



McGill

What *makes* McGill special?

Located in Montreal, one of the world's greatest multicultural and multilingual cities, and with the most international student body in the country, McGill University is a globally connected community inspired by challenge and committed to shaping a better future.

Entering its third century of contributions to research, learning and discovery, McGill is ranked among the world's best academic institutions.

/ **#1** in Canada
in the medical doctoral category
for 19 consecutive years
[Maclean's University Rankings 2024]

/ **#29** in the world
[QS World University Rankings 2025]

/ **2024** Platinum
STARS rating
[Sustainability, Tracking, Assessment and Rating system]

/ **147** Rhodes Scholars
— top in Canada

/ **10** Nobel Laureates
have studied or taught at McGill

Fostering bright minds & diverse perspectives

Outstanding Faculty Members ///

Every day, McGill faculty members and researchers are pushing the boundaries of knowledge, and exploring new pathways in hundreds of fields.

/ 1,715
Tenured & Tenure-Stream Professors
/ 50%+ from abroad

/ 184
Canada Research Chairs

/ 209
Active Fellows of
the Royal Society of Canada

Recipients of prestigious
research awards:

/ 24
Killam Prizes

/ 3
Steacie Prizes for Natural Sciences

/ 9
Gairdner Foundation
International Awards

/ 32
Sloan Fellowships

Talented Students ///

McGill students come from across Québec and Canada, and from more than 150 countries and territories around the world.

Total number of students: **39,380**

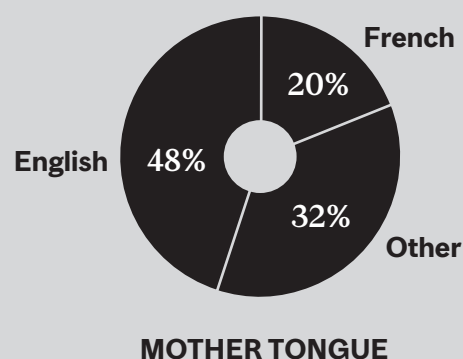
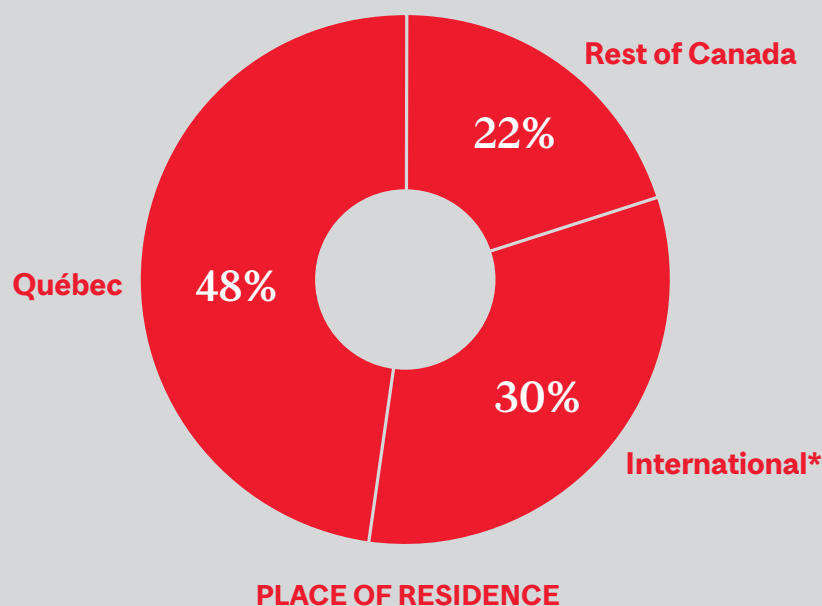
/ **27,196**
Undergraduates

/ **10,147**
Graduates

/ **576**
Postdoctoral scholars

/ **1,461**
Residents & Fellows

McGill has **the most internationally diverse** student population of any university in Canada.



All figures based on 2023 enrolments

*Top 3 home countries: **China, USA, France**

A powerful incubator of new discoveries

/ **#1** in sustainability

research worldwide

[Sustainable Campus Index (AASHE), 2024]

/ **#1** in Canada

More companies launched by alumnae from
McGill than any other university in Canada

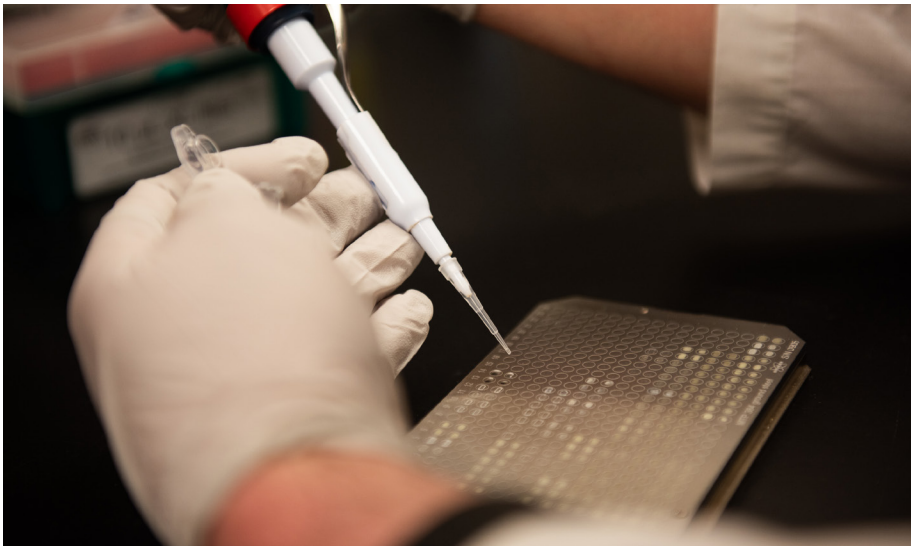
[Pitchbook, 2024]

/ **\$19.9B**

Raised by start-ups launched by McGill
alumni with undergraduate degrees

[Pitchbook, 2024]

Connections to industry and academic partners propels our research forward. Discover some of our recent collaborations. ///



/ Human Health

Bringing together more than 50 academic and industry partners, the \$353-million DNA to RNA project (D2R) research initiative will develop revolutionary genomic-based RNA therapeutics for rare and infectious diseases and common chronic diseases like cancer.

/ Clean Energy

At the McGill Centre for Innovation in Storage and Conversion of Energy (McISCE) experts in engineering, physical sciences and architecture work alongside political scientists and economists to accelerate the world's transition to clean energy.

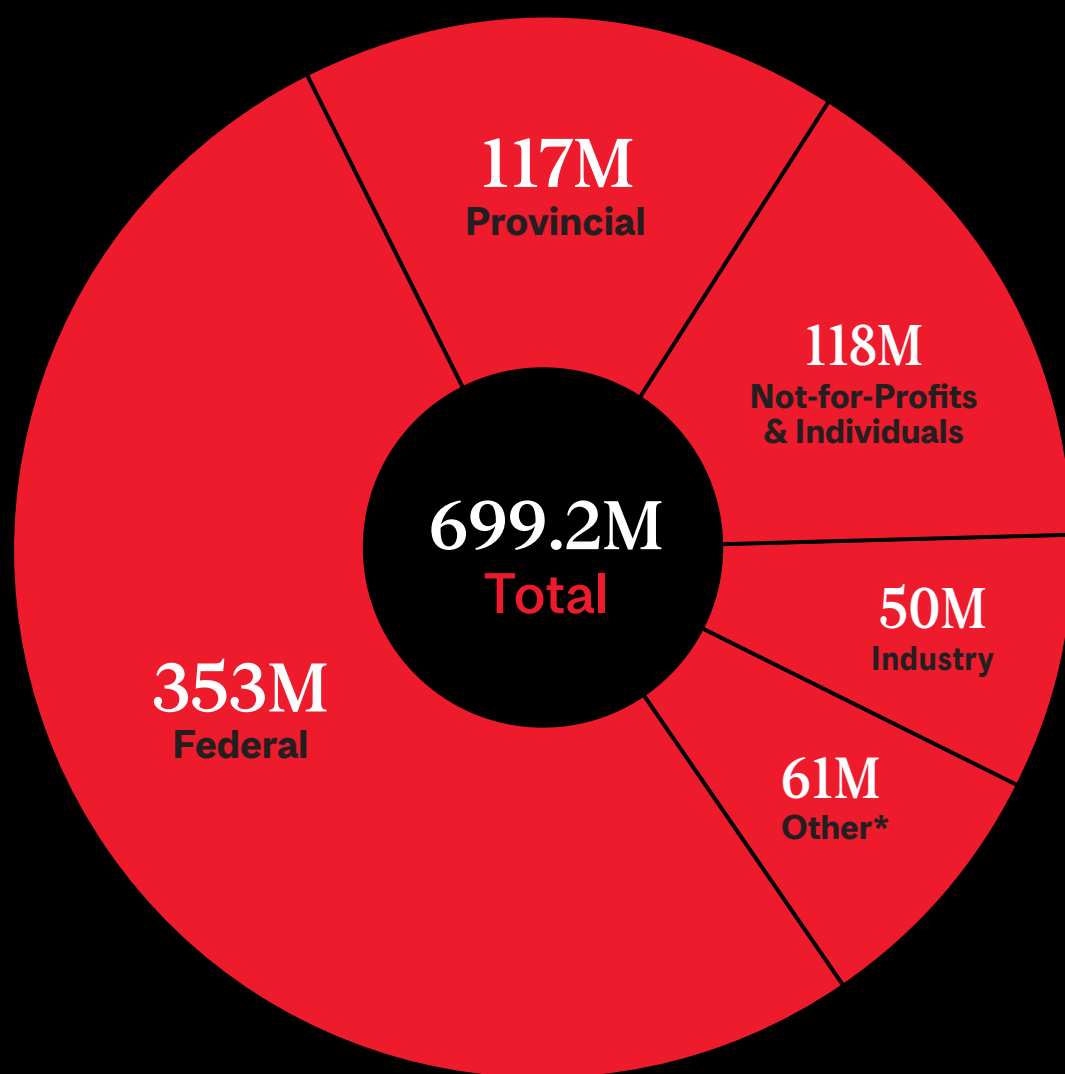
/ Sustainability

The McGill Sustainability Systems Initiative (MSSI) connects 250 McGill researchers across nine faculties, and collaborators worldwide from all sectors. Together they are building transdisciplinary solutions to complex global sustainability challenges.

/ Artificial Intelligence

McGill is a proud founding member of Mila — a community of more than 1,200 researchers specializing in machine learning. Our numerous research chairs are ensuring the benefits of AI are carried across disciplines.

Investment in McGill research



Funding FY2022 [including affiliated hospitals] in \$CAD
Source: CAUBO

* Includes foreign investments,
endowment, and miscellaneous
revenues

A community that spans the globe

/ 130+

International collaborative
agreements signed with
institutions in 39 countries

/ 36

Joint PhD agreements with
20 institutions in 7 countries

/ 140+

Student exchange
agreements in 39 countries

McGill boasts a network of more than 300,000 alumni
working and living in 185 countries.

Through history, our graduates have become:

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Canadian Prime Ministers

/ 5

Astronauts

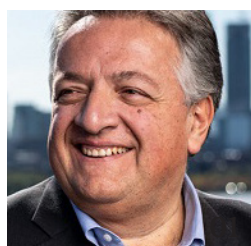
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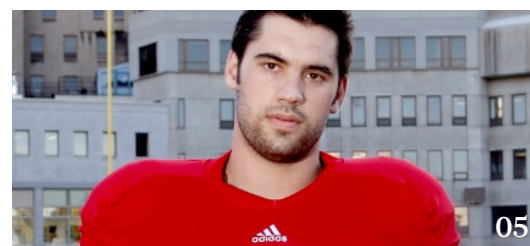
Olympians

McGillians are trailblazers, innovators & big thinkers



McCord Museum

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Lorica Cohen

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04

/ **NOUBAR AFEYAN** (BEng'83) is the founder and CEO of Flagship Pioneering, a venture capital firm that helps to establish new companies developing novel solutions to sustainability and human health challenges. His firm has accelerated breakthrough innovations, like Moderna's COVID-19 vaccine. [01]

/ Curator of the McGill Medical Museum in 1901, **MAUDE ABBOTT**, BA'1890, laid the foundation for modern heart surgery by giving physicians a detailed understanding of the anatomy of heart disease. [02]

/ The world's first antiretroviral drug for HIV, 3TC, came about

from the early work of McGill chemistry professor **BERNARD BELLEAU**, PhD'50, on sugar derivatives. Once commercialized, it is estimated to have saved approximately 2 million lives.

/ Acclaimed singer, songwriter, poet and novelist, **LEONARD COHEN**, BA'55, DLitt'92, was one of the most widely recognized Canadian artists of the late 20th century. [03]

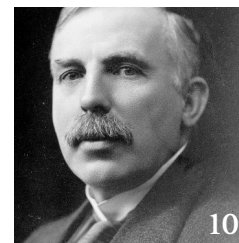
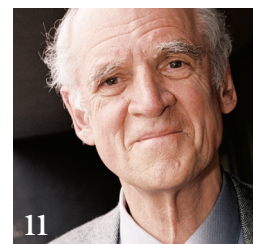
/ **CARRIE DERICK**, BA'1890, was the first woman in Canada to be named full university professor. A pioneering geneticist, she created the first course on genetics and evolution, and gained renown as a botanist and social reformer. [04]

/ **LAURENT DUVERNAY-TARDIF**, MDCM'18, was selected in the 2014 NFL Draft and played for the Kansas City Chiefs. He is the first MD and the only Québec-born player to win a Super Bowl. [05]

/ **ALAN EMTAGE**, BSc'87, MSc'91, pioneered Archie – the first publicly distributed Internet search engine. [06]

/ In 1965, Professor **SAMUEL FREEDMAN**, MDCM'53, and colleague **PHIL GOLD**, MDCM'61, [07] discovered and defined the Carcinoembryonic Antigen (CEA) – an important biomarker that can help diagnose cancer, assess its treatment, and detect recurrence.

*Here are members of the McGill community
— past and present — who have made history
in their respective fields. ///*



/ Law professor, **JOHN HUMPHREY**, BCL'29, worked with a committee of the United Nations Secretariat to draft the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Translated into 321 languages and dialects, it is likely the most cited legal document ever drafted by a Canadian.

/ **JOANNE LIU**, MDCM'91, IMHL'14, served as the international president of Médecins Sans Frontières from 2013 to 2019. She is currently a professor at McGill's School of Population and Global Health. [08]

/ Director of McGill's Social Science Research Group, **LEONARD MARSH**, published the Report on Social Security for Canada in 1943.

It is said to be the most important single document in the history of the welfare state in Canada.

/ **COLIN MUNRO MACLEOD**, MDCM'32, was part of a team that first identified DNA as the building blocks of genetics in the early forties.

/ **FRANCES OLDHAM KELSEY**, BSc'34, MSc'35, a pharmacologist with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, was credited with raising the alarm about thalidomide, saving countless lives.

/ **JENNI SIDEY-GIBBONS**, BEng'11, is the youngest astronaut in Canada's history. [09]

/ Physics professor **ERNEST RUTHERFORD** [10] and chemistry researcher **FREDERICK SODDY** demonstrated in the early 1900s that atoms could spontaneously decay, forming new kinds of matter as a consequence.

/ **MOSHE SAFDIE**, BArch'61, LLD'82, the architect behind Montreal's "Habitat" for Expo 67, has gone on to have a stellar international career.

/ **CHARLES TAYLOR**, BA'52, is a philosopher whose writings have been translated into 20 languages, and have covered a range of subjects including multiculturalism, politics, social behaviour and language, from modernity to the present day. [11]

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