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(Graduate)**

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4 Graduate Studies at a Glance

Please refer to [University Regulations & Resources](#) > *Graduate* > : [Graduate Studies at a Glance](#) for a list of all graduate departments and degrees currently being offered.

5 Program Requirements

Refer to [University Regulations & Resources](#) > *Graduate* > *Regulations* > : [Program Requirements](#) for graduate program requirements for the following:

- Master's Degrees
- Doctoral Degrees
- Coursework for Graduate Programs, Diplomas, and Certificates

6 Graduate Admissions and Application Procedures

Please refer to [University Regulations & Resources](#) > *Graduate* > : [Graduate Admissions and Application Procedures](#) for information on:

- Application for Admission
- Admission Requirements
- Application Procedures
- Competency in English

and other important information regarding admissions and application procedures for Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies.

7 Fellowships, Awards, and Assistantships

Please refer to [University Regulations & Resources](#) > *Graduate* > : [Fellowships, Awards, and Assistantships](#) for information and contact information regarding fellowships, awards, and assistantships in Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies.

8 Postdoctoral Research

Students must inform themselves of University rules and regulations and keep abreast of any changes that may occur. The *Postdoctoral Research* section of this publication contains important details postdoctoral scholars will require during their studies at McGill and should be periodically consulted, along with other sections and related publications.

8.1 Postdocs

Postdocs are recent graduates with a Ph.D. or equivalent (i.e., Medical Specialist Diploma) engaged by a member of the University's academic staff, including Adjunct Professors, to assist them in research.

Postdocs must be appointed by their department and registered with Enrolment Services in order to have access to University facilities (library, computer, etc.).

8.2 Guidelines and Policy for Academic Units on Postdoctoral Education

Every unit hosting postdocs should apply institutional policies and procedures for the provision of postdoctoral education and have established means for informing postdocs of policies, procedures, and privileges (available at mcgill.ca/gps/postdocs), as well as mechanisms for addressing complaints. For their part, postdocs are responsible for informing themselves of such policies, procedures, and privileges.

1. Definition and Status

- i. Postdoctoral status will be recognized by the University in accordance with Quebec provincial regulations as may be modified from time to time. The eligibility period for postdoctoral status is up to five years from the date when the Ph.D. or equiv

- i. Postdocs are subject to the responsibilities outlined at mcgill.ca/students/srr and must abide by the policies listed at mcgill.ca/secretariat/policies-and-regulations.
- ii. Each academic unit hosting postdocs should clearly identify postdocs' needs and the means by which they will be met by the unit.
- iii. Each academic unit should assess the availability of research supervision facilities, office space, and research funding before recruiting postdocs.
- iv. Some examples of the responsibilities of the academic unit are:
 - to verify the postdoc's eligibility period for registration;
 - to provide postdocs with departmental policy and procedures that pertain to them;
 - to facilitate the registration and appointment of postdocs;
 - to assign departmental personnel the responsibility for postdoctoral affairs in the unit;
 - to oversee and sign off on the Letter of Agreement for Postdoctoral Education;
 - to ensure that each postdoc has a supervisor, lab and/or office space, access to research operating costs and necessary equipment;
 - to include postdocs in departmental career and placement opportunities;
 - to refer postdocs to the appropriate University policies and personnel for the resolution of conflict that may arise between a postdoc and a supervisor.
- v. Some examples of the responsibilities of the supervisor are:
 - to uphold and transmit to their postdocs the highest professional standards of research and/or scholarship;
 - to provide research guidance;
 - to meet regularly with their postdocs;
 - to provide feedback on research submitted by the postdocs;
 - to clarify expectations regarding intellectual property rights in accordance with the University's policy;
 - to provide mentorship for career development;
 - to prepare, sign, and adhere to a Letter of Agreement for Postdoctoral Education.
- vi. Some examples of the responsibilities of postdocs are:
 - to inform themselves of and adhere to the University's policies and/or regulations for postdocs as outlined at mcgill.ca/gps/postdocs, mcgill.ca/students/srr and the Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies [University Regulations and Resources](#);
 - to submit a complete file for registration to Enrolment Services;
 - to sign and adhere to their Letter of Agreement for Postdoctoral Education;
 - to communicate regularly with their supervisor;
 - to inform their supervisor of their absences.
- vii. Some examples of the responsibilities of the University are:
 - to register postdocs;
 - to provide an appeal mechanism in cases of conflict;
 - to provide documented policies and procedures to postdocs;
 - to provide postdocs with the necessary information on McGill University student services (Postdoctoral Fellows and Scholars) and HR policies and guidelines (Postdoctoral Researchers).

Approved by Senate, April 2000; revised May 2014; February 2020.

8.3 Vacation Policy for Postdocs

Please refer to the : [Vacation Policy for Graduate Students and Postdocs](#).

8.4 Leave of Absence for Health and Parental/Familial Reasons

A leave of absence may be granted for maternity or parental reasons or for health reasons (see [University Regulations & Resources > Graduate > : Leave of Absence Status](#)).

Such a leave must be requested on a term-by-term basis and may be granted for a period of up to 52 weeks. For a maternity or parental leave, the eligibility period of a maximum of 52 consecutive weeks is determined based on when the child is born; if the leave is interrupted for one or two terms, the eligibility period cannot be extended. Students and Postdocs must make a request for such a leave in writing to their department and submit a medical certificate. The department shall forward the request to Enrolment Services. See the procedure in [University Regulations & Resources > Graduate > : Leave of Absence Status](#).

Students who have been granted such a leave will have to register for the term(s) in question and their registration will show as "leave of absence" on their record. No tuition fees will be charged for the duration of the authorized leave. Research supervisors are not obligated to remunerate students and Postdocs on leave. A summary table of various leave policies (paid or unpaid) for students and Postdocs paid from the Federal and Quebec Councils through fellowships or research grants is available at mcgill.ca/gps/funding/getting-paid under "Leave Policies and Form."

8.5 Postdoctoral Research Trainees

Eligibility

If your situation does not conform to the Government of Quebec's definition of a Postdoctoral Fellow, you may be eligible to attend McGill as a Postdoctoral Research Trainee. While at McGill, you can perform research only (you may not register for courses or engage in clinical practice). Medical specialists who will have clinical exposure and require a training card must register through Postgraduate Medical Education of the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences—not Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies.

The category of Postdoctoral Research Trainee is for:

Category 1: An individual who has completed requirements for the Doctoral degree or medical specialty, but whose degree/certification has not yet been awarded. An individual in this category will subsequently be eligible for registration as a Postdoctoral Fellow.

Category 2: An individual who is not eligible for Postdoctoral Registration according to the Government of Quebec's definition, but is a recipient of an external postdoctoral award from a recognized Canadian funding agency.

Category 3: An individual who holds a professional degree (or equivalent) in a regulated health profession (as defined under CIHR-eligible health profession) and is enrolled in a program of postgraduate medical education at another institution. This individual wishes to conduct the research stage or elective component of their program of study at McGill University under the supervision of a McGill professor. This individual will be engaged in full-time research with well-defined objecti

- Service Point
- Student Rights & Responsibilities
- Student Services – Downtown & Macdonald Campuses
- Residential Facilities
- Athletics and Recreation
- Ombudsperson for Students
- Extra-Curricular and Co-Curricular Activities
- Bookstore
- Computer Store
- Day Care

12.2 Program Accreditation

The Professional Master's Program has received accreditation status by *Physiotherapy Education Accreditation Canada*.

The Occupational Therapy program is accredited by the *Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists*.

12.3 Professional Organizations

Canadian National Offices

Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists
100-34 Colonnade Road
Ottawa ON K2E 7J6
Telephone: 613-523-CAOT(2268); 1-800-434-CAOT(2268) (toll-free)
Website: www.caot.ca

Canadian Physiotherapy Association
National Office
955 Green Valley Crescent, Suite 270
Ottawa ON K2C 3V4
Telephone: 613-564-5454; 1-800-387-8679 (toll free)
Fax: 613-564-1577
Email: information@physiotherapy.ca
Website: www.physiotherapy.ca

Canadian Alliance of Physiotherapy Regulators
1243 Islington Avenue, Suite 501
Toronto ON M8X 1Y9
Telephone: 416-234-8800
Fax: 416-234-8820
Website: www.alliancept.org

Quebec Provincial Offices

Ordre des ergothérapeutes du Québec
2021 avenue Union, bureau 920
Montreal QC H3A 2S9
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Fax: 514-844-0478
Email: ergo@oeq.org
Website: www.oeq.org

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Website: www.oppq.qc.ca

International Offices

Please check websites of individual countries and states for specific licensing requirements.

13 Student Evaluation and Promotion

13.1 Degree Requirements for the Master of Science (Applied) – Occupational Therapy (M.Sc.A.OT.), and the Master of Science (Applied) – Physical Therapy (M.Sc.A.PT.)

Entry to professional practice requires the completion of an M.Sc.A.OT. or M.Sc.A.PT. Therefore, students who graduate from the Bachelor of Science in Rehabilitation (OT or PT) must continue to the MSc(A) OT or MSc(A) PT to obtain entry to professional practice.

Students who graduate with the B.Sc.Rehab.Sc. degree with the required cGPA of 3.0 or better may be considered for acceptance into the same discipline of the Master of Science (Applied) program that commences in the summer following graduation. For full details, refer to the Rules and Regulations documents at [School of Physical & Occupational Therapy > Occupational Therapy Program > Master of Science \(Applied\) in Occupational Therapy](#) and [School of Physical & Occupational Therapy > Physical Therapy Program > Master of Science \(Applied\) in Physical Therapy](#).

Entry to the MSc(A) OT or MSc(A) PT requires students to have a minimum cGPA of 3.0. Even when the cGPA requirement is attained, the Occupational Therapy Promotions and Review Committee (OTPRC) or the Physical Therapy Promotion and Review Committee (PTPRC) may recommend that a student not be admitted to the Master's program if, during the Bachelor's program, (i) the student has had 3 or more documented performance deficiencies (flags), with or without probationary status; or (ii) the student has not progressed sufficiently toward achievement of the required skills and attributes for entry to practice.

Students from McGill or elsewhere who do not hold the B.Sc.Rehab.Sc. - Major in Occupational or Physical Therapy degree must apply to the Master's program via a graduate Qualifying Year, or have the option to first apply to the undergraduate degree of B.Sc.Rehab.Sc. - Major in OT or PT and proceed to the M.Sc.A. degree in the same discipline.

For further details and other requirements, please refer to the [School of Physical & Occupational Therapy > Graduate & Postdoctoral Studies](#) section. For complete admissions information, refer to mcgill.ca/spot/programs/admissions.

Student Evaluation and Promotion MSc(A) OT and MSc(A) PT.

Academic matters are the jurisdiction of the Occupational Therapy Promotion and Review Committee (OTPRC) or the Physical Therapy Promotion and Review Committee (PTPRC). The OTPRC and the PTPRC review the academic record, professional conduct, and general performance of students throughout the Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy programs. It exercises final authority to determine a student's competence and suitability for the practice of occupational therapy or physical therapy and, hence, makes final decisions on all matters relating to promotion and graduation.

For complete rules and regulations regarding student promotions, along with the below resource documents, refer to the following School of Physical and Occupational Therapy program documents:

[School of Physical and Occupational Therapy > Physical Therapy Program > Master of Science \(Applied\) in Physical Therapy](#) or [School of Physical and Occupational Therapy > Occupational Therapy Program > Master of Science \(Applied\) in Occupational Therapy](#).

- Important Information for Students
- Rules and Regulations
- Curriculum
- Code of Conduct
- Essential Skills and Attributes
- Process-McGill's Office for Student Accessibility & Achievement
- Resources for learners

Students in Occupational Therapy or Physical Therap

You must successfully complete all the requirements of each promotion period before being permitted to enter the next promotion period. In order to be promoted to the next promotion period, a student must successfully complete all professional courses in each promotion period, as well as all requirements for inter-professional education courses.

The required minimum passing grade is a B- (65%) for all courses with the designation of OCC1, PHTH, and POTH. As well, for any course with the designation of OCC1, PHTH, or POTH, which comprises both individual and group evaluations, or both theoretical and practical evaluations, each student must pass every component in order to receive a passing grade for the course (the minimum passing grade is a B- (65%)).



Note: Courses with a Subject Code OCC1, PHTH, or POTH are reserved for students enrolled in programs within the School of Physical & Occupational Therapy.

No evaluation, examination mark, etc., shall be considered final until approved by the OTPRC or the PTPRC. Only final grades submitted on Minerva are the official McGill grades. myCourses (McGill's Learning Management system) is a tool but not the source for final grades.

For the purposes of evaluation, the curriculum is broken down into the following promotion periods:

QY:

Promotion Period 1 Fall September-December

Promotion Period 2 Winter January-April

M1 & M2:

Promotion Period 1 M1 Summer May-August

Promotion Period 2 M1 Fall September -December

Promotion Period 3 M1 Winter January-April

Promotion Period 4 M2 Fall - program completion (includes summer research project)

Failure Policy, Withdrawal, or Dismissal from the School of Physical & Occupational Therapy

When a student has failed one course, or one or more course components, or has been found to have been engaged in unethical or inappropriate conduct (i. e. unprofessional behaviour), the OTPRC or the PTPRC will automatically review the student's entire academic record and general performance.

A student will be withdrawn from the University, if the student fails two courses (i. e. two different courses, one failed course plus a failed repeat of the same course or one failed course and a failed supplemental exam for that course). The student's transcript will thereafter indicate that the student was withdrawn from the University.

Failing a course in a Qualifying Year is equivalent to failing a course in a graduate program, and counts as a first failed course if a student is subsequently admitted to a graduate program in a related field. For full details, refer to the [Graduate Studies Failure Policy Failure Policy / eCalendar - McGill University](#).

Academic offences such as plagiarism and cheating on examinations and unethical or inappropriate conduct are considered serious offences which could lead to dismissal from the program.

A student who engages in criminal actiOod 2 M1 F

documentation to the Program Director or delegate, as soon as possible and no later than one (1) week after the examination. Please refer to details in Rules and Regulations at [Occupational Therapy](#) or [Physical Therapy](#) and to [University Regulations & Resources](#).



N.B.: No supplemental examinations are available for students who did not receive the required passing grade in a course after writing a deferred examination.

14 Browse Academic Units & Programs

The programs and courses in the following sections have been approved for the 2022–2023 session as listed.

14.1 Physical and Occupational Therapy

14.1.1 Location

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Director's Academic Associate

14.1.2 About the School of Physical and Occupational Therapy

As part of McGill's Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences, we are proud of the outstanding academic environment we offer to our students. The School of Physical and Occupational Therapy is situated on McGill University's upper campus in the downtown area of the beautiful city of Montreal, Quebec.

The School offers **master's** and **doctorate** programs in three areas:

- Occupational Therapy
- Physical Therapy
- Rehabilitation Sciences

Two **graduate certificate** programs are also offered in Driving Rehabilitation and Chronic Pain Management.

The School is internationally recognized for the excellence of its contribution to research in rehabilitation. Excellence in research and teaching is the foundation and tradition of the School of Physical and Occupational Therapy at McGill University. The Faculty educates professionals and, through research, generates the body of knowledge that guides our professions to advance the health, function, and participation of the individual in society.

section 14.1.6: Master of Science (M.Sc.) Rehabilitation Science (Thesis) (45 credits)

The full curriculum consists of approximately two years of study for graduates who hold a B.Sc. degree in one of the medical rehabilitation disciplines or a related field. The program consists of required and elective coursework, a research proposal, and a research thesis.

section 14.1.7: Master of Science (M.Sc.) Rehabilitation Science (Non-Thesis) (45 credits)

The program requires three terms of full-time residence study and can usually be completed within three to four terms. It is designed for graduates who hold a B.Sc. (or equivalent) in Physical or Occupational Therapy or related health professions. Two years of clinical experience is recommended. The program trains health professionals to become consumers of research in order to promote evidence-based practice in rehabilitation science. The curriculum is made up of both required and elective courses and may also include a research project.

section 14.1.8: Master of Science, Applied (M.Sc.A.PT.) Physical Therapy (Non-Thesis) (63 credits)

The Master of Science, Applied, in Physical Therapy program is to be completed in 1.5 graduate years over five semesters, and includes four clinical practica of 1,050 hours in total, leading to professional licensure to practice. The educational approach is consistent with adult learning, self-directed learning, reflective clinical practice, and inter-professionalism. Strong links between academic and clinical fieldwork education are emphasized. Courses emphasize client-centred and evidence-based practice across the lifespan and health care continuum, and include health promotion from prevention of disability to rehabilitation. In addition to fieldwork, the program requirements include courses in advanced clinical practice, research methodology, and educational methodology. The master's project prepares the entry-to-practice physiotherapist to become an autonomous and effective professional through the acquisition of research skills. Entry to the Master of Science, Applied, in Physical Therapy is limited to internal candidates coming from the Bachelor of Rehabilitation Science (PT) and the Qualifying Year to the M.Sc.A. (PT).

section 14.1.9: Master of Science, Applied (M.Sc.A.OT.) Occupational Therapy (Non-Thesis) (63 credits)

The Master of Science (Applied) in Occupational Therapy program is to be completed in 1.5 years of graduate study over five semesters and includes a clinical practicum of 1,000 hours leading to professional licensure to practice. The educational approach is consistent with adult learning and reflective clinical practice. The curriculum uses a case-based, problem-solving, self-directed approach across the lifespan. Strong links between academic and clinical fieldwork education are emphasized throughout the educational process. Coursework will focus on client-centred and evidence-based practice, clinical reasoning, ethics, and professionalism as essential components for the development of a humanistic, ethical, knowledgeable, competent, critical thinking, and problem-solving Occupational Therapist. The master's project is designed to develop research and scholarly skills. Entry to the Master of Science, Applied, in Occupational Therapy is limited to internal candidates coming from the Bachelor of Rehabilitation Science (OT) and the Qualifying Year to the M.Sc.A. (OT).

section 14.1.10: Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) Rehabilitation Science

This program consists of three to four years of study, on average, for graduates with master's-level training in one of the medical rehabilitation disciplines or a related field. The program consists of required and elective coursework, a comprehensive written examination, a research proposal, a doctoral thesis, and an oral defence.

section 14.1.11: Graduate Certificate (Gr. Cert.) Driving Rehabilitation (15 credits)

The 15-credit postgraduate certificate program aims to train Occupational Therapists to assess the driving abilities and performance of at-risk populations, retrain driv

section 14.1.12: Graduate Certificate (Gr. Cert.) Chronic Pain Management (15 credits)

The 15-credit postgraduate certificate program aims to train healthcare professionals on the most recent and relevant approaches and technologies for the care and management of chronic pain with an interdisciplinary perspective. The program comprises four core courses offered online and one elective course, which can be online or a directed practicum.

14.1.3 Clinical Placements, Language, Vaccination, and CPR Requirements

Clinical hours necessary to obtain membership in both the national associations and provincial licensing bodies for each profession are included within the professional Master's programs (M.Sc.A. Occupational Therapy and M.Sc.A. Physical Therapy). This standard is compatible with the licensing requirements in other provinces where legislation is in force.

Working knowledge of both English and French is essential for students who will be working in clinical affiliations throughout the province of Quebec. French is the official language in Quebec and thus health and social services administered by the Ministry of Health are bound by the Charter of the French Language. This means that all health and social service institutions operate in French. Certain institutions have a bilingual mandate for patient care but team meetings and dealings with third party agencies operate in French only. Some of the clinical communication competencies you will exercise during your studies include: listening to a client or their family describe the reason for consulting, asking questions to learn more, explaining a condition in formal and informal terms, and communicating with other healthcare professionals such as doctors, nurses, physiotherapists. This could be in-person, on the phone, or with written documentation

As such, all applicants should be aware that any clinical placements in the province of Quebec require the ability to communicate (written and oral) in French. Refer to the details for the admission requirements of proof of French proficiency in the [Qualifying Year Admissions Guides](#).

Due to changes in out-of-province programs, increased enrollment, and continued pandemic-related restrictions, clinical practica will be taking place within the province of Quebec for the foreseeable future. Students must therefore possess the recommended minimum level of oral and written French, as outlined in the admission guides, prior to the start of clinical practica. Students who do not speak French will have limited clinical placement opportunities. This may result in delayed graduation from the program.

Valid CPR/AED Level (Health Care Provider) certification or equivalent is required prior to going into any of the clinical affiliation placements and must be maintained throughout the professional Master's program.

Vaccinations

Prior to starting their first clinical course, students registered in a health care program will need to ensure that they have completed all required series of immunisations prior to being placed in a clinical setting. We recommend starting the process as soon as possible as some vaccines may require you to follow immunisation schedules that last several months. Students must upload their immunization file to the Wellness portal in September of their U3 or Qualifying Year. Once their file is reviewed by the Wellness Hub, it can take several months for students to complete missing vaccinations. All vaccination requirements must be complete by March 1 of the U3 or Qualifying Year in preparation for the M1 Summer term of 2 clinical courses.

For complete details, consult the [Student Wellness Hub](#). Please also refer to the Vaccination/Immunisation Requirements for Health Sciences Programs in the Undergraduate eCalendar's section Health Sciences : [Student Services and Regulations](#).

14.1.4 Physical and Occupational Therapy Admission Requirements and Application Procedures

14.1.4.1 Admission Requirements

Language Requirements

Applicants to a graduate studies whose mother tongue is not English, and who have not completed an undergraduate or graduate de

5. A *GRE* (Graduate Records Examination) Test is recommended for the following applicants:

- those who do not have a B.Sc. or equivalent from a Canadian university;
- those who have been out of university for five years or more.

Only the GRE General Test is required.

Applicants must ensure that official test results are sent to McGill University directly by the testing service. Applications cannot be considered if test results are not available.

If a graduate student accepted into the Master of Science program demonstrates superior performance in the first year, the Graduate Committee, in consultation

2. Evidence of high academic achievement, equivalent to a B+ Standing, or a McGill CGPA of 3.3 (75–79%) is required;
3. Applicants must meet the language requirements listed above;
4. A *GRE* (Graduate Records Examination) Test is recommended for the following applicants:
 - those who do not have a B.Sc., M.Sc., or equivalent from a Canadian university;
 - those who have been out of university for five years or more.

Applicants must ensure that official test results are sent to McGill University directly by the testing service. Applications cannot be considered if test results are not available.

Graduate Certificate in Driving Rehabilitation

1. A B.Sc. degree or equivalent in Occupational Therapy or a related field from a university of recognized reputation;
2. Evidence of high academic achievement, equivalent to a B Standing or a McGill CGPA of 3.0 (70–74%);
3. See points 3, 4, and 5 under M.Sc. in Rehabilitation Science (Thesis) above for more information on prerequisites, TOEFL, and GRE.

Graduate Certificate in Chronic Pain Management

1. A B.Sc. degree or equivalent in a health-related discipline from a university of recognized reputation;
2. Evidence of high academic achievement, equivalent to a B standing or a McGill CGPA of 3.0 (70–74%);
3. See points 3, 4, and 5 under M.Sc. in Rehabilitation Science (Thesis) above for more information on prerequisites, TOEFL, and GRE.

14.1.4.2 Application Procedures

McGill's online application form for graduate program candidates is available at mcgill.ca/gradapplicants/apply.

See [University Regulations & Resources](#) > [Graduate](#) > [Graduate Admissions and Application Procedures](#) > : [Application Procedures](#) for detailed application procedures.

14.1.4.2.1 Additional Requirements

The items and clarifications below are additional requirements set by this department:

- Curriculum vitae
- *GRE* – recommended for M.Sc. in Rehabilitation Science (Thesis and Non-Thesis) and Ph.D. in Rehabilitation Science for applicants who do not have a B.Sc., or equivalent, from a Canadian university, or those who have been out of university for five years or more. Only the GRE General Test is required.
- Two years of clinical experience – recommended for M.Sc. in Rehabilitation Science (Non-Thesis).

14.1.4.3 Application Dates and Deadlines

Application opening dates are set by Enrolment Services in consultation with Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies (GPS), while application deadlines are set by the School of Physical & Occupational Therapy and may be revised at any time. Applicants must verify all deadlines and documentation requirements well in advance on the appropriate McGill departmental website; please consult the list at mcgill.ca/gps/contact/graduate-program.

MSc(A) OT and MSc(A) PT, and Qualifying Year MSc(A)				
	Application Opening Dates		Application Deadlines	
	All Applicants	Non-Canadian citizens (incl. Special, Visiting & Exchange)	Canadian citizens/Perm. residents of Canada (incl. Special, Visiting & Exchange)	Current McGill Students (any citizenship)
Fall Term: (*Qualifying Year for the MSc(A) OT or MSc(A) PT <i>only</i>)	Sept. 15*	Jan. 15*	Feb. 11*	Feb. 11*
Winter Term:	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Summer Term: (** MSc(A) O8 251rw O	Sept. 15**	Jan. 15**	Jan 15**	Jan 15**

MSc and PhD Rehabilitation Science

	Application Opening Dates		Application Deadlines	
	All Applicants	Non-Canadian citizens (incl. Special, Visiting & Exchange)	Canadian citizens/Perm. residents of Canada (incl. Special, Visiting & Exchange)	Current McGill Students (any citizenship)
F	Sept. 15	Jan. 31	Jan. 31	Jan. 31

Associate Professors (Professional)

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Faculty Lecturers

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Academic Associate

Monica Slanik

Adjunct Professors and Associate Members

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14.1.6 Master of Science (M.Sc.) in Rehabilitation Science (Thesis) (52 credits)

The M.Sc. in Rehabilitation Science; Thesis program focuses on interdisciplinary research related to health and rehabilitation. The program provides training in the use of methodologies for knowledge synthesis and for designing and conducting research studies in rehabilitation. A major component of the program is the development and implementation of an individualized thesis project in a specialized area of interest in health and rehabilitation (e.g., brain, education, global health, musculoskeletal, heart and lung, mental health and pain).

Thesis Courses (29 credits)

POTH 696	(2)	Thesis Research
POTH 697	(6)	Thesis Research 1
POTH 698	(9)	Thesis Research 2
POTH 699	(12)	Thesis Research 3

Required Courses (10 credits)

POTH 609	(3)	Qualitative Research in Rehabilitation Science
POTH 610	(4)	Research Methodology
POTH 614	(3)	Selected Topics in Rehabilitation Science
POTH 617	(0)	Knowledge Synthesis in Rehabilitation Seminar

Complementary Courses (3 credits)

3 credits of the following:

Introduction to the English Language (e.g., bra Reh9Ana MarOr /F1 8.1 Tf1 ad.1 Tf1 0 0 1 27.71ra Reh9Ana Mar/F1Tj

Required Courses (25 credits)

POTH 610	(4)	Research Methodology
POTH 614	(3)	Selected Topics in Rehabilitation Science
POTH 617	(0)	Knowledge Synthesis in Rehabilitation Seminar
POTH 628	(3)	Introduction to Regression Analysis
POTH 661	(7)	Research Project 1
POTH 662	(8)	Research Project 2

Complementary Courses (20 credits)

20 credits of courses that pertain to the student's area of specialization; to be chosen from the School course offerings or other courses at the 500, 600 or 700 level with permission from the Graduate Program Director.

14.1.8 Master of Science, Applied (M.Sc.A.PT.) Physical Therapy (Non-Thesis) (63 credits)

The Master of Science, Applied, in Physical Therapy is a 62-credit program to be completed in 1.5 graduate years over five semesters, and includes four clinical practica of 1,050 hours in total, leading to professional licensure to practice. The educational approach is consistent with adult learning, self-directed learning, reflective clinical practice, and inter-professionalism. Strong links between academic and clinical fieldwork education are emphasized. Courses emphasize client-centred and evidence-based practice across the lifespan and health care continuum, and include health promotion from prevention of disability to rehabilitation. In addition to fieldwork, the program requirements include courses in advanced clinical practice, research methodology, and educational methodology. The master's project prepares the entry-to-practice physiotherapist to become an autonomous and effective professional through the acquisition of research skills.

For additional information on courses taken during the Qualifying year, please refer to this website: <http://www.mcgill.ca/spot/programs/pt/curriculum>.

Students admitted to the M.Sc.A. who have undergraduate degrees other than the B.Sc.(Rehabilitation Science); Major in Physical Therapy from McGill University will be required to complete a Qualifying year of study, prior to beginning the master's program.

Required Courses (57 credits)

IPEA 502	(0)	Patient-Centred Care in Action
IPEA 503	(0)	Managing Interprofessional Conflict
PHTH 571	(7)	PT Clinical Practicum 1
PHTH 572	(7)	PT Clinical Practicum 2
PHTH 573	(8)	PT Clinical Practicum 3
PHTH 606	(2)	Introduction to Pediatric Physical Therapy
PHTH 620	(7)	PT Clinical Practicum 4
PHTH 622	(3)	Integrated Pain Management
PHTH 623	(4)	Differential Diagnosis and Management
PHTH 652	(3)	Integrated Clinical Exercise Rehabilitation
POTH 602	(3)	Advanced Educational and Management Strategies
POTH 612	(4)	Applied Clinical Research Methods
POTH 624	(7)	Master's Project
POTH 682	(2)	Promoting Healthy Activity

Complementary Courses (6 credits)

6 credits from the following:

PHTH 641	(3)	Topics in Cardiorespiratory Rehabilitation
PHTH 645	(3)	Pelvic Floor Rehabilitation
PHTH 661	(3)	Sport Physiotherapy
PHTH 662	(3)	Advanced Manual Therapy

POTH 508	(3)	Plasticity in Rehabilitation
POTH 604	(3)	Current Topics in Pediatrics
POTH 625D1*	(1.5)	Design of Assistive Technologies: Principles
POTH 625D2*	(1.5)	Design of Assistive Technologies: Principles
POTH 636	(3)	Physical Therapy in Pediatrics
POTH 637	(3)	Cancer Rehabilitation
POTH 639	(3)	Motor Control
POTH 685	(3)	Perception and Action

* Students must take both POTH 625D1 and 625D2

NOTE: Interprofessional Education Activities (IPEAs)

These required non-credit activities address the competencies for interprofessional practice across the health professions such as professional roles, communication, collaboration in patient-centered care, and conflict resolution. Students will be advised at the beginning of each term which activities they should register for.

14.1.9 Master of Science, Applied (M.Sc.A.OT.) Occupational Therapy (Non-Thesis) (63 credits)

The Master of Science(Applied) in Occupational Therapy; Non-Thesis is a professional program that may lead to eligibility for licensure to practice as an Occupational Therapist. It is a 63-credit degree program that includes 1000 hours of fieldwork education over five semesters. The educational approach is consistent with adult learning and reflective clinical practice. The curriculum uses a case-based, problem-solving, self-directed approach across the lifespan. Strong links between academic and clinical fieldwork education are emphasized throughout the educational process. Focus on client-centered and evidence-informed practice, clinical reasoning, ethics and professionalism. The Master's project focuses on research skills and scholarly contribution to health care delivery or clinical education.

Required Courses (60 credits)

IPEA 502	(0)	Patient-Centred Care in Action
IPEA 503	(0)	Managing Interprofessional Conflict
OCC1 501	(7)	Clinical Practicum 1
OCC1 502	(7)	Clinical Practicum 2
OCC1 503	(8)	Clinical Practicum 3
OCC1 600J1	(0)	Clinical Practicum Seminars
OCC1 600J2	(0)	Clinical Practicum Seminars
OCC1 600J3	(0)	Clinical Practicum Seminars
OCC1 602	(7)	Clinical Practicum 4
OCC1 617	(6)	Occupational Solutions 2
OCC1 618	(5)	Applied OT: Psychosocial Theory
OCC1 620	(3)	Work/Ergonomics
OCC1 622	(3)	Community-Based OT
OCC1 623	(3)	Assistive Technology
POTH 612	(4)	Applied Clinical Research Methods
POTH 624	(7)	Master's Project

Complementary Courses (3 credits)

3 credits chosen from the following courses offered by the School. With permission from the Academic Director, students may take courses offered at the 500 or 600 levels by other departments at McGill.

OCC1 625	(3)	Functional Environments
OCC1 626	(3)	Mental Health: Child and Youth
POTH 625D1*	(1.5)	Design of Assistive Technologies: Principles

POTH 625D2*	(1.5)	Design of Assistive Technologies: Principles
POTH 627	(3)	Enabling Eating, Drinking, and Swallowing
POTH 632	(3)	Research Elective
POTH 633	(3)	Function/Activity in Arthritis
POTH 634	(3)	Childhood Performance Issues
POTH 635	(3)	Enabling Upper Extremity Function
POTH 636	(3)	Physical Therapy in Pediatrics
POTH 637	(3)	Cancer Rehabilitation
POTH 638	(3)	Promoting Wellness of Seniors
PO	(3)	Role-Emerging Management

3-6 credits of School course offerings, at the 500, 600, or 700 level, that pertain to the student's area of specialization, to be chosen in consultation with the Graduate Program Director.

14.1.11 Graduate Certificate (Gr. Cert.) Driving Rehabilitation (15 credits)

For more information about online graduate certificates, including up-to-date information on course details and current professors contributing to the courses, see the McGill School of Physical and Occupational Therapy website at <http://www.mcgill.ca/spot/programs/online-graduate-certificates/driving-certificate>.

Required Courses (15 credits)

POTH 673	(3)	Screening for at Risk Drivers
POTH 674	(3)	Assessing Driving Ability 1
POTH 675	(3)	Driving Assessment Practicum
POTH 676	(3)	Adaptive Equipment and Driving
POTH 677	(3)	Retraining Driving Skills

Note: POTH 673 and 674 are offered online, whereas POTH 675, POTH 676, and POTH 677 have both online components and intensive workshops.

14.1.12 Graduate Certificate (Gr. Cert.) Chronic Pain Management (15 credits)

For more information about online graduate certificates including up-to-date information on course details and current professors contributing to the courses, see the McGill School of Physical and Occupational Therapy website at <http://www.mcgill.ca/spot/programs/online-graduate-certificates/chronic-pain-management>.

For more information on the distance program please click here:

https://www.mcgill.ca/study/university_regulations_and_resources/graduate/gi_regulations_id_and_personal_information#booknode-61130

Required Courses (12 credits)

POTH 663	(3)	Pain Assessment in Clinical Practice
POTH 664	(3)	Neuroscience and Behavioural Perspectives of Pain
POTH 665	(3)	Interdisciplinary Management of Chronic Pain
POTH 666	(3)	Common Clinical Pain Syndromes

Complementary Courses (3 credits)

One of:

POTH 603	(3)	Directed Practicum
POTH 618	(3)	Topics in Rehabilitation

or another 500-level or higher course (online or not) from a different university, as approved by the Graduate Certificate Program Chair.

NOTE: POTH 603 and POTH 618 are not online courses. They are directed tutorial courses that need pre-approval from the Graduate Certificate Program Chair. Students are encouraged to plan such courses with the instructor at least one semester before intended enrolment. For a complementary course at a different university, consult university regulation and resources for further information on transfer credits prior to enrolment.