areas of rapid technological change. It encourages critical reflection on notions of the public interest and its protection in areas as diverse as the bio-medical sciences, the environment, the growth of computer networks, and the commercial exploitation of space.

Courses offered within this concentration may include:

- Communications Law
- Comparative Medical Law
- Computers and the Law
- Environment and the Law
- Government Control of Business
- Intellectual and Industrial Property
- International Environmental Law
- Land Use Planning
- Law & Healthcare
- Law & Psychiatry
- Medical Liability
- Policies, Politics and the Legislative Process
- Regulation, Technology & Society
- Research Seminars
- Trade Regulation

**LL.M. in Law - Bioethics option:**







**LAWG 515 SPECIALIZED TOPICS IN LAW 5. (2)** (Restriction: Must have completed first year Law.) An intensive study of a particular topic in public or private law.

**LAWG 516 SPECIALIZED TOPICS IN LAW 6. (2)** (Restriction: Must have completed first year Law.) An intensive study of a particular topic in public or private law.

**LAWG 517 SPECIALIZED TOPICS IN LAW 7. (3)** (Restriction: Must have completed first year Law.) An intensive study of a particular topic in public or private law.

**LAWG 518 SPECIALIZED TOPICS IN L 34**

**CMPL 641 THEORETICAL APPROACHES TO LAW.** (4) Introduction to a variety of theoretical approaches to legal scholarship.

**CMPL 642 LAW AND HEALTH CARE.** (3) (Limited enrolment.) The study of legal and ethical issues raised in medicine and healthcare with a particular focus upon the relationship between patient and healthcare professionals.

**CMPL 655 RESEARCH PROJECT 1.** (15) (Restriction: This course is only open to students registered in a non-thesis Master's program)

Students who have any doubt as to what might be considered plagiarism in preparing an essay or term paper should consult the instructor of the course to obtain appropriate guidelines. There is a student guide to the meaning of plagiarism; students should consult the academic integrity Website at [www.mcgill.ca/integrity](http://www.mcgill.ca/integrity)



#### **10.2.4 What Are the Consequences of Not Providing Your Documents?**

All proofs of citizenship, requests for Quebec residency, international fee exemption, and immigration status changes must be received by the end of the last day of classes of a current term to



**IMPORTANT CONDITIONS FOR MULTI-TERM COURSES**

1. **Students must be registered for each component of the multi-term course. Students must ensure that they are registered in the same section in each term of the multi-term course.**
2. **Students must successfully complete each component in sequence as set out in the multi-term course. Credit is granted only at the end of the multi-term course; no credit is given for partial completion.**

**11.4.3 Course Terminology**

**Prerequisite:** Course A is prerequisite to course B if a satisfactory pass in course A is required for admission to course B.

**Corequisite:** Course A is corequisite to course B if course A must be taken concurrently with (or may have been taken prior to) course B.

**Credits:** The credit weight of each course is indicated in parentheses beside the course title. For D1 and D2 courses the credit weight is indicated after the course number. For further information refer to [section 13.2 "Credit System"](#).

**COURSE NOMENCLATURE IN PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS:**

**Required Courses:** Courses that must be completed to fulfill the requirements of a major, minor, etc., unless the student receives exemptions. Students have no choices among required courses.

**Complementary Courses:** A set of alternative courses that can be taken to fulfill the requirements of a major, minor, etc. Students choose a specified number of courses from the set.

**Elective Courses:** Courses that do not count toward the fulfillment of the requirements of a major, minor, etc. They are often, but need not be, selected from outside a student's program of study. Some restrictions may apply, but students have the most choice in selecting elective courses. Some faculties also permit students to take elective courses using the satisfactory/unsatisfactory option. This is not an option for Law courses.

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**11.5 Quebec Inter-University Transfer Agreement (IUT)**

The IUT Agreement permits concurrent registration at McGill and another Quebec institution.

**11.5.1 McGill Students**

Regular undergraduate and graduate degree, diploma or certificate candidates registered at McGill may, with the written permission of the Dean of their faculty or delegate, register at any university in the province of Quebec for three (3), or exceptionally six (6), **credits** per term in addition to their registration at McGill. These courses, subject to faculty regulations, will be recognized by McGill for the purpose of the degree for which the student is registered up to the limit imposed by the residency requirements of the program. (Normally, a minimum residency requirement of 60 credits must be completed at McGill in order to qualify for a McGill degree — students should check with their faculty.) This privilege will be granted if there are valid academic reasons.

Students wishing to take advantage of this agreement should consult their Student Affairs Office for details, and are informed that this agreement is subject to the following conditions:

- The other universities concerned may, at their discretion, refuse the registration of a student for any of their courses.
- Students must complete their faculty and program requirement.
- The student is responsible for ensuring that the McGill Class Schedule permits these courses to be taken without conflict.
- The universities concerned are not responsible for special arrangements in cases of examination or class schedule conflicts.
- Marks earned at the host university will not appear on McGill transcripts or be included in McGill grade point averages.

- Students who are attending McGill as exchange students from outside Quebec are not eligible to take courses at another Quebec institution through the IUT agreement.
- Students should be aware that late results received from host universities may delay their graduation.

Scholarship holders should consult with their Student Affairs Office and the Scholarships Coordinator concerning eligibility for their faculty de4w9.09pTJ-1

After the withdrawal (without refund) deadline, but before the end of term, the student may, under exceptional circumstances, be granted permission to withdraw from a course. (Permission will not be granted merely because a student is doing unsatisfactory



the international rate, depending on the documentation submitted.

If proof of status is submitted after a student has been billed, but before the document submission deadline, the tuition supplement will be waived. Any late payment and/or interest charges accumulated during the documentation evaluation period **will not** be waived.

**Non-Quebec Students (Canadian or Permanent Resident)**

The 2006-07 tuition fees for non-Quebec students who are Canadian citizens or Permanent Residents are expected to be \$163.79 per credit or \$4,913.70 for 30 credits. The Ministère de l'Éducation du Québec will formally notify the University during the Spring of any changes.

In accordance with provincial government requirements, students must provide proof that they qualify for assessment of fees at the non-Quebec Canadian rate; see section 10.2 "Legal Documents" for details.

**Note:** Students who do not submit appropriate documentation by the stipulated deadline will be billed at the international rate.

If proof of status is submitted after a student has been billed, but before the document submission deadline, the tuition supplement will be waived. Any late payment and/or interest charges accumulated during the documentation evaluation period **will not** be waived.

**International Students**

The 2006-07 tuition fees for international students in the Faculty of Law undergraduate programme are \$431.00 per credit (\$12,930.00 for 30 credits).

Exemption from International Tuition Fees may be claimed by students in certain categories. Such students, if eligible, are then assessed at the Quebec student rate.

A list of these categories and the required application forms can be obtained from the Admissions, Recruitment and Registrar's Office. Information is also available on the Web at [www.mcgill.ca/students](http://www.mcgill.ca/students).

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**12.4 Compulsory Fees**

**12.4.1 Student Services Fees**

The Student Services fee is over

\* Students may be exempted from this fee only with the written authorization of the Associate Dean.

Students could expect the minimum cost for books and case books to be \$500.

Students will receive, free of charge, brief outlines of courses where such are available. Casebooks, statutes, etc. will be sold through the Law Bookstore.

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## 12.6 Billings and Due Dates

### 12.6.1 Confirmation of Acceptance Deposit

Students admitted to the University will be required to confirm their acceptance of the offer of admission on [www.mcgill.ca/minerva-students/applicants](http://www.mcgill.ca/minerva-students/applicants) and pay the required deposit by credit card (Visa or Mastercard) at that time.

### 12.6.2 Invoicing of Fees

Electronic billing is the official means of delivering fee statements to all McGill University students. The University has replaced printed paper fee statements with a convenient electronic billing system for students to view their account statement on Minerva. All charges to the student's account, including tuition, fees, health insurance and other miscellaneous charges are on your e-bill. E-bills are generally produced in the first few days of the month and an e-mail notification that the e-bill is ready to be viewed on Minerva is sent to the student's official McGill e-mail address. Charges or payments that occur after the statement date will appear on the next month's statement.







[www.mcgill.ca/student-records/transcripts](http://www.mcgill.ca/student-records/transcripts) or in person at the Admissions, Recruitment and Registrar's Office at the address below. Transcript requests may be submitted by mail, by fax, or in person but must be signed by the student. To protect privacy, we do not accept telephone or e-mail requests.

Admissions, Recruitment and Registrar's Office  
James Administration Building  
845 Sherbrooke Street West, Room 205  
Montreal, Quebec H3A 2T5  
Fax: (514) 398-8939

### 13.8.3 General Information

Transcripts are free of charge.

Official transcripts are sent directly to the addresses provided by the student. Official transcripts in sealed envelopes can be given to those requesting them.

Requests are processed in 3 to 5 working days, somewhat longer for pre-1976 records and at peak times.

ARR is not responsible for transcripts that are lost or delayed in the mail.

The University will issue only complete transcripts recording all work attempted and results obtained in any and all programs. In no circumstances will partial transcripts be issued.

Official transcripts will NOT be issued for students registered on or after September 2001 who have failed to provide the information and/or documents necessary to obtain or verify their Permanent Code.

Transcripts will not be issued if you owe fees or fines over \$30.

Official transcripts are produced on secure paper that cannot be copied.

### 13.8.4 Course Numbering on the Transcript

Prior to September 2002, course numbers had a seven-character designation beginning with the three-number code for the teaching unit/department. The next three digits specified the course, with the first of these indicating its level. The final character was a letter indicating the term, or terms, during which the course was offered. For example:

107-200A = Philosophy (107) course (200) in Fall term (A);

301-202B = Architecture (301) course (202) in Winter term (B);

154-230D = Economics (154) cour

7. In courses that span the Fall and Winter terms (course pairs with numbers ending D1 and D2), instructors who wish to give a mid-year examination in December must schedule it in the formal examination period.
8. The principles enunciated in these regulations shall be applied, appropriately modified, to courses given during the summer, to other courses of less than a 13-week duration, and to courses in the Faculties of Law, Medicine, Dentistry, and Education that do not follow the n4ultithat

**John P. Humphrey United Nations Collection Endowment**

In 2003 the Law Library received a legacy of \$330,000 from the estate of John Peters Humphrey, B.Comm.(1925), B.A.(1927), B.C.L.(1929), PhD.(1945). The endowment is to purchase material on the United Nations, with a special emphasis on Human Rights.

**Alan Aylesworth Macnaughton Collection of Canadian Legal Materials**

The late Senator Alan A. Macnaughton created an endowment for the McGill Law Library, the income to be used to buy legal materials. Senator Macnaughton was a Speaker of the House of Commons, Founder and Honorary Chairman of the Canadian World Wildlife Fund, Counsel at Martineau Walker, and a member of the Faculty of Law Advisory Board.

**Other Library Endowments**

Annual gifts from graduates and friends of the Faculty contribute significantly to the development of the library collections. For example, as a 25th Anniversary Project the Class of 1969 raised funds to substantially expand the Library's network capabilities providing greater access to a variety of information in electronic form. In addition, the Library has received a number of special endowments over the years which include such funds as the F. R. Scott Endowment in Constitutional Law, the International Law Endowment Fund, the Law Library Serials Endowment, and the Joel King Fund for Jewish Law.

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**16.1 Wainwright Trust**

The Wainwright Trust was established in 1973 from a legacy to the



### **Alma Mater Fund**

Each year alumni and alumnae support various faculty projects through their contributions to the Alma Mater Fund. In recent years the fund has assisted with several projects, including the purchase of computers in the Library, the refurnishing of the student common room, the acquisition and reproduction of class photos and the hiring of students as summer research assistants.

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### **16.5 Meredith Memorial Lectures**

In 1949 the Faculty of Law of McGill University began its sponsorship of a series of lectures known as the Bar Extension Lectures. These were designed to assist in the promotion of continuing legal education for members of the legal profession in the Montreal area. A variety of topics of current interest both to the members of the Bar and the notarial profession have been offered annually since that time. Since 1961 the lectures have been published as The Meredith Memorial Lectures in honour of the late W.C.J. Meredith, Q.C., Dean of the Faculty of Law of McGill University from 1950-1960. The proceeds of the Lectures sustain the W.C.J. Meredith Research Fund of the Faculty of Law.

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### **16.6 Visiting Judges Programme**

Each year the Faculty also hosts a visit by a prominent member of the judiciary who spends time at McGill. Past visiting judges include Madam Justice Georgina Jackson of the Saskatchewan Court of Appeal, Mr. Justice Roger Kerans of the Alberta Court of Appeal, Mr. Justice Amédée Monet and Mr. Justice Melvin Rothman of the Quebec Court of Appeal, Mr. Justice Sidney Schwartz of the Court of Queen's Bench of Manitoba, Mr. Justice Brian Sully of the Supreme Court of New South Wales, Madam Justice Nicole Duval Hesler, Mr. Justice Benjamin Greenberg, Mr. Justice Derek Guthrie, and Mr. Justice Pierre Boudreault of the Superior Court of Quebec, and Mr. Justice Peter Heerey and Mr. Justice Ronald Sackville of the Federal Court of Australia.

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### **16.7 Endowed Lectures**

In addition to the Boulton and Wainwright Lectures, the Faculty hosts two alumni lectures each year. Endowments from the Class of '75 and the Class of '77 on their 10th anniversary reunions fund







student obtaining the highest mark in the Faculty's basic course in Bankruptcy and Insolvency law.

**MACKAY AWARD** – Established by the MacKay Family to reflect the work and legacy of Robert de Wolfe MacKay, Q.C. and awarded annually by the Faculty of Law to the student obtaining the highest standing in the course Corporate Taxation. Value: minimum \$625.

**OSLER, HOSKIN AND HARCOURT PRIZE IN CORPORATE AND COMMERCIAL LAW** – Founded in 1983 by the firm of Osler, Hoskin and Harcourt, Barristers and Solicitors, of Toronto. It is awarded to a student who has achieved distinction in the fields of Corporate and Commercial Law. Value: \$300.

**STIKEMAN, ELLIOTT/CARSWELL NATIONAL TAX AWARD PRIZES** – - Founded in 1993 by Carswell-Thomson Professional Publishing and the partners of the law firm Stikeman, Elliott. Awarded to one or two students entering third or fourth year for excellence in taxation law courses. Value: minimum \$750 each.

#### **17.2.4 Evidence and Procedure**

**BRETT CODE SCHOLARSHIP IN CRIMINAL LAW** – Established in 2003 by Brett Code, LL.B. (1992), to recognize excellence and interest in the field of Criminal

and loyalty throughout 35 years of service to the Faculty of Law. Awarded each year to the first year student most meritorious in the field of Constitutional Law. Value: minimum \$750.

### 17.2.8 Other Course Prizes

**HENRY BENSON PRIZE** – Established in 1986 by B. Robert Benson, Q.C. in memory of his father. Awarded to the student entering third year who achieves the highest standing in the fields of Constitutional Law, Obligations I, Obligations II, Civil Law Property, Torts, Contracts, Common Law Property, Criminal Law, Foundations of Canadian Law and National Civil Procedure, which at present comprise the entire obligatory content of the first two years of the programme. Value: \$425.

### 17.2.9 Essays and Writing

**MAX CRESTOHL PRIZE** – Established in 1959 under the will of the late Max Nathan Zion Crestohl, Q.C., B.A.(1923). Awarded to the student who has submitted the best written contribution to the McGill Law Journal/*Revue de droit de McGill*. Value: \$350.

**J.S.D. TORY WRITING AWARDS** – These awards may be given to one student or shared by up to four students. Established by the firm Tory, DesLauriers & Binnington in 1989 in memory of its founder, J.S.D. Tory. These awards are intended to support student writing in the Faculty of Law and to permit students having submitted outstanding term essays to revise such essays for publication. Value: a total of \$2,000.

**WAINWRIGHT ESSAY PRIZE** – Established under the bequest of the late Arnold Wainwright, Q.C. (1879-1967), B.A.(1899), B.C.L.(1902), D.C.L.(1963). Awarded for the best written contribution by an undergraduate law student, whether the contribution be an essay or other paper and whether written as an elective or as part of a course requirement, or voluntarily. This prize is intended to support student writing in the Faculty and to encourage a student having written an outstanding essay to revise such essay for publication. Value: \$1,000.

### 17.2.10 Discretionary Awards, Prizes and Scholarships

**MAURICE ALEXANDER SCHOLARSHIP** – Bequeathed in 1950 by the late Maurice Alexander, C.M.G., K.C., of London, England, as a token of esteem for the late Sir Charles Peers Davidson, B.C.L.(1863), former Professor of Criminal law at McGill (1898-1919). Value: \$400.

**BORDEN LADNER GERVAIS PROFESSIONAL EXCELLENCE AWARD** – Awarded by the Faculty of Law to a first-year student who demonstrates academic excellence together with a commitment to professional and service excellence by consistently expanding his/her knowledge of the law, demonstrating the highest standards of integrity, offering innovative ideas, taking a collaborative approach, and contributing to the community. The Prize was created in 1995 by way of a donation from McMaster Meighen, one of the oldest law firms in Canada. The firm was founded in 1823, two years after the founding of McGill University itself, by William Badgley, who in 1844 was named in charge of teaching law at McGill in the Arts Faculty. In 1851 he was named as the first Professor of Law, and Dean of the Faculty of Law when it opened in 1853. The firm's second partner, Sir John Abbott, replaced him as Dean in 1855 and remained in that office for 25 years. In 1950, W.C.J. Meredith left the firm to become Dean, which position he held until his death in 1960. Estimated value: \$1,500

### **PRIX SOUVENIR GEORGE S. CHALLIES - GEORGE S. CHALLIES**

**MEMORIAL AWARD** – The following extract is taken from an address given by the Hon. Chief Justice Jules Deschênes of the Superior Court to the McGill Law Graduates Association on December 13th, 1973: Mr. Justice Challies, B.A.(1931), M.A.(1933), B.C.L.(1935), M.C.L.(1947), left us prematurely earlier this year and the judges of the Superior Court of the Province of Quebec have thoughtc-0TJT\*-0hsowisticschênesebe Challies, B.Abec h-7.4(Arte.92 smTJ.s2 judges TD0.0043 memorhe Whlli519 -1.t1259bet.92



**NATHAN COTLER MEMORIAL PRIZE IN HUMAN RIGHTS LAW –**

Established in 1985 in memory of Nat Cotler, Q.C., B.A.(1926), B.C.L. (1929) by his family. Awarded annually to the graduating student who achieves the highest standing in the field of Human Rights throughout the Programme. Value: \$325.

**PHILIP MEYEROVITCH, Q.C. PRIZE –** Established in 1972 by the wife and children of Philip Meyerovitch, Q.C., B.C.L.(1921), to commemorate his 50 years of practice before the Bar of the Province of Quebec. Awarded to the graduating student obtaining the highest standing in Evidence. Value: \$100.

**CHERYL ROSA TERESA DORAN AWARD –** Established in 1989 by Cheryl Rosa's family, Teresa, Robert and John Doran, aunts and uncles, Rosa, Nino and Roberto Gualtieri, all graduates of McGill University, Margot Gualtieri and colleagues and friends in recognition of the exemplary life and accomplishments of Cheryl Rosa Teresa Doran, B.A. with distinction, Carleton (1979), LL.B., B.C.L. (National Programme) (1984), and called to the Bar of Quebec in 1985. The award is given annually to a deserving graduating student on the basis of academic merit, steadfastness, and dedication to the profession of law. Value: \$450.

**CHIEF JUSTICE GREENSHIELDS PRIZE IN CRIMINAL LAW –** Endowed by the late Mrs. Greenshields in 1943 in memory of her husband, the late Chief Justice Robert Alfred Ernest Greenshields, B.A. (1883), B.C.L.(1885), D.C.L., LL.D., for many years professor of Criminal Law and Dean of the Faculty of Law. Awarded to the member of the graduating class in Law having the highest standing in Criminal Law throughout the law programme. Value: \$350.

**ROSA B. GUALTIERI PRIZE –** Founded in 1978 by Rosa B. Gualtieri, B.A.(1948), B.C.L.(1951). To be awarded to a graduating student deemed to be deserving because of high academic standing and exceptional personal qualities as demonstrated in the graduating year or throughout the course regardless of which undergraduate degree programme the student has followed. Value: \$425.

**H.E. HERSCHORN PRIZE –** Established By Mr. H.E. Herschorn, N.P., B.A.(1911), B.C.L.(1914). Awarded to the highest ranking graduating student who intends to enter the Notarial Profession. Value: \$900.

**“I.M.E.” PRIZE IN COMMERCIAL LAW –** A prize to enable a student to purchase law books, established by Mr. George S. McFadden, Q.C., in memory of Irene Metcalfe Esler, awarded to the member of the graduating class having the highest standing in Commercial Law throughout the programme. Value: \$1,550.

**WILLIAM KAGAN MEMORIAL PRIZE –** Established in 2000 by Miriam Kagan, B.C.L./LL.B.(1990), in memory of her father, William Kagan. Awarded by the Faculty of Law to a graduating undergraduate law student who has achieved distinction in the study of Real Estate Law. Value: minimum \$500.

**STANLEY KANDESTIN, Q.C. PRIZE M, Q.C.**



**THOMAS SHEARER STEWART TRAVELLING FELLOWSHIP** – Established in 1967 by the family of the late Thomas Shearer Stewart, Q.C., a graduate of the Faculty of Law class of 1908. The fellowship is to be awarded annually to a recent graduate of the Faculty of Law designated by the Dean of the Faculty, preference being given to a graduate who is a Canadian citizen intending to reside in Canada upon completion of his/her studies. The fellowship is to be used for a graduate to follow a programme of studies in Law at a university approved by the Dean of the Faculty, other than at a university in Quebec. Candidates should make application for this fellowship through the Office of Undergraduate Studies. Value: not less than \$12,000.

**SPIEGEL SOHMER TAXATION SCHOLARSHIP** – Established by the Montreal law firm of Spiegel, Sohmer to advance the study and practice of Taxation Law. Awarded to a member of the graduating class on the basis of distinction in the field of Taxation throughout the programme and interest in the study of Taxation as a legal discipline, including possible postgraduate intentions. Candidates may indicate their eligibility for this award through the Office of Undergraduate Studies. Value: \$1,400.

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#### 17.4 Dean's Honour List

Each year a maximum of the top 10% of the students in each faculty, based on the sessional GPA, are named to the Dean's Honour List. While carrying no monetary value, this designation is noted on all University Transcripts.

A maximum of the top 10% of the graduating students in each faculty are named to the Dean's Honour List. This honorary designation is based upon the cumulative academic record in the graduating faculty and the minimum required CGPA is determined annually by each faculty. Individual faculties should be consulted regarding any additional criteria which may be used. Law students should consult the Associate Dean (Academic).

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#### 17.5 Graduate Scholarships, Prizes and Student Aid for Entering Students

**CLIVE V. ALLEN FELLOWSHIP** – Established in 1999 through a substantial contribution by Nortel Networks Corporation on the retirement of Clive V. Allen (B.A. 1956, B.C.L. 1959), following 25 years of service as Nortel's Chief Legal Officer, and subsequent generous contributions by Mr. Allen and some of his friends in the legal community. Awarded by the Faculty of Law to a student entering the first or second year of graduate studies in law; preference will be given to doctoral students. Preference will also be given to students specializing in International Business Law. Estimated value: \$10,000.

**JOHN AND EDMUND DAY AWARD FOR GRADUATE STUDIES IN LAW** – Established in 1996 by a generous bequest by Isabelle Day in memory of her grandfather, Edmund Thomas Day and her great-grandfather, John James Day, both graduates of the Faculty of Law. Awarded by the Faculty of Law to a graduate student in Law. Value: \$2,000 - \$5,000.

**CHIEF JUSTICE R.A. GREENSHIELDS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS FOR GRADUATE STUDIES** – Bequeathed by Mrs. R.A.E. Greenshields in memory of her husband Chief Justice Greenshields, B.A., B.C.L., LL.B. and D.C.L. to outstanding students entering the first year of graduate studies in the Faculty. Value: \$5,000 renewable on a fully competitive basis.

**SAUL HAYES GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP** – Endowed by Edgar and Charles Bronfman in memory of Saul Hayes, for graduate studies in areas of Civil Liberties and Human Rights, and tenable for up to four years. Application should be made to the Graduate and Post-Doctoral Studies Office. Value: ranging from \$7,500 to \$8,500.

**ROBERT E. MORROW, Q.C., FELLOWSHIPS** – Established in 1999 by friends and colleagues of Robert E. Morrow, QC, B.C.L. (1947). Awarded by the Faculty of Law to outstanding students entering the first year of graduate studies in the Institute of Air and Space Law. Value: minimum \$5,000.

**AUBREY SENEZ SCHOLARSHIP** – Bequeathed by Aubrey Senez for a student entering a graduate programme in the Faculty of Law, specializing in International Business Law. Preference is given to students from Montreal's South Shore. Awarded by the Graduate and Post-Doctoral Studies Office in consultation with the Faculty of Law. Value: minimum \$10,000; renewable.

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#### 17.6 Graduate Scholarships, Prizes and Student Aid for Continuing Students

**JOSE BOGOLASKY MEMORIAL PRIZE IN INTERNATIONAL AIR LAW** – Established by the friends and colleagues of José Bogolasky, LL.M. (1976) who passed away suddenly in Santiago, Chile in 1987. A book prize awarded to the student in the Master's or Diploma programme in the Institute of Air and Space Law achieving the highest standing in Public International Air Law.

**INSTITUTE OF COMPARATIVE LAW ESSAY PRIZE** – Founded in 1993 by the Alumni Association of the





Latin American Law Students' Association (LALSA)  
 LEGALE McGill OutLaw  
 (Les  
 étudiants Gais et Lesbiennes de McGill)  
 McGill Business Law Association  
 McGill Entertainment Law Students Association (MELSA)  
 McGill Health Law Association  
 McGill Jewish Law Students Association  
 McGill Law Women's Caucus  
 McGill Radical Law Community/  
 Communauté juridique radicale de McGill  
 Phi Delta Phi  
 Pro Bono Students Canada/  
 Programme Canadien pro bono pour étudiants et étudiantes  
 Rethinking Intellectual Property Policy (RIPP)  
 Student Animal Legal Defence Fund - McGill Chapter  
 Thomas More Society

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## 20.2 Law Student Services

### LSA Computer Advisory Committee

The LSA Computer Advisory Committee is responsible for administering the student-funded Computer Labs at the Faculty of Law in conjunction with the Faculty. The committee is comprised of three student representatives (including a member of the LSA executive) and of two Faculty members. The Committee provides for the technical support, maintenance, upgrading and printing services of the LSA Computer Labs. The Committee also takes responsibility for the Electronic Mail System and Electronic Notice System within the Faculty. The Committee strives to maintain and improve student computer services at the lowest cost.

### McGill Legal Information Clinic

The McGill Legal Information Clinic is a student-run service for the McGill University community. Law student staff provide legal counselling and information within the limits of the Quebec Bar Act. Only students who have completed first year are eligible to volunteer. For further information call (514) 398-6792 or visit the Clinic offices at Rooms B-20 and B-21, University Centre, 3480 McTavish Street.

### Quid Novi

*Quid Novi* is the weekly newspaper of the McGill Faculty of Law. The *Quid Novi* is published and financially supported by students. It covers events and legal issues, both inside and outside the Faculty. Content ranges from wit and satire to investigative journalism, from poetry to front-page news stories, from political commentary to humorous contests.

### Skit Nite

Skit Nite is an annual theatrical production produced and performed by law students. Comprising humorous vignettes of law school life and musical performances, the show has become the highlight of the Faculty social calendar. The primary purpose of the evening, however, is to raise money for local charities. Skit Nite donates over \$20,000 every year to several Montreal charities.

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## 20.3 Extra-curricular Activities

There are over 250 activities and clubs which students may join. These include international clubs; religious groups; political clubs; fraternities; communications groups such as Radio McGill, the McGill Tribune, and the McGill Daily; and some 50 miscellaneous groups (e.g., science clubs; literary, theatrical and musical societies; a chess club; and the McGill Outing Club).

The University Centre, 3480 McTavish Street, provides club rooms for these activities in a four-storey building with cafeterias, a ballroom, lounges and an experimental theatre. Activities for graduate students are centred in David Thomson Hq1 (The University C )-6-0.0 the McGill Daily3-521aA5(ies, fa2ull c0.0044 )7.tiea

**International Student Services:** offers support to international students on non-academic matters (immigration, health insurance, etc.), runs a Buddy Program and an orientation program.

Brown Building, Suite 3215 (514) 398-4349

E-mail: [international.students@mcgill.ca](mailto:international.students@mcgill.ca)

Website: [www.mcgill.ca/internationalstudents](http://www.mcgill.ca/internationalstudents)

**Mental Health Service:** a psychiatric clinic

**13.6. "Verification of Student Record".** The Student Affairs Office should be notified immediately when a final-year student changes his/her expected graduation term. Failure to do so may result in the postponement of a student's graduation.

A student must complete a minimum residency requirement of 60 credits at McGill in order to qualify for a McGill degree.

The minimum CGPA required to graduate is 2.00.

## 22.2 Graduation Approval Query

Graduating students may view the status of their graduation record on Minerva as part of the Faculty review and approval process. The menu option called "Student Graduation Query" is accessed via the Student Records menu option on Minerva, and becomes available to graduating students approximately 3-4 weeks before the "degree awarded" notation is updated on their records.

If all requirements for graduation are met, the student's record on Minerva will be updated with the "degree awarded" notation at the appropriate time:

- late February, if term of graduation is Fall (Convocation in Spring)
- late May, if term of graduation is Winter (Convocation in Spring)
- late October, if term of graduation is Summer (Convocation in Fall)

**Note:** Information regarding the Convocation ceremonies can be obtained on the McGill Website at [www.mcgill.ca/convocations](http://www.mcgill.ca/convocations).

## 22.3 Replacement Diploma

There are several instances when students might request a replacement diploma: if your diploma was lost, damaged, or if the name on the diploma should be changed. Students must make a request in writing and should also include a certified cheque or money order for the amount of CDN \$60 made payable to McGill University. Students should refer to the sections below to determine which situation applies to them. All requests should be sent to:

Admissions, Recruitment and Registrar's Office Service Centre  
Duplicate Diploma Request  
McGill University  
James Administration Building, Room 205  
Montreal QC H3A 2T5  
E-mail: [registration.arr@mcgill.ca](mailto:registration.arr@mcgill.ca)

Please note that requests made on behalf of a student must be accompanied by a signed letter of authorization from the student.

**To replace a lost diploma:** Students must provide a sworn affidavit from a notary, a lawyer or a commissioner of oaths certifying that the diploma is lost. The affidavit should include: full name; student number; address; phone number; date of birth; degree granted/year granted; reason for a replacement diploma.

**To replace a damaged diploma or change the name on the diploma:** Students must send or deliver the original diploma. Include clear and complete photocopies of legal documents supporting the name change. Please refer to [section 10.4, "Legal Name"](#) for the list of acceptable documents. Please note that the name change must be processed in the system before a duplicate diploma can be issued. Students must enclose a letter containing the following important information: full name; student number; address; phone number; date of birth; reason for a replacement diploma; new spelling/grammar changes.

responsibility to ensure that he or she has fulfilled all requirements, including pre-law educational requirements, of the Bar to which he or she is applying.

## 23.1 Canada

Information on the following Bars/Law Societies can be obtained by consulting their website:

Barreau du Québec: [www.barreau.qc.ca](http://www.barreau.qc.ca)

Chambre des notaires du Québec: [www.cdnq.org](http://www.cdnq.org)

École du barreau du Québec: [www.ecoledubarreau.qc.ca](http://www.ecoledubarreau.qc.ca)

Federation of Law Societies of Canada: [www.flsc.ca](http://www.flsc.ca)

(For information on the National Committee on Accreditation)

Nova Scotia Barristers' Society: [www.nsbs.ns.ca](http://www.nsbs.ns.ca)

Law Society of Alberta: [www.lawsocietyalberta.com](http://www.lawsocietyalberta.com)

Law Society of British Columbia: [www.lawsociety.bc.ca](http://www.lawsociety.bc.ca)

Law Society of Manitoba: [www.lawsociety.mb.ca](http://www.lawsociety.mb.ca)

Law Society of New Brunswick: [www.lawsociety.nb.ca](http://www.lawsociety.nb.ca)

Law Society of Newfoundland: [www.lawsociety.nf.ca](http://www.lawsociety.nf.ca)

Law Society of the Northwest Territories: [www.lawsociety.nt.ca](http://www.lawsociety.nt.ca)

Law Society of Nunavut: [www.lawsociety.nu.ca](http://www.lawsociety.nu.ca)

Law Society of Prince Edward Island: [www.lspei.pe.ca](http://www.lspei.pe.ca)

Law Society of Saskatchewan: [www.lawsociety.sk.ca](http://www.lawsociety.sk.ca)

Law Society of Upper Canada (Ontario): [www.lsuc.on.ca](http://www.lsuc.on.ca)

Law Society of Yukon: [www.lawsocietyyukon.com](http://www.lawsocietyyukon.com)

### 23.1.1 Language Requirements – Quebec

Quebec law requires that candidates seeking admission to provincially-recognized professional corporations must possess a working knowledge of the French language, that is, be able to communicate verbally and in writing in that language.

To demonstrate this capability, candidates will be required to pass an examination set by the Office de la langue française,

## 23 Admission to the Legal Profession

While the Career Placement Office of the Faculty of Law endeavours to maintain up-to-date information on Bar Admission requirements for jurisdictions of interest to the majority of students graduating from the Faculty, it is the individual student's

United States should ensure as early as possible that they will meet the Bar Admission requirements of the jurisdiction in which they intend to practice. Further information on a number of jurisdictions is available from the Career Placement Office.

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### **23.3 Language Requirements for Professions**

Quebec law requires that candidates seeking admission to provincially recognized professional corporations\* must possess a working knowledge of the French language, that is, be able to communicate verbally and in writing in that language.

To demonstrate this capability, candidates will be required to pass an examination set by the Office de la langue française, unless they can show that three years of full-time instruction in a French post-primary school have been completed. Candidates who have completed their secondary education in Quebec in 1986 or later and have received their certificate from secondary school are exempt from writing the examination. The professional corporation will require this certificate, proof of attendance or of successful completion of the Office examination.

The examination may be attempted by registered students during the two years prior to the date they receive a degree giving access to a professional corporation. Application forms for sitting the exam while still a student may be obtained from the Admissions, Recruitment and Registrar's Office. Priority will be given to those closest to graduation. Examinations take place every three months and may be attempted an unlimited number of times.

More information may be obtained from the Office de la langue française, 125 Sherbrooke Street West, Montréal, Québec, H2X 1X4. Telephone: (514) 873-4833.

Students who need to acquire a functional level of proficiency in French may take courses from either the English and French Language Centre, Faculty of Arts, or the Centre for Continuing Education, 688 Sherbrooke Street West, telephone (514) 398-6200.

Students already proficient in French but who wish to keep up

*Career in International Law*" and *"You're Not Alone! A Law Student's Guide to Careers in the Public Interest"*, which was written in collaboration with the Faculty's Human Rights Working Group as well as *"Planning Your Legal Career: A guide for Graduate Students"*.

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## 24.5 Reciprocity Agreement

Reciprocity agreements have been signed with placement offices of other Canadian law schools, enabling McGill students to obtain assistance in their employment research outside the province of Quebec.

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## 24.6 Alumni/ae Network

McGill's 5,500 alumni/ae frequently assist the Faculty in placing graduates. The Alumni Network is an important resource to current and future students as graduates of the Faculty of Law collectively represent a repository of experience, information, and contacts.

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# 25 Library

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## 25.1 Nahum Gelber Law Library

The Nahum Gelber Law Library, opened in 1998, is a state-of-the-art facility with a collection of over 170,000 volumes of statutes, regulations, law reports, treatises, journals, and other legal material. In addition to Canadian law, the collection focuses on air and space law, comparative law, private and public international law, human rights law, jurisprudence and international trade law. It also has legal materials from other jurisdictions such as Great Britain, France and the United States. The Peter Marshall Laing Special Collections Room houses the Wainwright Collection of French law from the ancien régime and other rare books. Other collections of note include an extensive collection of French legal theses and the John Humphrey United Nations Collection. The Dobrin-Steinberg Computer Instruction Classroom, when not in use for teaching, may be used by law students for personal research. In addition, there is wireless network access throughout the building as well as over 300 wired workspaces allowing students to use personal laptop computers to access digitized information. There are also six Moot Team Preparation Rooms for the exclusive use of competitive moot teams and three group study rooms for use by McGill students.

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# 26 Research Centres

Three research institutes are affiliated to the Faculty of Law: the Institute of Comparative Law (ICL); the Institute of Air and Space



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